

VIA equity announces first closing of VIA equity Fund V

VIA equity is pleased to announce the first closing of VIA equity Fund V.

The VIA equity Fund V first closing of MDKK 1,475 (MEUR 200) in July is a successful first step in the fundraising process initiated earlier this year.

Managing partner Benjamin Kramarz says: “We are extraordinarily proud that we, on plan, had a first closing of our Fund V during a period with unusual economic uncertainties and with a fundraising market in turmoil.”

Limited partners in VIA equity Fund V are high caliber international brand name investors and other acknowledged organisations, among others including Nordea, clients advised by J.P. Morgan Global Alternatives, eQ, Rothschild Merchant Banking, Qualitas, RAG Stiftung, Cubera, Private Equity Club SCSp, and Gaardboe-Jensen family office.

“The inbound international investor interest for committing to VIA equity Fund V has been and is extraordinary and overwhelming. We are fortunate to be in a situation where the interest seems to be substantially larger than our fundraising target. Accordingly, VIA equity expects to follow the plan with a sequential closing in this ½ year”, Benjamin Kramarz continues.

“Simultaneously, we are humbled and at the same time very pleased with the fact that all the important participants in VIA equity Fund IV, as for example J.P. Morgan Global Alternatives, Rothschild Merchant Banking, eQ, Cubera, Nordea and Gaardboe-Jensen family office, have committed in this first closing to continue the cooperation with VIA equity in VIA equity Fund V.”

VIA equity’s strategy remains unchanged, and VIA equity has been fundraising on a strong platform of excellent performance for VIA equity Fund II, VIA equity Fund III and VIA equity Fund IV.

The VIA equity Fund V with a target size of MEUR 250 will finance all new VIA platform investments from today.

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About VIA equity:

VIA equity is a leading Northern European software & IT private equity firm with an excellent track record of building and transforming investments into national and international industry leaders. VIA equity invests in companies of all sizes, with a primary focus on companies with a turnover of EUR 10 million to EUR 100 million. VIA equity a/s is the management company for five funds, of which the latest fund alone will have committed capital of EUR 250 million. Headquartered in Copenhagen and with an office in Munich, VIA equity invests in successful software & IT companies.

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About J.P. Morgan Global Alternatives Private Equity Group

The J.P. Morgan Global Alternatives Private Equity Group (PEG) as the Private Equity platform of J.P. Morgan Asset Management has been investing in Private Equity since 1980. An extensive history in the space has enabled strong relationships with some of the world's most successful private equity managers. While PEG's corporate finance portfolios cross industry sectors and stages of business development, the majority of the focus has historically been in the small to mid-sized market. The Group's investment targets have been high-growth oriented investments, typically generated through acquisition, fundamental business change, or top line growth. While PEG's largest target market is in the U.S the Group also actively invest in China, Europe, the U.K, India and Israel.

About eQ

eQ has been investing in private equity funds since the end of 1990s. eQ's fund of funds focus exclusively on lower midmarket buyout and growth capital funds that invest in Northern Europe and North America. In addition, the private equity team manages venture capital and private credit strategies. As of 30 June 2023, eQ Asset Management's assets under management totaled to EUR 9,9 billion, out of which EUR 3,9 billion in private equity funds and mandates.

About Rothschild Merchant Banking

Merchant Banking is the investment arm of Rothschild & Co. It deploys Rothschild & Co's capital, alongside that of a select set of leading institutional and private investors. With global assets under management of more than €24bn, Rothschild Merchant Banking manages a series of funds dedicated to corporate and secondary private equity, multi-managers funds and co-investments, as well as senior and junior credits. The team has offices in Paris, London, New York, San Francisco and Luxembourg.

About Qualitas

Qualitas Funds is a leading investment firm with c.EUR 1 billion in assets under management, focusing on private equity solutions in the lower mid-market including fund of funds, co-investment, and NAV lending strategies for PE funds in Europe. Headquartered in Madrid (Spain), the firm serves more than 1000 institutional, family offices and retail clients with a dedicated team of over 25 professionals. Recent vehicles launched include Qualitas Direct II, Qualitas Continuation Finance I, and Qualitas Funds VI.

About RAG Stiftung

RAG-Stiftung is a private foundation that was established in 2007. At the beginning of 2019, the RAG-Stiftung took over the responsibility for financing the perpetual obligations of the German hard coal mining industry in the Ruhr and Saar regions. In addition, RAG-Stiftung supports numerous projects in the areas of education, science, and culture in the former mining regions. RAG-Stiftung has been investing in Private Equity since 2012. The market value of the PE investments currently amounts to more than EUR 3 billion.

Further information on RAG-Stiftung is available at: www.rag-stiftung.de

About Cubera

Cubera is a specialized investment firm offering investors tailored and diversified exposure to private equity. On behalf of Nordic and international clients, the firm advises EUR 4.5 billion out of offices in Oslo and Stockholm.

About PE Club

Private Equity Club (PE Club) is a fund of funds headed by Nicolas Paulmier, who has worked more than 30 years in private equity, notably Cinven. PE Club's investors are qualified individuals (high-quality entrepreneurs, CEO's, PE Partners) and family offices, collaborating to build a balanced high-quality portfolio. PE Club sources, selects and provides access to top performing funds across North America and Europe.