

## PRESS RELEASE

## Annual General Meeting May 31<sup>st</sup> 2012

**Neuilly-sur-Seine, France May 31, 2012** – The ordinary shareholders' meeting of Bureau Veritas took place on Thursday May 31, 2012 under the presidency of Frank Piedelièvre, Chairman of the Board.

All the resolutions submitted to the shareholders' meeting have been adopted, among which:

- Approval of the Statutory and consolidated Financial Statements for the financial year ended December 31, 2011;
- Allocation of a dividend of 1.27 euro per share ;
- Approval of the agreements referred to in article L. 225-38 of the French Commercial Code and the Statutory Auditors' special report;
- Approval of the special severance package granted on performance conditions to Didier Michaud-Daniel in his capacity as Chief Executive Officer of the Company;
- Authorization to allow the Company to purchase its own shares within a maximum of 10% of the Company's share capital.

During the presentation of the Board's reports, Didier Michaud-Daniel, Chief Executive Officer, presented the 2006-2011 performances and the highlights of the financial year ended December 31, 2011.

Sami Badarani, Financial Chief Officer, then presented the 2011 financial results, detailing in particular revenues, adjusted operating profit, cash flow statement, adjusted net financial debt, optimized leverage ratio, summary financial position and earning per share (EPS).

Didier Michaud-Daniel then presented the business review, the first quarter 2012 revenues, the 2012 Group outlook and the BV2015 strategic plan.

Frank Piedelièvre, Chairman of the Board, finally presented Corporate governance, share price trends, shareholder structure and Corporate social responsibility.

The presentation made during the shareholders' meeting and results of the vote of the resolutions proposed to the shareholders' meeting will be available on the Company's website <u>www.bureauveritas.com</u> under Finance / Shareholder Information / Annual General Meeting.



## About Bureau Veritas

Bureau Veritas is a world leader in conformity assessment and certification services. Created in 1828, the Group has more than 54,000 employees in 940 offices and 340 laboratories located in 140 countries. Bureau Veritas helps its clients to improve their performances by offering services and innovative solutions in order to ensure that their assets, products, infrastructure and processes meet standards and regulations in terms of quality, health and safety, environmental protection and social responsibility.

Bureau Veritas is listed on the Euronext Paris and belongs to the Next 20 (Compartment A, code ISIN FR 0006174348, stock symbol: BVI). <u>www.bureauveritas.com</u>

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