

PRESS RELEASE

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**Axalto chooses TXT
for collaborative sales forecasting**

TXT, Europe's leading provider of solutions for demand and supply chain management, has been chosen by Axalto (Euronext NL0000400653 AXL)—the world's largest manufacturer of microprocessor cards—to manage its demand planning process.

Using TXTPERFORM, Axalto will achieve collaborative forecasting, including more than 250 users worldwide in the process of forecasting sales. Commercial, financial and marketing personnel will participate directly within a structured workflow, which ensures coordination of the many participants and synchronization and control of their activities by way of alerts, messages and task generation.

The reasons TXT was selected include its acknowledged expertise in the management of planning processes and its product TXTPERFORM, which allows true collaboration among geographically diverse users with different profiles and needs. TXT also has experience integrating its product with other IT systems in use, and can help Axalto implement the solution worldwide.

"Our customers have a growing interest in collaborative planning and forecasting solutions," comments Gilles Alais, sales manager for TXT's Paris branch. "They allow different organizations to work closely together and to coordinate responsibilities of varying levels and workflows. These solutions make it easier to manage processes that involve many players and require substantial coordination."

***AXALTO** (Euronext: NL0000400653 - AXL) is the world's leading maker of microprocessor cards (Gartner 2005)—the key to digital networks—and a major supplier of point-of-sale terminals. Its 4,500 employees come from over 65 different countries and serve customers in more than 100 throughout the world. In 25 years of experience, marked by the major innovations in the field of microchip cards, Axalto has sold more than three billion cards and is a cornerstone of the digital security and open systems market. Axalto creates the new generations of products used for a multitude of purposes by companies in telecommunications, finance, retail, transportation, leisure, healthcare, personal identification systems, information technology and the public sector. Solutions involving microprocessor cards are flexible and safe to use and protect the privacy of public- and private-sector workers, their customers and final users. For further information: www.axalto.com*

***TXT e-solutions** (www.txt.it) leads the European market for strategic enterprise applications and related proprietary software, specifically for content management and demand & supply chain management. Listed on the TechStar and Allstars section of the Milan Stock Exchange (TXTS and TXTMI), it has a staff of about 500 professionals. It is based in Milan and has offices in Genoa, Turin, Vicenza, Bari, Naples, Rome, Paris, Lyons, Barcelona, Chemnitz (Dresden), Halle (Leipzig) and London.*

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