

# Highlights of 2004

## JANUARY

Together with its American subsidiary LINOS Photonics Inc., LINOS exhibits at "Photonics West" in San José, California, one of the most important trade fairs for optical technologies in the world.

## FEBRUARY

LINOS reports record order intake of EUR 20.3 million in the first two months of the year. This represents an increase of more than 100 per cent over the same period in the previous year.

## APRIL

LINOS sells the plant in Gießen to Jenoptik Laser, Optik, Systeme GmbH with backdated effect from 01.01.2004 and reduces the number of manufacturing locations by doing so. The divestment enables the company to focus more effectively on its core skills and optimises the structure of the Group.

## MAY

About 100 shareholders and guests attend the Annual Shareholders' Meeting of LINOS AG in Göttingen. The conduct of the company's business by the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board is approved almost unanimously. The Annual Shareholders' Meeting passes resolutions to introduce performance-based compensation for the Supervisory Board and to continue the employee option plan.

## JUNE

LINOS exhibits at OPTATEC in Frankfurt, the international trade fair for optical technologies, components, systems and manufacturing that takes place every two years.

Integration of the Planegg plant in the Munich location helps to cut costs and increase efficiency.

## AUGUST

The results for the second quarter demonstrate that LINOS is capable of operating profitably again on an ongoing basis.

## SEPTEMBER

12 apprentices and students in practical training start their careers at LINOS. Apprentices account for 7.5 per cent of the company workforce.

## OCTOBER

Following the successful conclusion of the start-up of series production, LINOS supplies a new generation of photographic laboratories with zoom lenses for photo-finishing, thus providing them with equipment for many different applications.

## NOVEMBER

In the context of a recertification audit at the locations in Göttingen, Regen and Munich, LINOS receives confirmation that it complies with all the requirements of ISO 9001:2000.

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