

KeBeK Private Equity sells Alphamin to Brenntag

Strombeek-Bever, August 16, 2018 – KeBeK Private Equity has today announced the exit of its stake in Alphamin SA to Brenntag, the global leader in chemical distribution. Alphamin is a specialty distributor, focusing on waxes, elastic modifiers and specialty polymers and serving customers in a wide range of industries across all continents.

Alphamin is a privately-held company headquartered in Wavre, Belgium, with its subsidiary Alphamin Inc., based in New Jersey, USA. Its 20 employees serve hundreds of customers worldwide, mainly in Europe and the USA, and active in various industries, such as construction, building materials, automotive, cosmetics, printing, plastics, etc. Alphamin is recognized by both its customers and suppliers as a valuable partner thanks to a.o. its deep product expertise and flawless services in terms of logistics support. Alphamin will allow Brenntag to improve its technical resources, expand its presence in attractive niche markets and strengthening its offer to customers in its material science segment.

In the financial year ended on June 30, 2018, Alphamin has generated sales of approx. 45 million EUR. KeBeK Private Equity acquired a majority stake in Alphamin in January 2014 and has, together with Alphamin's management team, successfully implemented a product portfolio optimization since then. The Sellers were assisted by BNP Paribas Corporate Finance (financial advisor) and Baker & McKenzie (legal advisor).

About KeBeK Private Equity

KeBeK is an independent Belgian private equity fund, that invests in solid, small to medium-sized companies with a demonstrable potential for further value enhancement. KeBeK actively supports the management teams of its portfolio companies with the implementation of a jointly defined corporate strategy. KeBeK generally acquires controlling stakes, without, however, interfering with the daily operations. KeBeK's current portfolio is composed of 7 companies. The fund is managed by 4 partners, who have been working together for many years and who have a proven track record in the private equity industry. KeBeK's capital is provided by renowned institutional investors, family offices, and successful entrepreneurs.

Find more information on www.kebek.be.

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About Brenntag

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemical distribution, covers all major markets with its extensive product and service portfolio. Headquartered in Essen, Germany, the company operates a global network with more than 530 locations in 74 countries and a workforce of more than 16,000 employees. In 2017, the company generated sales of EUR 11.7 billion (USD 13.3 billion) worldwide. Brenntag connects chemical manufacturers and chemical users. The company supports its customers and suppliers with tailor-made distribution solutions for industrial and specialty chemicals. With over 10,000 products and a world-class supplier base, Brenntag offers one-stop-shop solutions to around 185,000 customers. This includes specific application technology, an extensive technical support and value-added services such as just-in-time delivery, product mixing, formulation, repackaging, inventory management and drum return handling. Long-standing experience and local excellence in the individual countries characterize the global market leader for chemical distribution.

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