

NOVOMATIC achieves highest turnover since the Group's formation

Gumpoldskirchen, April 29, 2016 – In fiscal year 2015, NOVOMATIC AG, Europe's largest gaming technology group, recruited some 1,900 new employees and was able to increase its turnover by 5.5% to a new record high of more than EUR 2 billion.

According to the company's annual financial report that was officially published today on the ÖKB (Österreichische Kontrollbank) website, the NOVOMATIC AG Group was able to generate the highest turnover in its 35-year history. The revenue for the past fiscal year 2015 amounted to EUR 2,086.3 million, which corresponds to an increase of 5.5%. The largest gains were generated from proceeds in the area of gaming technology rentals, which increased by 7.9% to EUR 594.7 million. The EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization) reached EUR 616.7 million (2014: EUR 647.4 m). In fiscal year 2015, the NOVOMATIC AG Group employed 20,188 staff members – an increase of 10.4%. The growth dynamic of the NOVOMATIC AG Group is further documented by the fact that the number of fully consolidated companies increased from 178 to 188 during fiscal year 2015.

Harald Neumann, NOVOMATIC CEO, said: "This annual result is proof of the successful implementation of our strategy to cover all the segments of the international gaming industry as a full-service supplier and to further extend our market share in key European gaming markets such as Spain, UK and Italy." In Spain, NOVOMATIC has developed a strong presence based on its successful duality strategy with the take-over of the third-largest manufacturer GiGames and the acquisition of several arcade operations. In the UK, Playnation, a renowned operator in the amusement segment operating some 20,000 amusement machines in over 1,700 locations, was acquired.

The accumulated turnover of the NOVOMATIC Group – comprising the NOVOMATIC AG Group as well as the two Swiss sister holding companies ACE Casino Holding AG and Gryphon Invest AG – amounted to a record level of EUR 3,929 million in 2015 (2014: EUR 3,827 m). The NOVOMATIC Group employs more than 24,000 staff worldwide, of which 3,300 from 78 countries are located in Austria.

About NOVOMATIC:

The NOVOMATIC Group is one of the biggest international producers and operators of gaming technologies and employs more than 24,000 staff worldwide. Founded by entrepreneur Professor Johann F. Graf in 1980, the Group has locations in more than 50 countries and exports high-tech electronic gaming equipment and solutions to 80 countries. The Group operates more than 235,000 gaming terminals in its some 1,600 plus gaming operations as well as via rental concepts.

Through its numerous international subsidiaries, the NOVOMATIC Group is fully active in all segments of the gaming industry and thus offers a diversified omni-channel product portfolio to its partners and clients around the world. This product range includes land-based gaming products and services, management systems and cash management, online/mobile and social gaming solutions, as well as lottery and sports betting solutions, together with a range of sophisticated ancillary products and services.

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