



## **Axalto Achieves ABI EMV Certification for its MagIC X1000 DECT Wireless Portable Terminal in Italy**

**MagIC X1000 DECT is the first cordless terminal in Italy certified for compliance with the ABI Progetto Microcircuito Specification**

**Amsterdam, June 30, 2005** – Axalto (Euronext: NL0000400653 – AXL), the world's leader in microprocessor cards and a major supplier of point-of-sales terminals, today announced that its MagIC X1000 DECT Point-Of-Sale terminal has been EMV certified by the Association of Italian Banks (ABI), in compliance with its Progetto Microcircuito specification. The MagIC X1000 DECT is the first cordless terminal in Italy to receive this certification.

DECT wireless portable payment technology brings comfort to customers because the terminal is brought to them and never leaves their sight. These features provide a guarantee of security at a time when counterfeiting of magnetic stripe payment cards is widespread.

The Axalto MagIC X1000 DECT terminal is noted in Italy as the best performing in its category because of its coverage (more than 400 meters in open field), its autonomy (more than 200 transactions without recharging) and its reliability (it is not affected by electromagnetic interferences). It is mostly used today at petrol stations, restaurants and bars.

“Axalto brings the EMV experience directly to the consumer with the MagIC X1000 DECT product,” said Michel Léger, vice president for Axalto Terminals. “The product combines convenience and portability with the security brought by EMV. These are three key aspects of our vision of the future for card-based payment.”

Axalto's MagIC 5100 desktop terminal has also received ABI EMV certification. With this additional MagIC X1000 DECT certification, Axalto confirms its leadership in EMV payment terminals. The MagIC X1000 DECT with the ABI EMV application is available to ship immediately in large volumes.

## **About Axalto**

Axalto (Euronext: NL0000400653 AXL) is the world's leading provider of microprocessor cards (Gartner Dataquest 2004) — the key to digital networks — and a major supplier of point-of-sale terminals. Its 4500 employees come from 70 nationalities and serve customers in more than 100 countries, with worldwide sales reaching 3 billion smart cards to date. The company has 25 years' experience in smart card innovation and leads its industry in security technology and open systems.

Axalto continuously creates new generations of products for use in a variety of applications in the telecommunications, finance, retail, transport, entertainment, healthcare, personal identification, information technology and public sector markets. Microprocessor cards provide convenience, security and privacy to public and private services operators, their customers and end users.

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