

## **BORSA ITALIANA - STAR segment**

## PRESS RELEASE

## PRIMA INDUSTRIE STARTS BUYBACK PROGRAM

Collegno (TO), November 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 - Prima Industrie S.p.A. announces the launch, today, of the share buyback program, as per art. 5 of the Regulation (EU) n. 596/2014, in execution of the resolution of the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on 20 April 2018, which authorized the purchase, in one or more times, for a period of eighteen months, of ordinary shares of Prima Industrie S.p.A. for a maximum number of shares equal to 300,000, or for a maximum purchase value of 12 million euro, authorizing the disposal of treasury shares, in one or more times, without time limits, in the manner deemed most appropriate in the interest of the Company and in compliance with the applicable law.

The Shareholders' Meeting resolution established that:

- the shares can be assigned free of charge to share incentive plans and to service distributions to shareholders, also in the form of dividends; in particular, the shares may be allocated to serve the "2018-2020 Share Based Incentive Plan", for the part in favor of directors of the company and of the subsidiaries, as resolved by the aforementioned Shareholders' Meeting of 20 April 2018.
- The shares may be used for the purpose of carrying out market liquidity support activities.

All purchases will be made in accordance with art. 144-bis, paragraph 1, of Consob Regulation no. 11971/1999. In particular, purchases on the market will be made in accordance with procedures established by Borsa Italiana S.p.A. that do not allow direct matching of offers to buy with offers to sell. In any case all purchase will be carried out in compliance with market practices allowed by Consob (resolution no. 16839 of March 19, 2009) and with the additional provisions of law and regulations applicable to this type of transaction.

As of today the Company does not hold any treasury shares, even indirectly.

**PRIMA INDUSTRIE** heads a leading Group in developing, manufacturing and marketing of laser systems for industrial applications, sheet metal processing machinery, as well as industrial electronics and laser technologies.

The parent company Prima Industrie S.p.A. is listed on the Italian Stock Exchange since 1999 (MTA- STAR segment).

With 40 years of experience the Group can count on about 13,000 machines installed in more than 80 countries worldwide and is among the main worldwide manufacturers in its own reference market.

The Group has about 1,800 employees and manufacturing sites in Italy (PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A, PRIMA ELECTRO S.p.A), Finland (FINN-POWER Oy), USA (Convergent Photonics Llc, PRIMA POWER LASERDYNE Llc.) and China (PRIMA POWER SUZHOU Co. Ltd.). Remarkable is as well its direct commercial and after-sales presence in BRIC, NAFTA, European Union and other emerging Asian countries.

The Prima Industrie Group is structured on 2 Business Units:

Laser and sheet metal processing machines (Prima Power): including design, manufacturing and marketing of:

- Laser machines for cutting, welding and drilling of 3D and 2D components.
- Machines for sheet metal treatment by means of mechanical tools (punching machines, combined punching/shearing systems, combined punching/laser cutting systems, panel benders and automation systems).

<u>Industrial electronics and laser technologies (Prima Electro):</u> including development, manufacturing and marketing of power and control electronics, and of high-power laser sources for industrial applications, destined both to the Group machines and to third parties.

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