

# MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

<b>Date:</b>	5th April 2011
<b>To:</b>	Australian Securities Exchange
<b>Subject:</b>	COMPUTERSHARE TO EXTEND ISSUER SERVICES FOOTPRINT IN CONTINENTAL EUROPE

Computershare Limited (**ASX:CPU**) has agreed to purchase Servizio Titoli SpA from the London Stock Exchange Group PLC. The acquisition is expected to complete in mid May following satisfaction of various formal conditions, including finalisation of audited accounts for the year to 31 March 2011. The transaction values the Servizio Titoli business at 30 million Euros plus an amount of up to 2.4 million Euros for the net cash balance as at completion.

Servizio Titoli is Italy's leading provider of issuer services, including meetings and dividend register management, working on behalf of more than 50% of Italy's listed companies. Servizio Titoli has offices in Milan, Turin and Rome and has approximately 50 employees. It has revenues of approximately 9.3 million Euros.

Computershare already has a presence in Italy through its Georgeson proxy solicitation business. As in other regions, the two businesses will work alongside each other, benefiting from mutual client relationships and the Computershare global network.

Please see attached copy press announcement to be released today.

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#### **About Computershare Limited (CPU)**

Computershare (ASX:CPU) is a global market leader in transfer agency and share registration, employee equity plans, proxy solicitation and stakeholder communications. We also specialise in corporate trust services, tax voucher solutions, bankruptcy administration and a range of other diversified financial and governance services.

Founded in 1978, Computershare is renowned for its expertise in data management, high volume transaction processing, payments and stakeholder engagement. Many of the world's leading organisations use these core competencies to help maximise the value of relationships with their investors, employees, creditors, members and customers. Computershare is represented in all major financial markets and has over 10,000 employees worldwide.

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## **About Servizio Titoli**

Servizio Titoli offers a complete range of products and services for listed companies and IPOs. Our support is targeted towards the management of shareholders, annual general meetings, corporate secretaries and investor relations. Thanks to our branches in Milan, Rome and Turin which assure a presence in the main financial centres and proximity to our clients' premises, our service is always efficient, timely and innovative.

## NEWS RELEASE

<b>Date:</b>	5 <sup>th</sup> April 2011
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>COMPUTERSHARE AGREES TO ACQUIRE ITALY'S LEADING SUPPLIER OF ISSUER SERVICES</b>

Computershare Limited (ASX:CPU) has agreed to purchase Servizio Titoli SpA, Italy's leading provider of issuer services, from the London Stock Exchange Group PLC.

Operating since 1995, Servizio Titoli has approximately 50 employees based in Milan, Turin and Rome, delivering meeting and dividend register management services to more than 50% of Italy's listed companies.

"The agreement to purchase Servizio Titoli follows through on our commitment to build our Continental European business, as reflected in the recent separation of management of Continental Europe from the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Ireland and Africa", said Stuart Crosby, Computershare's CEO. "Our global clients expect us to be able to offer them services across the world, and this acquisition materially enhances our Italian offering. We support our clients in over 20 countries on five continents."

Steffen Herfurth, Computershare's Group Managing Director for Continental Europe said: 'We're really excited to be extending our footprint in Continental Europe with this acquisition. As the leading provider in the Italian market, Servizio Titoli is a perfect fit for our business and continues our strategy of offering premium services across major CE countries.'

Computershare already owns Georgeson, a leading global proxy solicitation business and an established brand in the Italian marketplace.

Computershare is practiced at the integration of acquisitions, having successfully undertaken over 80 globally in the past 15 years. Existing clients of Servizio Titoli can expect service to continue as usual.

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### **About Georgeson Italy**

Georgeson is the world's leading provider of stakeholder intelligence; global information agent; proxy solicitation and corporate governance advisory services. In 2010, Georgeson was the No. 1 proxy solicitor for M&A transactions worldwide. Georgeson has been present in Italy since 1999, offering its portfolio of services to listed companies representing more than 80% of total Italian market capitalization. For more information, please visit [www.georgeson.it](http://www.georgeson.it)

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