

## 2008 target market sales up 6.5% in reported CHF, but up 17.6% at constant currency translation rates

### Target market growth at constant currency translation rates

- *Wind Energy* sales up 17.9% to CHF 269.4 million
- *Transportation* sales 2008 up 20.5% CHF to 70.3 million
- *Marine* sales 2008 up 14.5 % to CHF 80.8 million

Wattwil, January 27, 2009. Gurit (SIX Swiss Exchange: GUR), a leading developer and manufacturer of high-end composite materials and technologies, increased sales based on unaudited figures in its target market areas by 17.6% at constant December 2008 currency translation rates. In reported Swiss francs, the increase was 6.5% to CHF 420.6 million for the three target markets *Wind Energy*, *Transportation* and *Marine*. Total Group sales comprising all consolidated activities including the winter sports business exited during the first eight months of 2008 increased by 1.5% to CHF 455.5. The 2007 Group sales figure of CHF 448.9 million had included a full year of sales contribution from the winter sports activities and is thus not directly comparable.

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Gurit also confirms that it exceeded the 4% EBIT goal for 2008.

| Net sales in CHF million (unaudited)      | 2007 at translation rates Dec08 | 2008         | +/-%        | 2007  |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| <b>TOTAL GROUP</b>                        | <b>411.5</b>                    | <b>455.5</b> | <b>10.7</b> | 448.9 |
| <b>TARGET MARKETS</b>                     | <b>357.5</b>                    | <b>420.5</b> | <b>17.6</b> | 394.7 |
| Wind Energy                               | 228.5                           | 269.4        | 17.9        | 253.5 |
| Transportation, Sport & Civil Engineering | 97.7                            | 95.5         | -2.2        | 99.2  |
| Transportation excl. Sport & Civil Eng.   | 58.4                            | 70.3         | 20.5        | 59.7  |
| Marine                                    | 70.6                            | 80.8         | 14.5        | 81.5  |
| Other                                     | 14.7                            | 9.7          | -34.0       | 14.7  |

## **Media and Analyst conference on Monday, March 30, 2009**

Gurit will publish its full year-end results on March 30, 2009, at a joint media and analyst conference in Zürich, starting at 09:00 a.m. Presentations will be in English. Please confirm your participation by returning the attached registration form by March 25. The conference will take place at SIX Swiss Exchange, Convention Point, Selnau Strasse 30, CH-8021 Zürich. The presentation will also be accessible as a webcast on [www.gurit.com](http://www.gurit.com).

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**On Gurit:** The companies of Gurit Holding AG, Wattwil/Switzerland, (SIX Swiss Exchange: GUR) are specialised on the development and manufacture of high-end composite materials featuring bespoke physical and chemical characteristics. The comprehensive product range comprises fibre reinforced prepregs, structural foam, gel coats, adhesives, resins and consumables as well as certain finished parts. Gurit supplies growth markets in Wind Energy, Transportation and Marine. The international Group has production sites and offices in Switzerland, Germany, the UK, Canada, Spain, Australia, New Zealand, the USA, India and China.

## Media/Analyst conference of Gurit

**Monday, March 30, 2009,  
SWX Swiss Exchange  
Convention Point, Room "Exchange"  
Selnau Strasse 30, CH-8021 Zürich**

The joint English-speaking **media and analyst conference** will start at 09:00 a.m. (coffee and documentation will be available from 08:30 a.m.)

A press release is internationally distributed that same day at about 7 a.m.

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