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## IMI and NEOWAVE Sign Cooperation Deal

Integrated Microelectronics Inc. (IMI), a leading electronics solutions provider in the world with major manufacturing facilities in China and Philippines and NEOWAVE SAS, the French leading Technology provider of Smart Objects, have signed a major agreement for the manufacturing of the Weneo product from NEOWAVE.

Smart Objects are new portable and secure e-medias providing users connectivity to PC and Web. They feature a huge memory capacity and processing power in addition to the standard contactless smart cards capabilities. They represent and identify their owner in its environment allowing him to perform secure transactions with excellent ergonomics, thanks to an innovative design and format.

IMI is a complete vertically-integrated electronics manufacturing services (EMS) provider to the world's leading original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) in the computing, communications, consumer, automotive, industrial, and medical electronics markets. It is consistently ranked among the top 50 EMS providers in the world based on the *Manufacturing Market Insider's* list.

Starting out as an EMS company in the Philippines, IMI has transformed into a global network that includes a subsidiary (Speedy-Tech Electronics Ltd.) with manufacturing plants and design centers in China and Singapore; a prototyping

and new product introduction center in the United States; and design teams based in Japan and Europe.

IMI runs a design and engineering center in Manila which provides solutions focused on short-range wireless technologies and embedded systems. Through its facilities in China, Speedy-Tech is able to provide cost-competitive design and manufacturing solutions to OEMs.

Speedy-Tech's facility in Shenzhen (south of China) has started to make industrialization process and production of Weneo product from NEOWAVE.

"Signing this cooperation agreement with IMI opens up tremendous perspectives for our Weneo product in term of quality and cost-competitive perspectives" said Alain BION, Production director of NEOWAVE. He added: "IMI is a reputable global player in the EMS industry that successfully produces high volume of quality products".

"The Weneo product fits IMI's strategy to support startup companies with a high volume potential" said Benjamin CHNG, Senior Managing Director for Global Turnkey of IMI.

About Integrated Microelectronics Inc. (IMI):

IMI's capabilities allow it to take on the specific outsourcing needs of its customers, providing them with flexible solutions that encompass design, manufacturing, and order fulfilment. It develops platforms to customize solutions in response to its customers' unique requirements. Its platforms in areas like short-range wireless systems, embedded systems, and sensors and imaging technology are less of products than capabilities to realize products. New manufacturing capabilities are developed by IMI's Advanced Manufacturing Engineering (AME) group. Its expertise includes immersion silver process, pre-flow underfill process, thermally enhanced flip chip technology, traceless flip chip technology, and flip chip on flex assembly, among others. With its complete manufacturing solutions from printed circuit board assembly

to complete box build, IMI assures its customers that they will get their products to their market fast at reasonable costs.

*For more information about IMI, please visit [www.global-imi.com](http://www.global-imi.com).*

#### ABOUT NEOWAVE:

Smart Objects is the core business of Neowave. It is at the heart of the contactless revolution for the secured transactions world. NEOWAVE "Smart Object" is a portable and personal object with all the smart card security and functions included. In addition, it features the direct web and PC connectivity thanks to its USB interface and includes an unachieved power (mass storage capacity and processing power).

NEOWAVE "Smart Objects" offer new opportunities in a wide range of applications such as:

- Mass transit: validation, reloading, on-line ticketing...
- Company/buildings: physical and logical access, secure file transfer
- Payment: contactless payment, reloading, on-line payment
- Education: e-satchel, bus, metro, access control, network access, e-ticketing, secure file transfer...)

Multimedia, Identity, Healthcare NEOWAVE "Smart Object" form factor along with its internal architecture is the kernel of a unique and innovative tool. Plug and Play and user-friendly it manages its own installation. NEOWAVE products result from the expertise of the 4 founders in the following domains: smart cards, embedded OS, secure chips and consumer products. Created in June 2007, NEOWAVE is a start-up located at Gardanne in the South of France.

*For more information about NEOWAVE, please visit <http://www.neowave.fr>*

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