

NOVOMATIC records best ever financial year

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According to first calculations, the NOVOMATIC Group, Europe's largest integrated gaming group, headquartered in Gumpoldskirchen, Lower Austria, achieved its best ever financial year in 2014. At the "International Casino Exhibition 2015" (ICE) in London, the group is once again showcasing the largest trade fair stand in the history of gaming exhibitions. At the most important gaming exhibition in the world, taking place at the ExCeL Exhibition & Conference Centre London from 3 through 5 February, NOVOMATIC and its international subsidiaries will, for the third time, be presenting innovative gaming equipment and systems solutions in an area measuring more than 4,500 square meters.

On Wednesday, at a press conference held at the ICE in London, NOVOMATIC's CEO Mag. Harald Neumann commented: "This year, we are represented here in London by a record of 18 group companies. They cover the industry's entire range of gaming products and solutions." According to Neumann, the first calculations show that the NOVOMATIC Group's three holding companies will, in 2014, record cumulated revenues which for the first time in the company's history exceed the level of 3.8 billion euros (2013: 3.527bn).

During the financial year 2014, the group's continued growth was based on the intensification of activities in the European core markets such as the UK, Spain, Italy and also Holland, where through acquisitions the company has achieved a position as market leader. After the acquisition of the Icelandic company Betware in 2013, this company's innovative lottery technology resulted in the establishment of NOVOMATIC Lottery Solutions GmbH during the past year. This new company is now successfully participating in invitations to tender for modern lottery technology solutions. During the previous year, it had already received a widely noticed order from the Israeli State Lottery.

About NOVOMATIC

The NOVOMATIC Group is one of the largest integrated gaming groups in the world and the clear number one in Europe with more than 22,000 employees worldwide (3,000 of those located in Austria). The corporate group, which was founded by the industrialist Prof. Johann F. Graf in 1980, is one of Austria's leading technology groups, operating locations in 50 countries and exporting innovative gaming equipment, systems solutions, lottery system solutions and services to 80 countries.

The Group today operates more than 232,000 gaming devices and video lottery terminals (VLTs) in over 1,500 own electronic and regular casinos, as well as via rental models. In the area of casinos, the Group owns one of the casinos with the highest revenues in Switzerland, as well as the casinos with the highest revenues in Germany (Berlin) and in the Czech Republic. With 200 locations, ADMIRAL Sportwetten GmbH is the sports betting provider with the most outlets in Austria. The subsidiary Greentube Internet Entertainment Solutions GmbH is the leading European B2B provider in the area of online gaming and a leading provider of social gaming services in Europe, the US and Australasia. The competencies in the area of lottery technology have been strengthened and expanded with the acquisition of Betware (headquartered in Iceland) and the establishment of NOVOMATIC Lottery Solutions GmbH.

Apart from the headquarters in Gumpoldskirchen, south of Vienna, the Group, which owns more than 3,250 IP trade mark rights, operates a total of thirteen production locations and 19 competence centers in Germany, the United Kingdom, Spain, Holland, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Russia, Iceland and Argentina.

In the area of responsible gaming, NOVOMATIC also collaborates with scientific institutions and organizations focused on the treatment of gaming addiction to set new standards with the implementation of prevention and access control systems for the prevention of pathological gaming behavior. Within the scope of its corporate social responsibility policy, NOVOMATIC supports numerous social, cultural, scientific and sports-related initiatives.

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