

VIA invests in SEMA

VIA acquires SEMA together with LEA Partners and the management

VIA equity and the current management acquired the SEMA group, a leading German CAD/CAM software provider in the timber construction industry from its private owners. Furthermore, VIA equity was able to win the German software investor LEA Partners as co-investor to join forces for the future development of SEMA. The acquisition was supported by Crescent Capital Europe providing a flexible and long-term financing solution.

Located in Wildpoldsried, Germany, SEMA was established in 1984 and has since then developed into a major player with a significant market share in the European timber construction industry.

SEMA's software solutions enable carpentries and prefabricated timber house manufacturers to design, plan, construct and finally produce the timber parts on the corresponding joinery machines.

"We have investigated the European market for CAD/CAM software and identified SEMA as the clear market leader with the best and most comprehensive solution, the strongest profile and a huge growth potential. We are very excited to be part of the next phase of SEMA's growth and continuous development. SEMA's software supports the digitalization and optimization of processes and data of its customers and the application of the BIM paradigm within the building industry.", says Sebastian Alexander Maciejewski, investment responsible at VIA equity.

SEMA employs more than 80 people in various countries and has a remarkable customer base with both small, medium-sized and large companies, in many cases with relationships of more than 15 years.

"In many discussions and during the negotiation process, VIA equity convinced us of their professionalism and know-how in the field of IT and software. Together with LEA Partners, they provide the best fit for achieving the next level of growth and maturity of our group.", says Alexander Neuss, CEO, current and future co-shareholder of SEMA.

VIA equity, LEA Partners and the management plan to execute on SEMA's potential, accelerate the current development and further strengthen the company's market position based on a solid combination of industry know-how, software expertise and financial strength.

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About VIA equity

VIA equity is a leading Northern European multi-stage private equity firm focusing on technology and service industries. VIA equity Fond I K/S, Fond II K/S and Fond III K/S all have a confirmed capital of DKK 1 billion (i.e. DKK 3 billion in total). VIA equity Fund III K/S has the pension companies PFA and ATP as equal investors with a total of over 99% of the capital. The remaining capital is invested by the employees of VIA equity A/S. VIA equity is management company for the funds. Technically, VIA equity is a multi-stage private equity fund, meaning that the fund invests in both large, medium-sized and small companies. At the same time, VIA equity is more focused on specific industry segments than many of the capital fund colleagues in the industry. Historically, VIA equity has among others invested in software, internet,

technology, energy- and service companies. Examples of current and exited software and IT-companies include among others: Adra Software AS, KMD A/S, Adform ApS, ePocket Solutions AS, DDD Retail A/S, Projectplace AB, ComActivity AB, Dolphin Software AS, Frontmatec A/S, Daldata AS, Hostnordic A/S, UVData A/S, Conscia A/S, Nets A/S, Profit Software Oy and Mansoft A/S.