

## First half-year earnings 2009

In million euros	June 30th	June 30th
IFRS Norms (*)	2008	2009
Turnover	46.2	46.8
<b>Current Operating Income</b>	2.2	1.6
Other products and operating costs	(0.2)	0
Operating Income	2.0	1.6
Taxes and financial costs	(0.8)	(0.3)
Net income	1.2	1.3
Net debt	7.4	4.8
Equity Capital (group share)	48.6	51.4

<sup>(\*)</sup> Audited figures

Micropole-Univers, a European Consulting and I.S. Services Company specialized in Business intelligence, E-Business, ERP and CRM, attained a first half-year consolidated turnover of €46.8 M in 2009, representing 1% growth over the same period last year.

The company recorded an operating income of  $\leq 1$ . 6 M for the period, representing 3,4% of the first half year turnover for 2009 (as against 4.8% of turnover for the same period in 2008.) This decline in operating income is partly due to a seasonal effect (2 fewer working days than in 2008), but mainly reflects the market strain felt by the company during the second quarter, particularly in terms of sales price and activity rates.

As regards net income, it has risen to  $\in 1.3$  M, as against 1.2  $\in$ M for the first half-year 2008. This slight improvement in net income corresponds to a significant drop in deferred tax costs ( $\in 0.3$ m) and financial costs ( $\in 0.2$ m). This last is partly due to debt reduction, and partly due to an overall drop in financing rates.

In the light of the tough market climate for Information Systems services as a whole, and in relation to the all-time high recorded over the first half-year of 2008, the financial results are holding their own, in terms of both operating and net income.

These figures confirm Micropole-Univers' capacity to adapt and the relevance of its economic model, geared to long-term performance. It has been able to implement the strict measures necessitated by the times. It boasts a loyal and diverse client base as well as innovative service offers which are constantly being adapted to the clients' changing needs. E-business projects in particular benefited from strong interest in the first semester of 2009. The ERP offer, being aligned to the development strategy of Micropole-Univers with the Isartis aquisition in April 2009, has contributed to this dynamic.

« Despite a tough market context, the economic performance of the group for the first half-year remained robust. The financial structure of Micropole-Univers was healthy and solid at the end of June 2009 », comments Christian Poyau, C.E.O of Micropole-Univers. «Although visibility for the second half-year remains cloudy, we will go forward confidently, while continuing to strengthen out positioning ».

## About Micropole- Univers - www.micropole-univers.com

Micropole-Univers is a European Consulting and I.S. Services Company specialized in Business intelligence, E-Business, ERP and CRM. The group partners its' clients end-to-end on all project phases, from consulting to solution design and implementation through to training. A leader in its field in France and Switzerland, the group is a partner of the key software vendors on the market. Micropole-Univers has a headcount of over 1 000 and a client base of 800 (of which 80% are CAC 40 listed). The group is listed on the Eurolist compartment C of Euronext Paris and is registered in the Next Economy segment. ISIN Code: FR0000077570.

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