



**PRESS RELEASE**

***ITALIAN STOCK EXCHANGE – STAR SEGMENT***

**PRIMA INDUSTRIE**

**PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.P.A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
CALLS THE EXTRAORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING TO ASK FOR  
THE POWERS TO CARRY OUT, ALSO IN SEVERAL TRANCHES AND  
WITH MODALITIES TO BE DEFINED,  
A SHARE CAPITAL INCREASE FOR A TOTAL MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF 50 MILLION EUROS  
(INCLUDING SHARE PREMIUM)**

*Collegno (TO), 29 April 2009* – The Board of Directors of PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A., a leader in high technology laser systems for industrial applications and sheet metal working systems, resolved to call the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting.

The Board, in fact, intends to propose to the Shareholders' Meeting the grant of powers to increase the company share capital, pursuant to articles 2441 e 2443 civil code, through the issuing of ordinary shares and/or warrants, as well as powers to issue convertible bonds and/or with warrants according to article 2420 ter c.c., to be offered in option to those having the right.

The Board of Directors also proposes to ask for the powers to increase the company share capital up to a maximum of 10% of the existing share capital according to art. 2443 c.c., with the exclusion of the option right according to art. 2441, fourth paragraph second sentence c.c. and pursuant to art. 8, second paragraph, second sentence of the company by-laws.

In any case the capital increase resulting from the use of the above mentioned powers will not exceed the total amount of Euro 50,000,000.00 (including possible share premium)

The Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting has been called on June 5 (1<sup>st</sup> call), June 8 (2<sup>nd</sup> call) and, if needed, on June 9 (3<sup>rd</sup> call).

L'Assemblea Straordinaria degli Azionisti è convocata per i giorni 5 giugno (1° convocazione), 8 giugno (2° convocazione), e, occorrendo, 9 giugno (3° convocazione).

The documents relevant to Shareholders' Meeting agenda is available at the Company Registered Office and on the company website [www.primaindustrie.com](http://www.primaindustrie.com); the shareholders can examine and make copy of these documents.

In order to attend the Shareholders' Meeting will have to show the relevant certification released by their financial institutions at least two days before the day of the Shareholders' Meeting on first call, according to article 12 of the company by-laws.

The proxy form to take part in the Shareholders' Meeting can be found on the company website under the section Investors / Information for the Shareholders.



**PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A.**, established in 1977 and listed on the Italian stock market since 1999 (STAR segment), develops, manufactures and markets laser systems for industrial applications and sheet metal fabrication machines. PRIMA INDUSTRIE leads today a Group with about 1,600 employees and manufacturing sites in **Italy** (PRIMA INDUSTRIE S.p.A, PRIMA ELECTRONICS S.p.A, OSAI S.p.A., FINN-POWER Italia Srl), **Finland** (FINN-POWER Oy), **USA** (PRIMA North America Inc.) and **China** (Shanghai Unity Prima Ltd. and Wuhan OVL Convergent Laser Co. Ltd.).

Prima Industrie Group operations are based on three business segments:

**Laser Machines and Sources**: including design, production and sale of Laser Machines and Laser Sources for cutting, welding and drilling of 3D and 2D components.

2D Laser Machines are used for application in very different industries, while 3D machines are mainly used for the production of components in the automotive, aerospace and energy sectors. Laser Sources, instead, are one of the most highest technological and value-added components of the Laser Machine.

**Machines for sheet metal treatment**: it includes design, production and sale of Machines destined to the Sheet metal treatment using mechanical tools. The Group has a wide range of machines for the cutting and bending of sheet metal: Punching machines, Combined punching/shearing systems, Combined punching/laser cutting systems, Panel Benders and automation systems.

**Industrial Electronics**: it includes development and design of power and control electronics, with relevant software. Furthermore the Group designs and produces internally the Numeric Controls to be installed on its own Laser Machines.

A little over 30 year years since its establishment the Group can count on thousands of machines installed in more than 60 countries worldwide, is present with property commercial and assistance units in over 15 countries and it is among the main worldwide constructors in its own reference market.

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