



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### ***NUOVO MERCATO –TECHSTAR Segment***

#### **PRIMA INDUSTRIE**

*Torino, June 14, 2005* – The Boards of Directors of Prima Industrie S.p.A., a leader company in the high-technology sector of laser systems for industrial applications, after announcing on June 7 the start of the process of merger with incorporation of Fidia S.p.A, leader in the technology of numerical controls and integrated systems for calculating, scanning and milling complex shapes, resolved today:

- The appointment of Banca Intesa as financial advisor for both companies, in charge of assist the Boards of Directors of the two companies in assessing a fair swap price
- The appointment of Terra Nova Partners as advisor for both companies in charge of assisting the two parties in the other relevant merger aspects
- The appointment of Studio Toso, Weigmann e Associati as legal advisor for both parties.

**Prima Industrie**, listed on the Nuovo Mercato of the Italian Stock Exchange since 1999, and on TechSTAR since March 2004, develops, manufactures and markets high-power laser systems for cutting, welding and drilling of three-dimensional (3D) and bi-dimensional (2D) parts. Prima Industrie, established in 1977, leads a Group with over 450 employees, with manufacturing facilities in Italy (Prima Industrie S.p.A. and Prima Electronics S.p.A.); USA (Prima North America Inc.) and China (Shanghai Unity Prima Ltd. and Shenyang Prima Laser Machine Company Ltd.), and provided with a very wide sales network in over 40 countries. At the moment the Group boasts over 1,000 customers in the automotive, aerospace and in a wide range of other industries, with more than 1,800 systems installed worldwide.

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