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## NORMA Group AG designates supervisory board

Maintal, 24 March 2011 – NORMA Group AG, a global market and technological leader in attractive niche markets for engineered joining technologies, completed its transformation into a joint-stock company on 14 March, 2011. In this context, Dr. Stefan Wolf, chief executive officer of ElringKlinger AG since 2006, was appointed as member of the supervisory board and elected as the new chairman.

The supervisory board of NORMA Group AG currently consists of three members. An expansion of the board to six board members is envisaged with completion of the planned IPO. In addition to Dr. Wolf, the board currently comprises Dr. Ulf von Haacke, former member of the supervisory board of NORMA Group GmbH and general manager of 3i Germany, as deputy chairman, and Dr. Christoph Schug, former member of the advisory board of NORMA Group GmbH and member of the supervisory board of Conmoto Consulting Group and Tom Tailor Holding AG.

"We welcome the appointment of Dr. Wolf, an experienced manager, as chairman of our supervisory board", said Werner Deggim, CEO of NORMA Group AG. "His long-term capital market experience at successful MDAX company ElringKlinger and his specialist know-how will bring us significant added value and will further drive NORMA Group's positive development."

The supervisory board is to be expanded by these three members: Knut Michelberger (63), chief financial officer of Dematic Europe GmbH, Günter Hauptmann (56), chairman of the supervisory board of SVOX AG, and Lars Berg (64), member of the supervisory board of KPN/OnePhone.

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#### **About NORMA Group**

NORMA Group is a global market and technology leader in attractive niche markets for engineered joining technology offering more than 35,000 high quality products and solutions to approximately 10,000 customers in 80 countries. NORMA Group was formed in 2006 through the merger of the German Rasmussen Group, a manufacturer of connecting and retaining elements and fluid conveying conduits which was founded in 1949, and the Swedish ABA Group, a European leader in engineered joining technologies. Since NORMA Group's formation, UK-based international investor 3i Group and funds managed by 3i have been the main shareholders with a 73 percent stake. In 2010, NORMA Group generated revenues of around €490 million with approximately 3,500 employees. The company

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manufactures and sells a wide range of innovative engineered joining technology solutions in three product categories (clamp, connect and fluid) using two distinct ways-to-market: Engineered Joining Technology ("EJT") and Distribution Services ("DS"). In EJT, NORMA Group provides original equipment manufacturers with mission-critical solutions that are engineered to meet their specific needs. In DS, NORMA Group leverages its worldwide manufacturing and distribution network to provide high-quality standardized products under its well known brands ABA®, BREEZE®, Gemi®, NORMA®, R.G.RAY®, Serflex®, Serratub®, TERRY® and Torca®. Headquartered in Maintal, Germany, NORMA Group operates a global network of 17 manufacturing and distribution facilities as well as ten sales and distribution sites across Europe, the Americas and Asia Pacific.