

Press Release

Brunel increases EBIT by 16%

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Brunel International realised a Q1 2008 turnover of just over €162 million, up 21% compared to the same period in 2007. The gross profit amounted to €38,1 million from €32,1 million over Q1 last year. The gross margin was 23,4%. The first quarter ebit reached an amount of €13,2 million, an increase of 16% against the first 3 months of 2007. Average headcount increased by 11% from 6,956 in Q1 2007 to 7,699 over Q1 of this year.

Brunel International			
X € 1 million	Q1 2008	Q1 2007	Change %
Turnover	162,1	133,7	21%
Gross Profit	38,0	32,1	18%
<i>Gross margin</i>	23.4%	24.0%	-0,6
Ebit	13,2	11,4	16%
<i>Ebit %</i>	8.1%	8.5%	-0.4
(unaudited)			

Brunel Netherlands realised a turnover of €37,0 million, an increase of 11% compared to the same period in 2007. Gross margin decreased slightly compared to the same period in 2007.

Brunel Germany realised a turnover of €32,7 million, an increase of 12% compared to the same period in 2007. The German gross margin further improved.

The Energy division realised a turnover of €84,8 million, an increase of 29% while the gross margin further improved.



Jan Arie van Barneveld, CEO of Brunel International: "We were able to continue our growth in the Netherlands, Germany and the Energy division. Under the current circumstances we repeat our expectation of significant growth of revenue and profitability for the year 2008".

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