

LINOS successfully completes capital increase against cash contribution

Göttingen, January 13, 2006. LINOS AG (ISIN DE0005256507) has placed 499,999 new bearer no par shares by way of a private placement with institutional investors for EUR 9.90 per share, by making partially use of the authorised capital and with the exclusion of the subscription rights of the shareholders. The gross proceeds from the issuance amount to approximately EUR 4.95 million. By way of the capital increase the number of LINOS AG shares increases from 5,008,000 to 5,507,999. The new shares are to be admitted to trading on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (Prime Standard) without publication of a prospectus.

The proceeds from the capital increase are intended to serve the strategic development of the company. This enables the company to make investments for the future, for example in technology projects, and improves the financial situation of the company for possible acquisitions.

A profile of LINOS AG

LINOS AG is a manufacturer of sophisticated optical systems that operates all over the world. In line with the corporate principle "Photonics for Innovation", LINOS is a development partner and supplier for customers in such growth markets as lasers, optical metrology, medicine, biotechnology and semiconductors. The company was established in a management buy-out in 1996, has acquired and integrated various photonics companies – most recently Rodenstock Präzisionsoptik in Munich – since then and is listed in the Prime Standard index at Frankfurt Stock Exchange. LINOS AG focusses on the three strategic business divisions Information Technology & Communications, Health Care & Life Sciences and Industrial Manufacturing. Almost 800 highly qualified staff are employed in the Group, which develops and produces at three locations in Germany as well as at a plant in Poland. LINOS has sales companies of its own in the USA, Great Britain and France, which are important export countries. <http://www.linos.de>