

## Wendel will take part in Saint-Gobain's capital increase

Wendel will subscribe to Saint-Gobain's rights issue using the proceeds resulting from the sales of warrants which Wendel is entitled to, in order to ultimately hold a voting rights position close to 30% (taking into account its double voting rights).

Wendel fulfils its role as principal long term shareholder of Saint-Gobain in difficult economic environment.

### **About Wendel**

*Wendel is one of Europe's leading investment firms. It invests in France and internationally, in companies that are leaders in their sectors, including Bureau Veritas, Legrand, Saint-Gobain, Materis, Deutsch, Stallergènes, Oranje-Nassau and Stahl, and in which it plays a hands-on role as an operational investor. It implements long-term development strategies, which involve boosting growth and margins of its companies, in order to enhance their leading market positions*

*Wendel posted 2008 consolidated sales of €5.4 billion. Wendel is listed in Paris on Eurolist by Euronext.*

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