

## **Trion Technology Announces Strategic Alliance with Crystec Technology Trading GmbH**

Clearwater, FL, USA, March 13, 2007 - Trion Technology, manufacturer of plasma etch, strip and deposition systems for critical surfaces in the semiconductor and related industries, today announced a strategic alliance with European distributor, Crystec Technology Trading GmbH, Altoetting, Germany. Crystec will distribute and support Trion's full line of products to customers throughout Europe.

Crystec provides Trion Technology further penetration into the European market with an installed service and support network. Trion's products expand Crystec's market offerings to the European customer base.

"We are pleased to have this cooperation with Trion Technology. They have a strong product range for RIE etching including ICP and microwave plasma generation as well as for PECVD. We have contacted most of the existing European customers and have had only positive feedback," commented Dr. Ralph Lüdicke, President of Crystec. Market concentration will be centered on total solutions for high brightness solid state lighting, III-V, failure analysis development and implementation as well as high reliability, low-cost ashing/stripping solutions. Key accounts include major companies in the semiconductor industry, government research, universities, and research and development laboratories.

"This alliance demonstrates Trion's continued dedication to providing world-class customer service and support," stated Graham Muir, Trion International Sales Manager. "We believe that providing highly responsive service is an essential factor in making our customers happy," he continued.

### **The Companies**

#### **Trion Technology**

Trion Technology manufactures simple, state-of-the-art plasma etch (RIE/ICP), strip and deposition (PECVD) systems for the Compound Semiconductor, MEMS, Opto-Electronic and other markets. Trion's products feature the smallest footprint and lowest cost systems in the industry with proven production reliability. For more information, visit [www.triontech.com](http://www.triontech.com)

#### **Crystec Technology Trading GmbH**

Crystec Technology Trading GmbH is a European trading and service company that sells semiconductor equipment; LCD equipment; automotive equipment; furnaces; furnace accessories; equipment for the production of flat panel displays as well as grinding machines. For more information, visit [www.crystec.com](http://www.crystec.com)