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**ASM INTERNATIONAL REPORTS
 2002 FIRST QUARTER OPERATING RESULTS**

- *Net Sales of € 100.6 million, Net Loss of € (12.2) million or € (0.25) per share*
- *First quarter bookings of € 108.2 million, up 16% from the previous quarter*
- *Quarter-end backlog of € 140.2 million, up 6% from the previous quarter, Book-to-Bill ratio for the first quarter of 1.08*

BILTHOVEN, THE NETHERLANDS, April 22, 2002 --- **ASM International N.V.** (NASDAQ: ASMI and Euronext Amsterdam: ASM) reported today the operating results for the first quarter of 2002. The *net loss* for the first quarter amounted to € (12.2) million, or € (0.25) diluted net loss per share compared to net earnings of € 18.5 million or € 0.37 diluted net earnings per share for the first quarter of 2001.

Net sales

Net sales amounted to € 100.6 million for the first quarter of 2002, a decline of 49.9% compared to net sales for the first quarter of 2001 and 4.5% below the sales level of the fourth quarter of 2001.

Operations

The *gross profit margin* amounted to 33.0% of net sales, 8.7 percentage points below the gross profit margin of 41.7% of net sales in the first quarter of 2001, and 4.0 percentage points below the 37.0% gross profit margin realized in the fourth quarter of 2001. The lower margin is primarily the result of fixed manufacturing costs in relation to the low sales volumes, resulting in under-utilization of the manufacturing capacity. Secondly the mix of products sold in the first quarter of 2002 with lower margins for new technology sales did have a negative impact.

Selling, general and administrative expenses decreased 29.2% from € 31.6 million in the first quarter of 2001 to € 22.4 million in the first quarter of 2002, and decreased 13.8% from the € 26.0 million level in the fourth quarter of 2001. As a percentage of net sales, selling, general and administrative expenses were 22.3% in the first quarter of 2002, compared to 15.8% in the first quarter of 2001.

Research and development expenses increased from € 19.0 million or 9.4% of net sales in the first quarter of 2001 to € 20.5 million or 20.4% of net sales in the first quarter of 2002, which was slightly below the € 21.0 in research and development expenses in the fourth quarter of 2001.

Amortization of goodwill. As of January 1, 2002 the company adopted SFAS 142 “Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets” This new accounting standard requires that goodwill not be amortized, but rather be tested at least annually for impairment. Consequently, the company stopped amortizing goodwill as of January 1, 2002. The company did not record an impairment loss upon adoption of SFAS 142. Amortization of goodwill in the first quarter of 2001 amounted to € 1.8 million.

Earnings (loss) from operations amounted to € (9.8) million for the first quarter of 2002 compared to earnings from operations of € 33.1 million for the same period in 2001.

Bookings and backlog

New orders received in the first quarter of 2002 amounted to € 108.2 million, 15.8% higher than the € 93.4 million level of new orders received in the fourth quarter of 2001. The backlog at the end of March 2002 amounted to € 140.2 million, an increase of 5.7% compared to € 132.6 million at the end of December 31, 2001. The book-to-bill ratio for the first quarter of 2002 was 1.08 compared to 0.89 in the fourth quarter of 2001 and above 1.0 for the first time since the third quarter of 2000.

Outlook

Over the past few months, ASMI has witnessed improved sentiment in the industry and among its customers for a semiconductor market rebound and the subsequent higher demand for capital equipment. However the pace in which this recovery will take place is still uncertain.

The company believes, that for the upturn in the industry it is well positioned in the front-end segment of the semiconductor equipment market due to its strategies in 300 mm, low-k, high-k, SiGe and copper, and in the back-end segment due to its established position as a leading supplier of a full spectrum of innovative products.

ASMI also strongly believes that its firm commitment to research and development, its readiness in new technologies, design-in wins at top-tier customers as well as recent strategic partnerships provide the Company with a broad basis for substantial long-term market share gains.

Based on the increasing level of orders booked and customer requests for production slots in the second half of this year, ASMI believes firm purchase orders will continue to increase over the next few months.

While ASMI expects higher order activity in the near term, the company anticipates for the second quarter of 2002 sales and net losses at comparable or slightly improved levels when compared to the first quarter of this year.



ASM INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CALL

ASM International will host an investor conference call and web cast on

TUESDAY, April 23, 2002 at

9:00 a.m. US Eastern time

15:00 Continental European time.

The teleconference dial-in numbers are as follows:

United States: 800.553.0273

International: +1 612.332.0345

The teleconference will be available for digitized replay from 2:30 p.m. (U.S. Eastern time) on Tuesday, April 23, 2002 through Thursday, April 25, 2002 at 11:59 p.m. (U.S. Eastern time).

The replay numbers are:

United States: 800.475.6701

International: +1 320.365.3844.

In both cases, the following access code is required: 634513.

A simultaneous audio web cast will be accessible at www.asm.com and www.companyboardroom.com.

About ASM

ASM International N.V. based in Bilthoven, the Netherlands, is a global company servicing one of the most important and demanding industries in the world. The Company possesses a strong technology base, state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities, a competent and qualified workforce and a highly trained, strategically distributed support network. ASM International and its subsidiaries design and manufacture equipment and materials used to produce semiconductor devices. ASM International and its subsidiaries provide production solutions for wafer processing (front-end segment) as well as assembly and packaging (back-end segment) through facilities in the United States, Europe, Japan and Asia. ASM International's common stock trades on Nasdaq (symbol ASMI) and the Euronext Amsterdam Stock Exchange (symbol ASM). For more information, visit ASMI's website at <http://www.asm.com>.

Safe Harbor Statement under the U.S. Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: All matters discussed in this statement, except for any historical data, are forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. These include, but are not limited to, economic conditions and trends in the semiconductor industry, currency fluctuations, the timing of significant orders, market acceptance of new products, competitive factors, litigation involving intellectual property, shareholder and other issues, commercial and economic disruption due to terrorist activity, armed conflict or political instability and other risks indicated in the company's filings from time to time with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, including, but not limited to, the company's report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2001.

ASM INTERNATIONAL N.V.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

(thousands except per share data)	in Euro	
	Three months ended March 31,	
	2001	2002
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Net sales	200,621	100,571
Cost of sales	(116,902)	(67,419)
Gross profit	83,719	33,152
Operating expenses:		
Selling, general and administrative	(31,645)	(22,403)
Research and development	(18,956)	(20,549)
Amortization of goodwill	(1,831)	-
Total operating expenses	(52,432)	(42,952)
Earnings (loss) from operations	31,287	(9,800)
Net interest and other financial income (expenses)	1,196	(2,319)
Earnings (loss) before income taxes and minority interest	32,483	(12,119)
Income taxes	(5,528)	993
Earnings (loss) before minority interest	26,955	(11,126)
Minority interest	(8,425)	(1,044)
Net earnings (loss)	18,530	(12,170)
Net earnings (loss) per share:		
Basic	0.38	(0.25)
Diluted (1)	0.37	(0.25)
Weighted average number of shares used in computing per share amounts (in thousands):		
Basic	48,836	49,097
Diluted (1)	49,900	49,097

- (1) The calculation of diluted net earnings (loss) per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other contracts to issue common stock were exercised or converted into common stock or resulted in the issuance of common stock that then shared in earnings of the company. Only instruments that have a dilutive effect on net earnings (loss) are included in the calculation. The assumed conversion results in adjustment in the weighted average number of common shares and net earnings (loss) due to the related impact on interest expense. The calculation is done for each reporting period individually. Due to the loss reported in the three months ended March 31, 2002, the effect of securities and other contracts to issue common stock were anti-dilutive and no adjustments have been reflected in the diluted weighted average number of shares and net earnings (loss) for that period.

At March 31, 2002: 1 Euro = 0.8724 US\$.

All figures are based on US GAAP.

Accounting principles applied are unchanged compared to the year 2001, except for the accounting of goodwill. As of January 1, 2002 the company adopted SFAS 142 "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets", which requires that goodwill not be amortized, but rather be tested at least annually for impairment. The company did not record an impairment loss upon adoption of SFAS 142 as of January 1, 2002.

Auditors: Deloitte & Touche, Accountants

Stock: Traded on the Nasdaq National Market

System under the symbol 'ASMI' and on the

Euronext Amsterdam Stock Exchange under the symbol 'ASM'

ASM INTERNATIONAL N.V.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(thousands except share data)	In Euro	
	December 31,	March 31,
Assets	2001	2002
		(unaudited)
Cash and cash equivalents	107,577	96,347
Marketable securities	5	5
Accounts receivable, net	136,615	117,772
Inventories, net	206,027	210,783
Income taxes receivable	4,103	5,163
Other current assets	21,110	22,289
Total current assets	475,437	452,359
Property, plant and equipment, net	191,081	187,390
Goodwill, net	64,306	64,762
Other assets	26,241	25,903
Total Assets	757,065	730,414
Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		
Notes payable to banks	16,231	14,479
Accounts payable	61,737	55,511
Accrued expenses	85,794	78,739
Advance payments from customers	6,309	6,155
Deferred revenue	11,562	8,354
Income taxes payable	4,227	3,472
Current portion of long-term debt	2,179	1,566
Total current liabilities	188,039	168,276
Deferred income taxes	1,977	1,943
Long-term debt	11,720	11,292
Convertible subordinated debt	130,728	131,825
Total Liabilities	332,464	313,336
Minority interest in subsidiary	103,691	105,713
Shareholders' Equity:		
Common shares		
Authorized 110,000,000 shares, par value € 0.04, issued and outstanding 49,070,296 and 49,115,406 shares	1,963	1,965
Financing preferred shares, issued none	-	-
Preferred shares, issued none	-	-
Capital in excess of par value	252,892	253,250
Retained earnings	64,916	52,746
Accumulated other comprehensive income	1,139	3,404
Total Shareholders' Equity	320,910	311,365
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity	757,065	730,414

ASM INTERNATIONAL N.V.
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(thousands)	in Euro	
	Three months ended March 31,	
	2001	2002
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net earnings (loss)	18,530	(12,170)
Depreciation and amortization	9,898	10,382
Amortization of debt issuance costs	-	389
Deferred income taxes	(211)	(49)
Minority interest	8,425	1,044
Changes in other assets and liabilities	(10,651)	(4,479)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	25,991	(4,883)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Net capital expenditures	(22,259)	(5,143)
Net cash (used in) investing activities	(22,259)	(5,143)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Notes payable to banks, net	21,882	(1,873)
Proceeds from issuance of shares	109	360
Proceeds from long-term debt and subordinated debt	1,511	501
Repayments of long-term debt and subordinated debt	(12,510)	(1,590)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	10,992	(2,602)
Exchange rate effects	5,199	1,398
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	19,923	(11,230)