**Updated information**

Unfortunately Bild-Kunst is currently not able to meet obligations to pay out the proceeds of collective rights within 9 months after closing the respective year of usage as provided for by law and the distribution plan. Thus the collective distribution of amounts for 2020 should have taken place on 30th September 2021.

There are several reasons for this delay:

» In mid-2019 VG Bild-Kunst started a major project to renew its complete IT infrastructure. This project requires considerable staff resources. Due to time delays it will presumably be finished by the end of 2022 only.

» Currently distributions are still being made based upon the old software. Due to staffing shortage distributions cannot be executed parallel but only one by one.

Furthermore Bild-Kunst is in arrears due to the accumulated delays namely the collective distributions 2019 have also been executed behind time. This led to the fact, that data for 2020 couldn’t be edited in due time which would have been necessary for a punctual distribution.

Nevertheless Bild-Kunst will presumably be able to distribute the amounts for 2020 clearly faster than amounts for 2019 and thus reduce the arrears considerably. It is planned to execute a bigger part of the distributions until the end of the first quarter 2022.