

A few months after the launch of the Nagra Jazz

## Audio Technology Switzerland presents the second model of its new generation of preamplifiers: Nagra Melody

CES, Las Vegas, USA – January 8th 2013. The Nagra Jazz valve amplifier launched during 2012 was the first machine of a new generation which is destined to replace its legendary predecessors, the Nagra PL-P and the Nagra PL-L. For CES 2013, Audio Technology Switzerland reveals a second model ready to ship, the Nagra Melody based on transistor circuits.

The Nagra Melody preamplifier, like the Nagra Jazz, breaks with the company's tradition of naming its high-end machines with a multi-lettered acronym. It was thought that using a name connected with music was more evocative and nearer the truth for a brand which for more than fifty years has taken part in some of the world's finest recordings, such as those carried out during the prestigious Montreux Jazz Festival where Nagra has been a partner for many years.



Situated beneath the Nagra Jazz in terms of pricing, the Melody is nonetheless a preamplifier of the highest quality. The engineers have worked especially hard on reducing the noise threshold so that the machine can match the quietest sources currently available, be they analogical or digital. The circuits have been entirely designed with the most silent components. Those which have a direct influence on the sound are painstakingly selected for their audio qualities. The transistors are measured, sorted and paired up: 60% of them are rejected after testing. The extreme rigour with which every detail of these electronics has been produced results in immensely precise and totally stable operation and consequently, an exceptionally transparent and neutral listening experience.

The Nagra Melody preamplifier can be operated by remote control (volume, mute). It offers five Cinch inputs and two switchable outputs, one XLR and one Cinch. The machine can also be equipped with an optional Nagra external power supply and a phono circuit with bipolar transistors, directly inspired by the highly reputed Nagra BPS phono preamplifier.



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*Nagra machines are designed and produced by Audio Technology Switzerland, in Romanel-sur-Lausanne. The company is active in two different markets – professional recorders and its Hi-Fi range - driven by a dedication to excellence which has contributed to the prestige of the Nagra brand since 1951.*