



Press Release

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SPI Lasers

("SPI" or "the Company")

SPI Lasers Appoints Product Line Managers

3rd March 2008, Southampton, UK, SPI Lasers, a leading designer and manufacturer of fiber lasers, today announced that the Company has appointed Jack Gabzdyl and Andrew Appleyard to the positions of Product Line Manager for Pulsed Lasers and High Power Laser Systems respectively, following the successful launch of both G3 pulsed lasers and the R4 system platform. The Product Line Managers will drive the rapid uptake of the new lasers by the customer base and spearhead the new product introduction for 2008.

David Parker, Chief Executive Officer of SPI Lasers, welcomed the promotions; "I am delighted to announce the promotion of Andy Appleyard to 'Product Line Manager for High Power Laser Systems' and Jack Gabzdyl to 'Product Line Manager for Pulsed Lasers'. I expect Andy & Jack to improve on our existing reputation for a high standard of customer service".

SPI Lasers announced a new MOPA-based pulsed fiber laser and the R4 System products in Munich in the summer of 2007. Shortly after, in September 2007, SPI announced an extension to its pulsed laser product range for marking solutions. These products have seen such interest that SPI Lasers has printed a short form brochure available from SPI Lasers on request.

SPI's lasers are already used commercially for a wide range of marking applications including cutting, precision welding and marking. SPI Lasers have not fully exhausted the list of potential applications for fiber lasers and are inviting organisations, such as device and component manufacturers, academic institutions and system integrators from around the globe to submit their own application specific trials. Each application will be assessed on a case by case basis for proof of principle. If approved, it will be provided at no cost to the applicant.

Requesting a proof of principle is the fast track way to conduct application trials. In addition, SPI offer a try before you buy program and SPI provides a progressive program to support academic & not for profit research centres.

Both the proof of concept and try before you buy programs mentioned here can be found by clicking on the SPI web site at www.spilasers.com and registering your details.

For further product information or to book a meeting with a member of the team, SPI Lasers will be exhibiting at LASYS 2008, Hall 4 stand 4B37



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Notes to Editors:

SPI Lasers is a leading designer and manufacturer of optical fiber-based lasers that are currently used in a wide range of industries. The current product family

is used to mark, weld, and cut materials used in the manufacture of a range of products.

The platform technology being developed to raise laser power levels for use in the macro manufacturing sectors is expected further to widen the markets served by SPI Lasers to include aerospace, automotive and white goods manufacture.

Among new markets in prospect, as higher-power lasers are deployed, is defence, and SPI Lasers is currently involved in this sector through contracted development work with a number of companies and government agencies.

SPI Lasers has a strong network of international distributors. In Europe the international distributor is BFI Optilas, one of the region's largest distributors of specialist products in the electronics and photonics markets. Outside Europe, SPI Lasers' products are distributed on an exclusive basis in China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Taiwan and Thailand.

Founded in 2000 on technology developed by the University of Southampton's Optoelectronics Research Centre, the business is headquartered in Southampton, United Kingdom.

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