

## REXEL ACQUIRES A SECOND COMPANY IN INDIA: AD ELECTRONICS

Rexel, a global leader in the distribution of electrical supplies, announces today the acquisition of AD Electronics in India.

Having entered the Indian market through the acquisition of Yantra Automation in January, Rexel is further strengthening its footprint in the country with this new acquisition.

Founded in 1993 and based in Mumbai, one of India's major industrial regions, AD Electronics is specialized in the distribution of automation products. It operates through 2 branches and 1 warehouse, employs 22 people and posted sales of c. €5 million in 2010. The acquisition will take place in 2 stages: (i) immediate acquisition of 75% and (ii) acquisition of the remaining 25% in 2015.

After the acquisition of Nortel Suprimentos Industriais in Brazil, three acquisitions in China (Beijing Lucky Well Zhineng, Wuhan Rockcenter Automation and Beijing Zhongheng) and the acquisition in India of Yantra Automation, this is Rexel's sixth acquisition in fast-growing markets in the last 6 months. The compound annual sales generated by these six companies in 2010 amounted to around 190 million euros.

Rexel, a global leader in the distribution of electrical supplies, serves three main end markets: industrial, commercial and residential. The Group operates in 36 countries, with a network of some 2,200 branches, and employs 28,000 people. Rexel's sales were €12.0 billion in 2010. Its majority shareholders are an investor group led by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, Eurazeo and BAML Capital Partners.

Rexel is listed on the Eurolist market of Euronext Paris (compartment A, ticker RXL, ISIN code FR0010451203). It is integrated in the following indices: SBF 120, CAC Mid 100, SBF250, CAC AllTrade, CAC AllShares, FTSE EuroMid and FTSE4Good.

For more information, visit Rexel's web site at [www.rexel.com](http://www.rexel.com)

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