



Press release

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IMA's Board approves the mergers of IMA Industries and IMA Life Italia

The Board of Directors of IMA S.p.A., world leader in the production of automatic packaging machines, met today under the chairmanship of **Alberto Vacchi** and approved the mergers with **IMA S.p.A.** of the wholly-owned subsidiaries **IMA Industries S.r.l.** and **IMA Life Italia S.r.l.**, after the same decision had been taken by the Shareholders' Meetings of these two companies.

IMA Industries S.r.l. is a world leader in the design and manufacture of automatic machines for the packaging of tea, coffee, beverage and confectionery, and for the processing and packaging of food (dairy and convenience food), cosmetics and toiletries.

IMA Life Italia S.r.l. handles the marketing of the products made by the IMA Life division on the Italian market.

The resolutions approved today, resulting from a public deed pursuant to art. 2505 of the Civil Code, were adopted by the Board of Directors because no requests had been submitted by the Shareholders for the General Meeting to adopt this resolution. They follow the **approvals of the merger plans** which took place on 16 September 2014 for **IMA Industries S.r.l.** and on 15 May 2014 for **IMA Life Italia S.r.l.**

These mergers, which will help to optimise the Group's activities and the centralization of staff functions in a phase of consolidation of the non-pharmaceutical sector, form part of the exclusions provided for related party transactions by art. 14 of Consob Regulation and art. 5 of the procedure adopted by IMA in this area.

The mergers of **IMA Industries S.r.l.** and **IMA Life Italia S.r.l.** are not particularly material in terms of substance, being between IMA S.p.A. and two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries, which already fell within the Parent Company's scope of consolidation.

The merger formalities will be completed before the end of the current year and will take effect from 1 January 2015.

The minutes of the resolutions passed will be made available to the general public at the Company's head office in Via Emilia 428/442, Ozzano dell'Emilia (Bologna) and at the administrative offices in Via Tosarelli 184, Castenaso (Bologna). They will also be published on the website **www.ima.it** in the Investor Relations section (Shareholders Meetings) and on the authorised storage system 1INFO (**www.1info.it**), at the same time that we request their inclusion in the relevant Company Registers, which will take place before the legal deadline.

Established in 1961, IMA is world leader in the design and manufacture of automatic machines for the processing and packaging of pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, tea, coffee and food. The Group has more than 3,700 employees, more than 1,500 of whom overseas, and can count on 24 production plants in Italy, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the United States, India and China. IMA has an extensive sales network comprising 27 branches which provide sales and service in Italy, France, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, Germany, Austria, Spain, Poland, Israel, Russia, the United States, India, China, Malaysia, Thailand and Brazil, representative offices in Central and East European countries and over 50 agencies covering a total of about 80 countries. **IMA S.p.A. has been listed on the Milan Stock Exchange since 1995 and in 2001 joined the STAR segment.** The following manufacturing companies are part of the IMA Group: Co.ma.di.s. S.p.A., Corazza S.p.A., Delta Systems & Automation Inc., Gima S.p.A., Gima TT S.r.l., Ilapak International SA, Ilapak Italia S.p.A., Ilapak (Langfang) Packaging Machinery Co. Ltd., IMA Industries S.r.l., IMA Life North America Inc., IMA Life (Beijing) Pharmaceutical Systems Co. Ltd., IMA North America Inc., IMA-PG India Pvt. Ltd., PharmaSiena Service S.r.l., Shanghai Tianyan Pharmaceutical Machinery Co. Ltd., Swiftpack Automation Ltd.

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