









SWORD Group

Consolidated sales:
 Q2 2004 : € 18.55 m^{*}
 S1 2004 : € 36.22 m^{*}

• S1 2004 organic growth: in line with the budget

S1 2004
consolidated

consolidated growth: 28% with regards to S1 2003

Assignment of new contracts in S1 2004:
 € 63 m

> Upcoming events :

September 9, 2004 at 10am : Presentation of 2004 first semester results at the Palais Brongniart – Paris 75002

September 22, 2004 :

SWORD GROUP is taking part in the NextEconomy NextPrime Event at the Palais Brongniart - Paris 75002)

> Upcoming appointment : First semester 2004 accounts: September 8, 2004

Second quarter 2004 sales

Sales € m	S1			Q2		
	2004	2003	change	2004	2003	change
Pro-forma	37.17	32.44	+14.6%	18.77	16.46	+14.0%
Consolidated	36.22	28.24	+28.3%	18.55	14.25	+30.2%

*non audited figures

The outlook :

The group is in line with the business plan presented in the 2003 reference document.

Years 2005, 2006 and 2007 will fully benefit from Bookings that, for the most part, are long term contracts.

The acquisition strategy will increase the pro-forma revenue by about € 20 m in 2004 in relation to the € 72 m in the budget.

Profitability :

We confirm a non audited EBIT of 16 % for the "internal growth" perimeter showing again the Group's capacity to raise the profitability of its acuisitions.

Despite the general 5 % downward trend of rates, SWORD has preserved its gross margin thanks to its near-shore strategy, that will soon be complemented by off-shore (GLOBAL, our last acquisition).



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> SWORD Group : founded in December 2000	S1 2004 revenue breakdown :			
Chairman & founder : Jacques Mottard	 By country ➢ Belgium : 	28%		
767 employees as at 30/06/2004	≻ France :> UK :	23% 15%		
listed on Euronext Paris New Market since 13/03/2002	> Luxembourg : > US :	10% 9%		
segment Next Economy	> Others :	15%		
Isin code : FR0004180578 FTSE sector : 972 IT services	 By activity > Consulting : 	13%		
SBF 250	≻ ECM :≻ STP :	82% 5%		

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