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**Issuance by Soitec of bonds convertible into and/or exchangeable for new or existing shares
(OCEANEs)**

Over-allotment option exercised: total amount of the offering increased to approximately
€145 million

The Sole Bookrunner of the offering of bonds convertible into and/or exchangeable for new or existing shares of Soitec due in 2014 (the “OCEANEs”) has informed Soitec that the over-allotment option that was granted to the managers has been partially exercised (for an amount of approximately €10 million).

Consequently, the total issue size is increased to approximately €145 million euros, corresponding to a total number of 16,959,065 OCEANEs.

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The Sole Bookrunner for this offering is Morgan Stanley & Co International Plc.

In addition, BNP Paribas is acting as Co-Manager.

About Soitec

The Soitec Group is the world's leading innovator and provider of the engineered substrate solutions that serve as the foundation for today's most advanced microelectronic products. The group leverages its proprietary Smart Cut™ technology to engineer new substrate solutions, such as silicon-on-insulator (SOI) wafers, which became the first high-volume application for this proprietary technology. Since then, SOI has emerged as the material platform of the future, enabling the production of higher performing, faster chips that consume less power.

Today, Soitec produces more than 80 percent of the world's SOI wafers. Two other divisions, Picogiga International (Les Ulis) and Tracit Technologies (Bernin), complete the Soitec Group. Picogiga delivers advanced substrates solutions, including III-V epiwafers and gallium nitride (GaN) wafers, to the compound material world for the manufacture of high-frequency electronics and other optoelectronic devices. Tracit, on the other hand, provides thin-film layer transfer technologies used to manufacture advanced substrates for power ICs and microsystems, as well as generic circuit transfer technology "Smart Stacking" for applications such as image sensors and 3D-integration.

More information is available at www.soitec.com.

Public Information

The French prospectus, consisting of Soitec's *document de référence* filed with the AMF on June 23, 2009 under No. D. 09-0537, an actualisation of the *document de référence* filed with the AMF on September 1, 2009 under No. D. 09-0537-A1, a *note d'opération* and a summary (*résumé*) (included in the *note d'opération*), received visa n° 09-246 from the AMF on September 1, 2009. Copies of this prospectus are available free of charge at Soitec, Parc Technologique des Fontaines, 38190 Bernin, France and may be accessed on the websites of Soitec (www.soitec.com) and the AMF (www.amf-france.org). Investors are urged to consider the risk factors set forth at pages 7 to 11 of the *document de référence*, as well as under Section 2 of the *note d'opération*.

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The offer and sale of the Bonds in France will first be carried out in accordance with article L. 411-2 of the "Code monétaire et financier" and in accordance with Decree no. 98-880 of October 1st, 1998 relating to qualified investors as defined therein. The offer will be made to the public in France only after the granting of the "visa" by the AMF on the prospectus.

With respect to the member States of the European Economic Area, other than France, which have implemented the Prospectus Directive (each, a "relevant member State"), no action has been undertaken or will be undertaken to make an offer to the public of the Bonds requiring a publication of a prospectus in any relevant member State. As a result, the Bonds may only be offered in relevant member States:

- (I) to legal entities which are authorised or regulated to operate in the financial markets or, if not so authorised or regulated, whose corporate purpose is solely to place securities;
- (II) to any legal entity which has two or more of the following criteria: (1) an average of at least 250 employees during the last financial year; (2) a total balance sheet of more than € 43 million; and (3) an annual net turnover of more than € 50 million, as per its last annual or consolidated accounts;
- (III) in any other circumstances, not requiring the issuer to publish a prospectus as provided under article 3(2) of the prospectus directive.

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The offering of the Bonds has not been registered with or cleared by the Commissione Nazionale per le Società e la Borsa ("CONSOB") pursuant to the Prospectus Directive (Directive 2003/71/EC) and the Italian securities regulation and, accordingly, the Bonds have not been and will not be offered, sold or distributed in the Republic of Italy ("Italy") in an offer to the public of financial products under the meaning of Article 1, paragraph 1, letter t) of Legislative Decree No. 58 of February 24, 1998 as amended (the "Financial Services Act") unless an exception applies. Therefore, the Bonds may only be offered, transferred or delivered within the territory of Italy:

- (a) to qualified investors (investitori qualificati), as defined in Article 2 paragraph (e) of the Prospectus Directive as implemented by Article 34-ter of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971 of May 14, 1999, as amended (the "Issuers Regulation"); or
- (b) in any other circumstances where an express exemption from compliance with the restrictions on offers to the public applies, including, without limitation, as provided under Article 100 of the Financial Services Act and Article 34-ter of the Issuers Regulation.

In addition, and subject to the foregoing, any offer, sale or delivery of the Bonds or distribution of any document relating to the offering in Italy under (a) and (b) above must be:

- (i) made via investment firms, banks or financial intermediaries authorized to carry out such activities in Italy in accordance with the Financial Services Act, the Issuers Regulation, CONSOB Regulation No. 16190 of October 29, 2007 and Legislative Decree No. 385 of September 1st, 1993 (the "Banking Law"), all as amended;
- (ii) in compliance with Article 129 of the Banking Law and the implementing guidelines, pursuant to which the Bank of Italy may request information on the offering or issue of securities in Italy; and
- (iii) in compliance with any other applicable laws and regulations, including any conditions, limitations or requirements that may be, from time to time, imposed by the relevant Italian authorities concerning securities, tax matters and exchange controls.

Any investor purchasing the Bonds in this offering is exclusively responsible for ensuring that any offer or resale of the Bonds it purchased in this offering occurs in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Article 100-bis of the Financial Services Act affects the transferability of the Bonds in Italy to the extent that any placing of the Bonds is made solely with qualified investors and such Bonds are then systematically resold to non-qualified investors on the secondary market at any time in the 12 months following such placing. Should this occur without the publication of a prospectus, and outside of the application of one of the exemptions referred to above, purchasers of Bonds who are acting outside of the course of their business or profession are entitled to have such purchase declared void and to claim damages from any authorized intermediary at whose premises the Bonds were purchased.

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