

## **AUGUSTA lifts third-quarter earnings by more than a quarter**

**Munich, November 13, 2007.** AUGUSTA Technologie AG (ISIN DE000A0D6612), an industrial holding company specializing in sensor and automation technology, continued to grow in the first nine months of the year. Especially in the third quarter, sales revenues and earnings developed considerably more buoyantly than in the year before. In the months from July to September, sales revenues increased by 8.6% to EUR 30.2 million. Operating profit (earnings before interest and taxes, EBIT) rose by 25.1%, and thus significantly faster than revenues, to EUR 4.8 million. Profit per share amounted to EUR 0.72.

In the period from January to September, consolidated sales revenues climbed by 5.1% to EUR 87.5 million. Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) rose by 6.6% to EUR 13.4 million. The EBIT margin, i.e. the ratio of earnings to sales revenues, increased to 15.4%. Profit per share amounted to EUR 1.33 after nine months.

"We are on the right track with our strategic focus. The performance of our operating business has been very robust so far this year. We are making good progress with our transformation into an integrated technology group.", commented Amnon Harman, Chairman of the Managing Board of AUGUSTA, on the occasion of the publication of the quarterly results.

In addition to this positive business development, the Company's key figures have also improved further. Net liquidity, which AUGUSTA is planning to use to implement its buy-and-build strategy in the future, rose to EUR 7.4 million in the third quarter. The return on equity improved from 12.7% as of the end of 2006 to 13.7% as of the current reporting date.

Berth Hausmann, the Company's Chief Financial Officer, is optimistic about the rest of the year: "Our year-end business is set to do well. At EUR 92.8 million, our incoming orders are nearly 10% up on the same period of the previous year. Even though business performance is traditionally slightly slower in the fourth quarter, we are confirming our published sales revenues and earnings forecast for the full year. At Group level, AUGUSTA expects sales revenues of between EUR 116 million and EUR 120 million and EBIT of between EUR 15 million and 17 million for full-year 2007.

AUGUSTA will publish further details of its business development tomorrow, November 14, 2007 in its nine-month report and will present them to analysts and investors at the German Equity Forum in Frankfurt am Main. The Company's presentation is scheduled to start at 12 noon.

## **Press release**

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The full nine-month report will be available before the start of stock exchange trading tomorrow as a download from the Company's website at [www.augusta-ag.de](http://www.augusta-ag.de). Please contact us personally if you need any further information.

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### **About the company**

AUGUSTA Technologie AG is an industrial holding with focus on the niche markets of sensor systems and automation technology.

The Sensors division develops, produces and markets sensor systems for customer-specific applications. The division's product range comprises the sale of individual pressure sensors through to the development of complex sensor and measuring systems. The main areas of application are medical technology, industrial plant engineering, the automotive industry, as well as aerospace.

The Controls division delivers solutions for automation and quality management of process cycles. Areas of application range from industrial image processing through to automation solutions for logistics and special vehicles.

In 2007 AUGUSTA plans to achieve sales revenues of EUR 116 to 120 million and earnings before interests and taxes (EBIT) of EUR 15 to 17 million.