

DATALOGIC (STAR: DAL.MI) - RECORD RESULTS IN SECOND QUARTER OF 2011

- Record result of quarterly margin: EBITDA rose from 14.9 million in first quarter of 2011 to 16.9 million in second quarter of 2011, with EBITDA margin improving from 14.2% to 16%.
- On a half-yearly basis sales revenues grew by 10.2% to 210.2 million vs. 190.8 million reported in the first half of 2010.
- EBITDA rose by 22.5% to 31.8 million, vs. 25.9 million in the first half of 2010, and half-year EBITDA margin increased to 15.1% vs. 13.6% in the same period last year.
- Group net profit amounted to 7.8 million vs. 11.2 million in the first half of 2010.
- 8.5 million of extraordinary costs were expensed for the new supply chain of the ADC segment; EBITDA before extraordinary costs would have been about 32.9 million (+26.6% vs. first half of 2010) while net profit would have been about 14 million (+22.6% vs. first half of 2010).
- Consolidated net debt improved to -71.9 million compared to -76.5 million at 31st December 2010.

Bologna, 29th July 2011 – Today the Board of Directors of Datalogic S.p.A. (Borsa Italiana: DAL), a company listed in the Star segment of Italy's stock exchange (MTA) organised and managed by Borsa Italiana SpA ("Datalogic") and market leader in barcode readers, mobile computers, RFID and vision systems, approved the half-year report at 30 June 2011.

The best ever results for the period confirmed Datalogic's growth trend in terms of market share. The project for the new integrated supply chain in the ADC (Automatic Data Capture) segment was launched.

The first half (1H11) ended with a net profit of 7.8 million vs. 11.2 million reported in the first half of 2010 (1H10). It was driven by a favorable trend both of sales revenues and margins, which made it possible to expense 8.5 million of extraordinary costs relating to implementation of the integrated supply chain.

Mauro Sacchetto, CEO of Datalogic S.p.A., commented: "The extremely positive first-half results confirm the singular features of Datalogic – a company capable of continuing to grow and generate profit even in a still uncertain market environment. The strategic actions taken in previous quarters, in terms of control of overhead costs and focus on efficiency, allow continuous improvements in terms of margin, as confirmed by an EBITDA margin that hit 16% in the second quarter. These improvements will be even more incisive, significant recouping of profitability as from the next financial year, with adoption of the new integrated supply chain for the ADC, for which over 80% of the investment has already been expensed during the first half. Lastly, our continuous investments in R&D enable us to maintain constant ability to innovate and to assert our technological superiority, assuring us global leadership of the sectors in which we operate".

Consolidated sales revenue in 1H11 amounted to 210.2 million with a 10.2% increase over 190.8 million in 1H10. At constant EUR/USD exchange rates, the increase would have been about 13%.

Group EBITDA grew from 25.9 million in 1H10 to 31.8 million. EBITDA margin rose to 15.1% vs. 13.6% in 1H10, positioning itself at higher levels than those achieved by the Group before the start of the crisis.

Research and development costs grew by 5.8% to 13.4 million (6.4% of sales) vs. 12.7 million in 1H10 (6.6% of sales).

During 1H11 extraordinary costs of 8.5 million were posted, of which 1.1 million recorded in administrative expenses and 7.4 million posted in non-recurring costs, concerning adoption of the new supply chain, which had integrated all the Operations processes (production and logistics) of the Datalogic Scanning and Datalogic Mobile divisions in the ADC segment.

This new Operations architecture at international level will ensure greater industrial productivity and will make it possible to take all growth opportunities, expanding the factory in Vietnam, a country developing strongly and a strategic point of the entire Asian area where the market is growing at extremely fast rates.

After financial charges substantially stable at 2.9 million vs. 3.0 million in 1H10 and foreign exchange losses of 2.3 million compared to foreign exchange profit of 2.3 million in 1H10, Group net profit amounted to 7.8 million vs. 11.2 million achieved in 1H10. Before the extraordinary costs relating to the project for the new supply chain, Group net profit would have been about 14 million, with 22.6% growth over 1H10, while EBITDA would have been approximately 32.9 million (+26.6% vs. 1H10).

The net financial position at 30th June 2011 showed further improvement after the progress made in previous quarters and showed net debt of 71.9 million vs. 76.5 million at 31st December 2010. Net working capital amounted to 26.6 million at 30th June 2011, decreasing vs. 27.2 million at 31st December 2010. It is pointed out that, during 1H11, dividends of some 8 million were paid.

At a quarterly level, the results of the second quarter of 2011 (2Q11) showed progress vs. the second quarter of 2010 (2Q10) and also vs. the first quarter of 2011 (1Q11), mainly in terms of margin improvement. More specifically, sales revenues held steady at 105.3 million (+3.9% vs. 2Q10 and substantially in line with 1Q11); EBITDA amounted to 16.9 million (vs. 15.3 million in 2Q10 and +13.2% vs. 1Q11) and EBITANR [\[1\]](#) to 14.3 million (vs. 12.4 million in 2Q10 and +17.1% vs. 1Q11).

	2Q 2011		2Q 2010		Change (€ '000)	% Change
TOTAL REVENUES	105,291	100.0%	101,312	100.0%	3,979	3.9%
EBITDA	16,868	16.0%	15,338	15.1%	1,530	10.0%
EBITANR	14,301	13.6%	12,448	12.3%	1,853	14.9%
EBIT	5,818	5.5%	11,760	11.6%	(5,942)	(50.5%)

[1] EBITANR – Earnings before interest, taxes, acquisition and non recurring.

	2Q 2011		1Q 2011		Change (€ '000)	% Change
TOTAL REVENUES	105,291	100.0%	104,956	100.0%	335	0.3%
EBITDA	16,868	16.0%	14,896	14.2%	1,972	13.2%
EBITANR	14,301	13.6%	12,213	11.6%	2,088	17.1%
EBIT	5,818	5.5%	11,106	10.6%	(5,288)	(47.6%)

All Group divisions recorded a substantially positive trend.

In the Automatic Data Capture (ADC) segment, the Datalogic Scanning Division – specialized in the production of bar code readers for the retail market and hand held scanners and accounting for 48% of consolidated sales - grew by 14% in terms of sales revenue and by 58% in terms of EBITDA, 18 million. The Datalogic Mobile Division - specialized in the production of mobile computers for professional use and accounting for 20% of consolidated sales – featured performance substantially in line with 1H10 in terms both of sales revenue and EBITDA, 5 million.

Datalogic Automation – specialized in the production of barcode, RFID and vision automatic identification systems and accounting for 23% of consolidated sales – featured an increase of 13% in sales revenue and of 46% in terms of EBITDA, 7.2 million.

The Business Development Division - which includes the companies Informatics Inc. and Evolution Robotics Retail Inc. and accounts for 9% of consolidated sales – achieved a 10% increase of sales revenue to 18.2 million.

The following table shows individual operating divisions' sales (inclusive of intersegment revenues) and EBITANR (earnings before interest, acquisition amortization and non-recurring items) by segment for 1H11.

Division	Sales revenues			EBITANR		
	1H2011	1H2010	%	1H2011	1H2010	%
Datalogic Mobile	41.8	41.9	(0.24%)	3.9	4.3	(9.3%)
Datalogic Scanning	101.7	89.3	13.9%	16.0	9.3	72%
Datalogic Automation	48.8	43.3	12.7%	5.8	3.3	75.7%
Business Development	18.2	16.6	9.6%	1.4	2.2	(36.3%)
Datalogic S.p.A.	7.5	6.9	8.7%	(0.6)	1.8	n.s.
Adjustments	(7.8)	(7.2)	(8.3%)	0	(0.7)	n.s.
Total	210.2	190.8	10.2%	26.5	20.1	31.6%

As regards geographical areas, we highlight the good progress of sales in the markets of North America, up by 15% to 62 million, and Europe, which grew by 12% to 84 million. Italy showed improvement of 8% to 24 million, where growth in emerging countries slowed down after the major increases experienced during 2010.

Events in the reporting period (1H11)

January marked the start of the Group's divisions by market: Automatic Data Capture (ADC), which includes the Mobile and Scanning Divisions and Industrial Automation (IA) which includes the Automation Division.

On 29th June 2011, the new 2011-2013 Business Plan was presented. For 2013 the Plan envisages the following objectives:

- Expected revenues between 470-480 million, 2009-2013 CAGR above 11%
- Expected EBITDA between 80-85 million, 2009-2013 CAGR of around 45%, EBITDA margin between 17%-18%
- Expected ROE between 23%-24%
- Sharp improvement in net financial position (1^[1]), expected to be positive at between 15 and 20 million

Events after end of reporting period (1H11)

There are no events to report.

The auditing activity for the half-year interim report has not yet been completed and the audit report will be available within the deadlines set at law. The attached balance sheet and income statement are reclassified statements, and as such have not been subject to audit.

Lastly, please note that the half-year interim report at 30th June 2011 will be available upon request at the registered office of Datalogic S.p.A. and at the offices of Borsa Italiana S.p.A., and it could also be consulted on the Company's web site www.datalogic.com (Investor Relations section).

The manager responsible for preparing the company's financial reports - Dott. Marco Rondelli – declares, pursuant to paragraph 2 of Art. 154-bis of the “Testo Unico della Finanza”, that the accounting information contained in this press release corresponds to the document results, books and accounting records.

(1) NFP calculated gross of expected dividends.

Reclassified income statement at 30th June 2011 – Euro/1.000

Datalogic Group	30/06/2011		30/06/2010		var.	var %
Total Revenues	210.247	100,0%	190.832	100,0%	19.415	10,2%
Cost of goods sold	(111.432)	-53,0%	(103.298)	-54,1%	(8.134)	7,9%
Gross Operating Margin	98.815	47,0%	87.534	45,9%	11.281	12,9%
Other revenues	1.780	0,8%	606	0,3%	1.174	193,7%
Research & Development	(13.389)	-6,4%	(12.659)	-6,6%	(730)	5,8%
Distribution costs	(39.372)	-18,7%	(36.821)	-19,3%	(2.551)	6,9%
Administrative expenses	(20.441)	-9,7%	(17.587)	-9,2%	(2.854)	16,2%
Other operating expenses	(879)	-0,4%	(928)	-0,5%	49	-5,3%
Total operating expenses and others	(74.081)	-35,2%	(67.995)	-35,6%	(6.086)	9,0%
Ordinary Operating Profit before non recurring costs/revenues and amort. of intang. ass. from acquisition (EBITANR)§	26.514	12,6%	20.145	10,6%	6.369	31,6%
Non recurring costs/revenues	(7.414)	-3,5%	338	0,2%	(7.752)	0,8%
Amort. Intangible assets from acquisition	(2.176)	-1,0%	(1.999)	-1,0%	(177)	8,9%
Operating Profit (EBIT)	16.924	8,0%	18.484	9,7%	(1.560)	-8,4%
Financial (costs)/revenues	(2.905)	-1,4%	(3.037)	-1,6%	132	-4,3%
Result from equity investments	219	0,1%	86	0,0%	133	154,7%
Foreign exchange (costs)/revenues	(2.349)	-1,1%	2.290	1,2%	(4.639)	0,8%
Profit/(Loss) before taxes (EBT)	11.889	5,7%	17.823	9,3%	(5.934)	-33,3%
(Taxes)	(4.071)	-1,9%	(6.568)	-3,4%	2.497	-38,0%
Net Income/(Loss)	7.818	3,7%	11.255	5,9%	(3.437)	-30,5%
Depreciation	(3.661)	-1,7%	(3.926)	-2,1%	265	-6,7%
Amortization	(1.589)	-0,8%	(1.852)	-1,0%	263	-14,2%
EBITDA™	31.764	15,1%	25.923	13,6%	5.841	22,5%

Note: Following the introduction of IAS/IFRS, non-recurring or extraordinary costs are no longer shown separately in financial statements below the operating line but are included in ordinary operating figures. In order to ensure better representation of the Group's ordinary profitability, we have preferred to show an operating result before the impact of non-recurring costs/income and acquisition-related amortization, which we have called "EBITANR - Earnings before interest, taxes, acquisition and non recurring". To allow for comparison with the financial statements, we have provided an additional intermediate profit margin (the "operating result"), which includes non-recurring costs/income and amortisation due to acquisitions, and matches the figure reported in the financial statements.

[1] EBITANR – Earnings before interest, taxes, acquisition and non recurring.

[1] EBITDA - Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization.

Reclassified Balance Sheet at 30th June 2011 – Euro/1.000

Datalogic Group	30/06/2011	31/12/2010	30/06/2010
Intangible Fixed Assets	35.674	40.998	41.555
Goodwill	99.076	106.088	99.394
Tangible Fixed Assets	48.548	50.042	51.888
Non consolidated Investments	3.655	3.286	3.035
Other fixed assets	23.790	23.088	25.298
Total Fixed Assets	210.743	223.502	221.170
Net Trade Account Receivables	74.069	69.353	77.691
ST account payables	(64.511)	(56.688)	(51.968)
Inventory	54.520	45.308	47.266
Trade Working Capital	64.078	57.973	72.989
Other current Receivables	16.616	16.827	15.174
Other ST payables and Provision for risk & future charges	(54.130)	(47.553)	(41.549)
Net Working Capital	26.564	27.247	46.614
Other LT Payables	(15.560)	(17.144)	(19.225)
Employees' severance indemnity	(7.004)	(7.121)	(7.101)
LT Provision for risk & future charges	(12.228)	(9.823)	(7.300)
Net Invested Capital	202.515	216.661	234.158
Equity	(130.655)	(140.164)	(142.055)
Net Financial Position	(71.860)	(76.497)	(92.103)

Net Financial Position at 30th June 2011 – Euro/1.000

Datalogic Group	30/06/2011	31/12/2010	30/06/2010
A. Cash and bank deposits	110.195	101.791	88.204
B. Other liquidity	726	751	725
<i>b1. Restricted cash</i>	726	751	725
C. Securities held for trading	10.014	360	360
<i>c1. Short Term</i>	9.655	1	1
<i>c2. Long Term</i>	359	359	359
D. Cash and Cash equivalents (A) + (B) + (C)	120.935	102.902	89.289
E. Current financial receivables	0	120	120
F. Other current financial assets	0	256	136
<i>f1. hedging instruments</i>	0	256	136
G. Current bank overdrafts	135	26	81
H. Current portion of non-current debt	69.207	47.768	86.992
I. Other current financial liabilities	77	69	452
<i>i1. Hedging instruments</i>	77	69	452
J. Current financial debt (G) + (H) + (I)	69.419	47.863	87.525
K. Current financial debt, net (J) - (D) - (E) - (F)	(51.516)	(55.415)	(2.020)
L. Non current bank borrowing	122.495	130.187	91.747
M. Non current financial receivables		0	209
N. Other non current liabilities	881	1.725	2.585
<i>N1. Hedging instruments</i>	881	1.725	2.585
O. Non - current financial debt (L) - (M) + (N)	123.376	131.912	94.123
P. Net financial debt (K) + (O)	71.860	76.497	92.103

