



## Press Release

Milan, 7 February 2008. The Board of Directors of the Il Sole 24 ORE Group met today in Milan, under the chairmanship of Giancarlo Cerutti. The Board reviewed the provisional actual figures relating to 2007 performance, which were in line with expectations. The meeting of the Board of Directors to review and approve FY2007 financial statements has been scheduled for March 2008.

The Board approved important initiatives to strengthen presence in the web area, considered strategic for the Group's development programmes.

The Board once again confirmed the focus on externally driven growth in the Professionals business segment. This growth would be achieved during 2008, pursuing investment opportunities both in Italy and abroad.

The Board also examined the publishing project for a monthly magazine, with a profile consistent with that typical of the Il Sole 24 Ore reader. In addition, it agreed further strengthening of the newspaper's international presence.

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