



Thursday 11th April 2006 | **NTR GLOBAL COMPLETES A SECOND FINANCING ROUND TO ACCELERATE ITS INTERNATIONAL EXPANSION AND GROWTH**

NTR Global, Spanish software firm which creates communication and on-line collaboration software solutions, has closed a combined capital increase and old investors' shares repurchase deal for a total amount of €11.7 million.

The investment, formerly signed last Wednesday in Barcelona, has been done by the venture capital funds Elaia Partners and Debaeque Ventures along with Tomàs Casanovas, NTR's president and main shareholder together with Bloc Inversions, Casanovas family's holding company. The deal has consisted of two parts: A capital increase in NTR Global's capital and Fonsinnocat and other private shareholders' buyout.

FonsInnocat, managed by Highgrowth Partners, is the venture capital fund which assumed the first financing round of the firm by the end of 2002 which triggered the high growth of the company in these last years. FonsInnocat, having expired its investment period, has sold its shares (even if it has kept a small stake in the company), obtaining more than four times its initial investment.

Elaia Partners, which has led the investment deal, is a French venture capital fund sponsored by Groupe EDF (with sites in Paris and London) specialized in new technologies and particularly in software firms. Debaeque which has been its co-investor in this deal is an independent venture capital fund located Barcelona specialized in telecommunications and biotechnology sectors.

Both funds, which have wide international experience, have positively valued the fast growth experienced by the company, the efficacy of its international expansion model, the efficiency of its on-demand selling model and the high competitiveness of its products in the global market.

NTR Global offers real time cooperation and communication tools for remote support and remote access. The firm which was created in 2000 by Joan Pons (founder and firm's technology developer) has experienced a high growth which has made it be the European leader in remote support through on-demand solutions. The company, which has also invested in the North-American market by establishing a site in Dallas, has five subsidiaries in the main European countries.