

# Press release

# Paris, France, 11th April 2013

# The Steria Group completes a €180 million bond issue via a private placement

The Steria Group has successfully placed a €180 million bond issue with a maturity of 6 years and 3 months (due July 2019) and a fixed-rate annual coupon of 4.25%. The bonds have been placed with institutional investors.

The Prospectus was approved by the *Autorité des marchés financiers* on 10th April 2013 with visa no. 13-148 and the bonds will be admitted for trading on NYSE Euronext Paris from 12th April 2013.

The prospectus is available online at the company's website<sup>1</sup> (www.steria.com) at the "investors" section and the *Autorité* des *marchés financiers* website (www.amf-france.org).

This transaction complements the signature of a syndicated loan on 23rd June 2011, with a 5-year maturity (due in June 2016), comprising a €275 million amortisable term loan and a multi-currency revolving credit line of €325 million. It also follows the early redemption on 2nd January 2013 of €152 million of perpetual subordinated bonds (annual coupon 5.7%) financed by drawing on the revolving credit line.

This bond issue allows the Group to:

- reinforce its financial flexibility,
- disintermediate its financial resources on favourable terms,
- diversify its sources of financing,
- and extend the average maturity of its financing by spreading redemption dates over time.

The arranger for the transaction was Société Générale Corporate and Investment Banking.

As a reminder, the Steria Group has set objectives for 2013 that include organic revenue growth, an increase in operating margin rate and positive free cash flow (after dividends). In the longer term, under its 4-year development plan, the Group has set targets on a like for like basis of revenue of over €2 billion, operating margin equal to or above 8% and net financial debt of less than €150 million.

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Copies of the prospectus can also be obtained free of charge at the Steria Group's registered office, 43-45 Quai du Président Roosevelt, 92130 Issy-Les-Moulineaux

#### Steria is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, Eurolist (Section B)

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#### About Steria: www.steria.com

Steria delivers IT enabled business services and is the Trusted Transformation Partner for private and public sector organisations across the globe. Steria's services deploy new technologies to help public and private sector organisations operate more efficiently and profitably. By combining in-depth understanding of our clients' businesses with expertise in IT and business process outsourcing, we take on our clients' challenges and develop innovative solutions to address them. Through our highly collaborative consulting style, we work with our clients to transform their business, enabling them to focus on what they do best.

Our 20,000 people, working across 16 countries, support the systems, services and processes that make today's world turn, touching the lives of millions around the globe each day.

Founded in 1969, Steria has offices in Europe, India, North Africa and SE Asia and a 2012 revenue of €1.83 billion. More than 20% (\*) of Steria's capital is owned by its employees. Headquartered in Paris, Steria is listed on the Euronext Paris market.

(\*): including "SET Trust" and "XEBT Trust" (4.15% of capital)

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