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# THE EXTRAORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING APPROVED THE AMENDMENT TO ART. 11 OF THE COMPANY'S BY-LAWS WITH THE INCREASE OF THE VOTING RIGHT FOR HOLDERS OF ORDINARY SHARES HELD FOR AT LEAST 24 MONTHS ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS

The Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of SAES Getters S.p.A., convened today in Lainate (MI), approved the amendment to art. 11 of the Company's By-Laws, with the introduction of the increase of the voting right and the assignment of two votes for each ordinary share of the Company held for a period of at least 24 months on a continuous basis, according to law n. 116, dated August 11, 2014 and of art. 127-quinquies of the TUF. This increase is not extended to the holders of savings shares, as they do not have any voting right, nor the right to attend the shareholders' meetings.

The approved increase is the maximum extent allowed by art. 127-quinquies of the TUF, namely the allotment of a maximum of two votes for each ordinary share held of at least 24 months on a continuous basis from the date of its registration in a List established by the Company. In order to obtain the increase of the votes, it will also be necessary to provide a special certificate issued by the Intermediary, upon request of the holder of the share, stating the uninterrupted ownership of the share for 24 months.

The registration in the List will take place upon request of the holder of the share to the Company and following a communication of the Intermediary, certifying the legitimacy of the registration.

The introduction of the increase of the voting right will help to support the Company's growth by encouraging the medium-long term investment in the share capital of the Company and thus the stability of the shareholding structure, which has always been a strength and it is in line with mid-long term interests of the Company.

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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 ten facilities, a worldwide-based sale & service network and nearly 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.

 $More\ information\ on\ the\ SAES\ Group\ are\ available\ in\ the\ website\ {\it www.saesgetters.com}.$ 

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