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## PRESS RELEASE

## Italian Electronics Holdings S.r.I. launches placement of ordinary shares in Unieuro S.p.A. representing the 15% of the Company's existing share capital

**Milan – 5 September 2017**. Italian Electronics Holdings S.r.l. ("**IEH**"), announces the launch of a placement of ordinary shares in its subsidiary, Unieuro S.p.A. ("**Unieuro**" or the "**Company**"), representing the 15% of the Company's existing share capital (the "**Placement**"). The Placement will be made to certain institutional investors by way of an accelerated bookbuilding process.

Bookbuilding will commence immediately. IEH reserves the right to change the terms or timing of the Placement at any time. IEH will announce the outcome of the transaction upon its completion.

The transaction will enable to increase the free float and to foster the liquidity of the stock.

Following completion of the Placement, IEH, which currently holds approximately 65% of the Company's share capital, will continue to retain a majority shareholding.

Citigroup Global Markets Limited, Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited and Mediobanca – Banca di Credito Finanziario S.p.A. and UniCredit Bank AG, Milan Branch have been appointed by IEH to act as Joint Bookrunners of the Placement.

In connection with the Placement, Citigroup Global Markets Limited, Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited and Mediobanca – Banca di Credito Finanziario S.p.A. – as joint global coordinators of the Unieuro's initial public offering (the "**IPO**") – waived the lock-up provisions agreed by IEH in the context of such transaction and IEH, as customary, has agreed to a 90 days' lockup period with respect to any remaining Unieuro shares it will hold following the Placement. Subject to customary exceptions in line with those already agreed in the context of the IPO, no additional sales of shares of Unieuro will be made by IEH during the lock up period without the consent of the above mentioned financial institutions.

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