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Press release

VINCI acquires network integrator in the Netherlands

VINCI Energies, a VINCI subsidiary, has acquired Netlink, a Netherlands company.

Netlink specialises in design, implementation and maintenance in the network integration and administration segment, as well as in IT security, VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) and SAN (Storage Area Networks).

The company has 51 employees and generated sales of around €13.5 million in 2003.

The acquisition strengthens VINCI Energies' network of subsidiaries operating under the Axians brand, which specialises in network integration and business communications. Axians has 900 employees in Europe and generated sales of €120 million in 2003.

The Netlink acquisition also expands Axians' operations in Europe in a strong-growth segment currently undergoing consolidation.

VINCI Energies is market leader in France and a major player in Europe in the energy and information technologies sectors. In 2003, with 26,000 employees, the company generated sales of over €3billion, of which 30% outside France. VINCI Energies comprises a network of over 700 companies operating in more than 20 countries, mainly in Europe.

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