

EANS-Adhoc: Sartorius AG: Figures for the First Quarter of 2011

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Order intake and sales revenue rose by double digits | Profitability increased
over-proportionately | Full-year targets for 2011 confirmed

Order intake for the Sartorius Group substantially rose in the first quarter by
15.8% (currency-adjusted: +13.9%) to EUR193.5 million (mn) from EUR167.2 mn a
year
ago. The Biotechnology Division contributed EUR128.9 mn, up from EUR110.4 mn in
the
prior-year quarter, and thus increased its order intake by 16.8% (+15.0%). For
the Mechatronics Division, order intake rose to EUR64.6 mn from EUR56.8 mn a
year
earlier, representing a gain of 13.8% (+11.6%). Consolidated sales climbed
14.4% (+12.6%) to EUR172.1 mn from EUR150.4 mn a year ago. At the segment level,
revenue for the Biotechnology Division grew 10.6% (+8.9%) year on year to
EUR110.7 mn from EUR100.1 mn; the Mechatronics Division increased its sales
volume
by 22.1% (+19.9%) to EUR61.5 mn from EUR50.4 mn.

Consolidated earnings before interest, taxes and amortization and adjusted for
extraordinary items of +EUR0.3 mn (prev. yr. -EUR0.9 mn), or operating earnings,
significantly increased overproportionately by 38.8% to EUR22.8 mn from EUR16.4
mn
a year earlier; the Group's respective margin rose to 13.3% from 10.9% a year
ago. The Biotechnology Division contributed operating earnings of EUR17.5 mn
(prev. yr. EUR14.6 mn) and a margin that improved year over year from 14.6% to
15.8%. The Mechatronics Division boosted its operating earnings from EUR1.8 mn
to
EUR5.3 mn and its respective margin from 3.7% to 8.6%.

Underlying consolidated net profit after minority interest and excluding non-
cash amortization rose to EUR10.9 mn from EUR6.9 mn in the year-earlier quarter;

the respective earnings per share were at EUR0.64, up from EUR0.41 a year ago. Unadjusted consolidated net profit after minority interest was EUR10.1 mn, up year on year from EUR5.1 mn.

For fiscal 2011, management confirms its full-year targets: Sales revenue is expected to grow between 6% and 8% in constant currencies for both divisions and, therefore, also at Group level; the Group's operating earnings margin is projected to increase in constant currencies to around 14% (Biotechnology: around 17%; Mechatronics: around 8%). In addition, management anticipates a significantly positive cash flow.

Dr. Joachim Kreuzburg, CEO and Executive Board Chairman of Sartorius, will discuss the results with analysts and investors on Thursday, April 21, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. Central European Time (CET) in a webcast teleconference. You may dial into the teleconference starting at 3:45 p.m. CET at the following numbers: Germany: +49 (0)69 5007 1305; France: +33 (0)1 70 99 42 98; UK: +44 (0)20 7806 1951; USA: +1 718 354 1385. The dial-in code is 1154435. The webcast and presentation can be viewed at www.sartorius.com.

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