



PRESS INFORMATION

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NEURONES: stepping up operations in Consulting services

In addition to its IT services, NEURONES is continuing to develop and extend a fully-fledged and independent consulting line by creating the NEURONES Consulting business. Today, the group officially announces the integration into this business of a consulting firm, specialized in management and organization, with around a hundred consultants.

Extending consulting operations

The first milestone in this approach was achieved in November 2007, with a specialized entity joining the group. NEURONES officially announces the integration into NEURONES Consulting of around a hundred consultants from a second firm (2008 revenues estimated at €15 million with an operating margin of around 13%), thereby contributing to strengthening the group's line of services.

This consulting company, specialized in management and organization, was created by former experts from major firms. For about ten years, it has been supporting French and European groups in rolling out complex change-management projects, acting as a link between strategy and operations in highly unstable environments. This market positioning has been an opportunity for it to develop strongly.

The group will therefore provide its clients with a range of services from the very start of their strategies and projects, to help them manage change successfully and innovate in very practical terms against a rapidly-changing economic backdrop.

Operating and financial arrangement

The NEURONES group has the same approach when joining forces with other firms. The founding partners of this consulting firm will keep a minority stake in the company. In addition, other current and future partners will have the opportunity to increase their share in the capital gradually.

Having focused on IT services to a greater extent, the group further strengthens its status as a platform for entrepreneurs of B-to-B consulting and services companies. As part of a cooperative approach, NEURONES provides them with the opportunity to diversify their assets and with the resources they need to continue and step up their long-term entrepreneurial development independently.

This business integration is to be consolidated in the accounts as of 1st December 2008.

After this transaction is completed and as of 31 December 2008, the group's net cash will amount to around €50 million.

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About NEURONES

With 2,500 experts, the NEURONES group is specialized in Management Consulting and IT Services (Infrastructures and Applications). It supports its clients in their change-management projects and in the upgrading and outsourcing of their Information Systems. For 2008, NEURONES is expected to generate revenues of over €180 million with an operating margin ranging from 8.5 to 9%.

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