



## **Changes to the Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> Mid, Broad & Technology Sector Indexes**

### **Finmeccanica (IT) Merges with Microelettronica Italiana – MEI (IT)**

#### **➤ Increased Weightings: Finmeccanica (IT)**

Zurich, December 30, 1999: STOXX Limited announces the following changes to the Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> indexes:

The Italian technology company Finmeccanica (IT0001199840) will merge with the non-component Italian company Microelettronica Italiana – MEI to form the Italian technology company Finmeccanica (IT0001407847).

- Finmeccanica's number of shares will increase from 3,480,868,864 to 8,392,324,500 shares necessitating changes to its weightings in all the relevant Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> mid, broad and technology sector indexes effective January 5, 2000\*.

Finmeccanica's market capitalisation will increase from 4.4 BEUR to 10.6 BEUR effective January 5, 2000\*.

\* NOTE: The implementation of this change is in line with the "Guide to the Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> Indexes" (Version 4.0, October 1999, Section 5.4 & 5.8, "Ongoing Review: Weightings"). It states: "If, due to an extraordinary corporate action, the number of shares outstanding for an index component changes by more than 10%, then the current number of shares is adjusted immediately. Also, changes in the number of shares outstanding due to stock dividends, splits, rights issues and other corporate actions will be adjusted immediately. All additions and deletions to the blue chip indexes, deletions to the broad, size and sector indexes, changes in the sector classification and weighting changes of more than 10% - due to delistings, bankruptcy, spin-offs, mergers and takeovers - are effective immediately; i.e., on the same day the corporate action is effective following a notification period of at least 2 trading days."

The "Guide to the Dow Jones STOXX<sup>SM</sup> Indexes" is available from STOXX Limited and downloadable from the STOXX Limited website.

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