

## PRESS RELEASE

First half 2003 results

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First half 2003 : Operating margin: 7.6% Net profit: 2.2 million euros

| (in millions of euros)     | H1 2003    | H1 2002    | 2002 |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|------|
| Revenues                   | 46.8       | 45.4       | 92.6 |
| Operating profit           | 3.6 (7.6%) | 3.9 (8.6%) | 9.7  |
| Financial profit           | 0.4        | 0.5        | 1.0  |
| Extraordinary profit       | 0.0        | 0.0        | 0.0  |
| Net profit before goodwill | 2.7 (5.7%) | 2.8 (6.2%) | 7.0  |
| Net profit after goodwill  | 2.2 (4.6%) | 2.4 (5.2%) | 5.6  |

During the first half, even if service revenues rose organically by 2.7%, the environment (market, prices, competition) was, as announced, not inductive to maintaining operating margin, even if at 7.6% it is higher than margin for the sector. The number of staff remained stable (1,204 employees) and turnover is at an all-time low.

## **Outlook**

The environment is unlikely to improve in the next three months, the forecast for revenues over the full year are 94 million euros and operating margin at 8% of revenues. Performances in the second half will be at least as good as in the first half of the year.

## **About NEURONES**

Since its creation in 1985, NEURONES, an IT services company employing 1,200 people, combines both growth and profitability. NEURONES has developed a global offer of systems and networks integration (21% of 2002 revenues), outsourcing of distributed environments (35%) and e-Services (44%). Listed on the Nouveau Marché and member of the NextEconomy, NEURONES reported revenues of € 92.6m for 2002, with net profit after goodwill of € 5.6m. Recurring business accounts for 60% of total group revenues, and the group has more than € 33.2m (as of June 30, 2003) net cash to finance its growth.

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