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## SAES Getters S.p.A.: approval of the corporate merger of the wholly owned subsidiary SAES Advanced Technologies S.p.A. into SAES Getters S.p.A.

Following the press release issued on June 23, 2016, it is noted that today the Board of Directors of SAES Getters S.p.A. and the Board of Directors of the subsidiary SAES Advanced Technologies S.p.A. approved the corporate merger of the wholly owned subsidiary SAES Advanced Technologies S.p.A. into SAES Getters S.p.A.

The merger will produce no equity, economic or financial effect into the Group's consolidated financial statements, nor will provide any share swap, being the incorporated company already wholly owned by SAES Getters S.p.A.

After the required time limits may be invoked by third parties, the corporate merger agreement will be completed, signed off and deposited for its filing in the Italian Corporate Register of the two companies participating in the merger. The merger will produce its legal effects at the date established in the merger agreement.

The transaction will allow an improved optimization of the Group's industrial policy, as part of an aggregating process aimed at improving and integrating the Group's Italian manufacturing factories, simplifying their business processes and R&D activities. At the same time, the merger aims at the optimization of the financial flows and at the improvement of the equity structure, thanks to the streamlining of the corporate structure, as well as to the strengthening of the market presence and of the competitiveness of the Parent Company.

Finally, it should be noted that today the Board of Directors of SAES Getters S.p.A. approved the updated version of the Code of Conduct for Internal Dealing.

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The Officer responsible for the preparation of corporate financial reports of SAES Getters S.p.A. certifies that, in accordance with the second subsection of article 154-*bis*, part IV, title III, second paragraph, section V-*bis*, of Legislative Decree February 24, 1998, no. 58, the financial information included in the present document corresponds to book of account and book-keeping entries.

The Officer responsible for the preparation of corporate financial reports Michele Di Marco

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## **SAES Group**

A pioneer in the development of getter technology, the SAES® Group is the world leader in a variety of scientific and industrial applications where stringent vacuum conditions or ultra-pure gases are required. In more than 70 years of activity, the Group's getter solutions have been supporting innovation in the information display and lamp industries, in sophisticated high vacuum systems and in vacuum thermal insulation, in technologies spanning from large vacuum power tubes to miniaturized silicon-based microelectronic and micromechanical devices. The Group also holds a leading position in ultra-pure gas refinement for the semiconductor and other high-tech markets.

Starting in 2004, by leveraging the core competencies in special metallurgy and in the materials science, the SAES Group has expanded its business into the advanced material markets, in particular the market of shape memory alloys, a family of materials characterized by super elasticity and by the property of assuming predefined forms when subjected to heat treatment. These special alloys, which today are mainly applied in the biomedical sector, are also perfectly suited to the realization of actuator devices for the industrial sector (domotics, white goods industry, consumer electronics and automotive sector).

More recently, SAES has expanded its business by developing components whose getter functions, traditionally obtained from the exploitation of the special features of some metals, are instead generated by chemical processes. Thanks to these new developments, SAES is evolving, adding to its competencies in the field of special metallurgy also those of organic chemicals.

A total production capacity distributed in eleven facilities, a worldwide-based sale & service network and about 1,000 employees allow the Group to combine multicultural skills and expertise to form a truly global enterprise.

SAES Group is headquartered in the Milan area (Italy).

SAES Getters S.p.A. is listed on the Italian Stock Exchange Market, STAR segment, since 1986.

More information on the SAES Group are available in the website www.saesgetters.com.

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