## SCHEDULE 14A (Rule 14a-101) INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROXY STATEMENT

# SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

## Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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- o Preliminary Proxy Statement
- o Definitive Proxy Statement
- Definitive Additional Materials
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Xylem Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

(Name of Person(s) Filing Proxy Statement, if other than the Registrant)

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WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF INTERNET OR TELEPHONE VOTING. BOTH ARE AVAILABLE 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK.

Internet and telephone voting are available through 11:59 PM (ET) the day before the Annual Meeting. Your Internet or telephone vote authorizes the named proxies to vote the shares in the same manner as if you marked, signed and returned your proxy card. If you vote your proxy by Internet or by telephone, you do not need to mail back your proxy card.

## VOTE BY INTERNET - www.proxyvote.com

Use the Internet to vote your proxy. Have your proxy card in hand when you access the website.

#### VOTE BY TELEPHONE - 1-800-690-6903

Use any touch-tone telephone to vote your proxy. Have your proxy card in hand when you call.

#### VOTE BY MAIL

Mark, sign and date your proxy card and return it in the postage-paid envelope we have provided or return it to Vote Processing, c/o Broadridge, 51 Mercedes Way, Edgewood, NY 11717.

## ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF FUTURE PROXY MATERIALS

If you would like to reduce the costs incurred by our company in mailing proxy materials, you can consent to receiving all future proxy statements, proxy cards and annual reports electronically via e-mail or the Internet. To sign up for electronic delivery, please follow the instructions above to vote using the Internet and, when prompted, indicate that you agree to receive or access proxy materials electronically in future years.

TO VOTE, MARK BLOCKS BELOW IN BLUE OR BLACK INK AS FOLLOWS:

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KEEP THIS PORTION FOR YOUR RECORDS

### THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED. DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION ONLY

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<b>1</b> a	Jeanne Believeu-Dunn				2	Ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as our				
1b	Curtis J. Crawford, Ph.D.					Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for 2018.				
<b>1</b> c	Patrick K. Decker				3	Advisory vote to approval the compensation of our named executive officers.				
1d	Robert F. Friel						1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	Abstain
<b>1</b> e	Victoria D. Harker				4	Advisory vote on the frequency of future advisory votes to approve named executive compensation.				
1f	Sten E. Jakobsson									
1g	Steven R. Loranger					THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS RECOMMENDS A VOTE "AGAINST" PROPOSAL 5				
1h	Surya N. Mohapatra, Ph.D							For	Against	Abstain
1i	Jerome A. Peribere				5	Shareholder proposal to lower threshold for shareholders to call				
<b>1</b> j	Markos I. Tambakeras					special meetings from 25% to 10% of Company stock, if properly presented at the meeting.				
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## ADMISSION TICKET

Annual Meeting of Shareholders Wednesday, May 9, 2018, 11:00 a.m. (ET) Xylem Headquarters 1 International Drive Rye Brook, NY 10573

## If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting, please bring this Admission Ticket with you.

**Note:** If you plan to attend the Annual Meeting of Shareholders, please indicate your intention by marking the appropriate box on the attached proxy card and please bring a proper form of identification. For directions, please call 914-323-5700. The use of video, still photography or audio recording at the Annual Meeting is not permitted. For the safety of attendees, all bags, packages and briefcases are subject to inspection. Your compliance is appreciated.

# SEC PROXY ACCESS NOTICE

Important Notice Regarding the Internet Availability of Proxy Materials for the Shareholder Meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. (ET) at Xylem Headquarters, 1 International Drive, Rye Brook, NY 10573: The proxy materials for Xylem Inc.'s 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, including the 2017 Annual Report and 2018 Notice and Proxy Statement are available on the Internet at www.proxyvote.com.

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### PROXY SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF XYLEM INC. FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS TO BE HELD ON MAY 9, 2018.

The shareholder(s) whose signature(s) appear(s) on the reverse side of this proxy form hereby appoint(s) Hannah Skeete and Claudia Toussaint, or either of them, each with full power of substitution as proxies, to vote all shares of Xylem Inc. common stock that the shareholder(s) would be entitled to vote on all matters that may properly come before the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements. The proxies are authorized to vote in accordance with the specifications indicated by the shareholder(s) on the reverse side of this form. If this form is signed and returned by the shareholder(s), and no specifications are indicated, the proxies are authorized to vote as recommended by the Board of Directors. In either case, if this form is signed and returned, the proxies thereby will be authorized to vote in their discretion on any other matters that may be presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements.

### For participants in a Xylem Retirement Savings Plan:

Under the savings plans, participants are "named fiduciaries" to the extent of their authority to direct the voting of Xylem Inc. shares credited to their savings plan account and their proportionate share of allocated shares for which no direction is received and unallocated shares, if any (together, "Undirected Shares"). Participants under these plans should mail their confidential voting instruction card to Broadridge, acting as tabulation agent, or vote by Phone or Internet. Instructions must be received by Broadridge before 11:59 p.m. (ET), on May 4, 2018. The trustee of the savings plan will vote Undirected Shares in the same proportion as the shares for which directions are received from participants, in the same savings plan, except as otherwise provided in accordance with ERISA. By submitting voting instructions by telephone or Internet, or by signing and returning this voting instruction card, you direct the trustee of the savings plan to vote these shares, in person or by proxy, as designated herein, at the Annual Meeting.

The Trustee will exercise its discretion in voting on any other matter that may be presented for a vote at the Annual Meeting and at any adjournments or postponements.

Address Changes/Comments:

(If you noted any Address Changes/Comments above, please mark corresponding box on the reverse side.)

## (Continued, and to be dated and signed on the reverse side.)