

## **Raiffeisen Banking Group Selects Gemalto to Secure Online Banking Services in Austria**

**Amsterdam, May 22, 2012** – Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO), the world leader in digital security, announces that Raiffeisen Banking Group, the largest financial institution in Austria, has selected the [Ezio Edge Optic solution](#) to secure its online banking services. Raiffeisen is the first Austrian banking group that offers digital strong authentication devices almost everywhere across Austria. Rollout started at the beginning 2012 after a comprehensive internal test and training period.

The Ezio Edge Optic leverages the security of CardTAN-compliant debit cards to authenticate users, as well as authorize and sign online banking transactions. The handheld device features optical sensors to detect the online banking transaction data entered and sent from the PC screen. Raiffeisen's online customers simply place the Ezio Edge in front of their PC screen and the securely encoded transaction data needed for verification by the user and signature generation are instantly read.

*"For us, usability and security always comes first. With our CardTAN-compliant Ezio solution, we are ahead of the curve and once again reinforce our leading position in Austria." says Johannes Schuster, board member of Raiffeisen Zentralbank and responsible for Raiffeisen Group in Austria. Mr Schuster specifically highlights the end-user benefits; "Mobility and flexibility are keywords in our time. Thanks to the portability of the Ezio Edge Optic our customers can conduct their online banking errands wherever and whenever they want, protected by the highest level of security."*

*"Trust is the most important aspect of the relationship between a financial institution and their end customer," added Håkan Nordfjell, senior vice president eBanking at Gemalto. "Gemalto is pleased to be able to support Raiffeisen in enhancing that trusted relationship by expanding the scope of Internet services with the secure signing of transactions."*

## About Gemalto

Gemalto (Euronext NL0000400653 GTO) is the world leader in digital security with 2011 annual revenues of €2 billion and more than 10,000 employees operating out of 74 offices and 14 Research & Development centers in 43 countries.

We are at the heart of our rapidly evolving digital society. Billions of people worldwide increasingly want the freedom to communicate, travel, shop, bank, entertain and work – anytime, everywhere – in ways that are convenient, enjoyable and secure. Gemalto delivers on their expanding needs for personal mobile services, payment security, identity protection, authenticated online services, cloud computing access, eHealthcare and eGovernment services, modern transportation solutions, M2M communication,.

Gemalto develops secure software that runs on trusted devices which we design and personalize. We manage these devices, the confidential data they contain and the services they enable, throughout their life cycle. We innovate so that our clients can offer more ways of enhancing the convenience and security of their end-users' digital lives.

Gemalto is thriving with the growing number of people using its software and secure devices to interact in the digital and wireless world.

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