

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR ACQUISITION
OF ALL OR PART OF THE
FINMEK GROUP COMPANY UNITS IN EXTRAORDINARY ADMINISTRATION

Whereas:

- a) the Finmek Access S.p.A. companies, Finmek S.p.A., Finmek Automation S.r.l., CPG International S.p.A., Finmek Space S.p.A., Costelmar S.r.l., Finmek Solutions S.p.A., Access Media S.p.A. (hereinafter the "Finmek Group companies") have been admitted to the procedures of extraordinary administration pursuant to Decree Law 347 of 23 December 2003, converted to Law 39 of 18 February 2004, (hereinafter, for brevity, the "Law");
- b) the Ministry of Industry has appointed the undersigned, Mr. Gianluca Vidal, as Special Manager of the Finmek Group;
- c) on 13 June 2005, in accordance with Article 4, section 4 of the Law, the Ministry of Industry authorized the change in direction of the extraordinary administration of Finmek Group companies from "economic and financial restructuring" to "closure of the company units" in accordance with Article 27, section 2, letter a) of Leg. Decree 270 of 8 July 1999, (hereinafter also "Prodi Bis");
- d) on 1 August 2005, pursuant to the provisions of Article 54 et sequitur of Prodi Bis, the Special Manager submitted to the Ministry of Industry the divestment plan of the company units belonging to the Finmek Group companies, (hereinafter the "Plan"),
- e) the Plan is currently being examined by the Ministry of Industry;
- f) for the purposes of gathering information useful to execution of the Plan, the Special Manager has been authorized by the Ministry of Industry, with decree dated 8 August 2005, to announce a call of expressions of interest. If the Plan is approved, the submissions can be used to screen potential buyers interested in participating in the procedure(s) to adopt

for the purposes of selling the company units belonging to the Finmek Group companies (hereinafter also the "Company Units").

Now, therefore, all these points having been stated, the undersigned Gianluca Vidal, as Special Manager of the Finmek Group companies

invites

any and all parties interested in submitting expressions of interest for acquisition of all or part of the Company Units of the Finmek Group companies to send a written request to that effect no later than 19 SEPTEMBER 2005 to receive information relating to the description of the Company Units, the subjective requirements necessary to submit an expression of interest, and the minimum requirements in the expression of interest. No later than the aforementioned term, the requests must be sent to

Mr. Gianluca Vidal, Special Manager of the Finmek Group,
Viale Ancona 22/8 - 30174 Venezia Mestre
tel 041-251-1711 and fax 041-251-6730.

Remember that any definitive determination as regards the sale of all or part of the Company Units is subject to authorization by the Ministry of Industry in accordance with the law, with particular reference to approval of the Plan.

Publication of this call for and receipt of expressions of interest does not constitute an implicit obligation to (a) admission to any sale procedure(s) that may be initiated pursuant to authorization of the Programme and/or (b) commencement of negotiations for the sale and/or (c) obligation toward parties involved in the purchase or, for these latter, (d) entitlements to any service by the Special Manager and/or the Finmek Group companies, of any kind.

This announcement constitutes a call for expressions of interest only and not a private or public invitation to tender, pursuant to the provisions of Article 1336 of the Civil Code, nor a public savings incentive, under Article 94 et sequitur of the Leg. Decree 58 of 24 February 1998.

Padua, 26 August 2005

The Special Manager

Mr. Gianluca Vidal