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## IK Investment Partners opens Amsterdam office

**IK Investment Partners (“IK”), a leading Pan-European private equity firm, announces today that it has opened an office in Amsterdam at UNStudio, 13<sup>th</sup> floor, Gustav Mahlerlaan 350, 1082 ME Amsterdam.**

The Amsterdam office will be led by Partner and Head of Benelux, Remko Hilhorst who has been with IK since 2001. In addition to the existing mid cap team, consisting of a total of six investment professionals, IK is extending its small cap strategy and establishing a Benelux-dedicated team. Together, the two Amsterdam-based teams will focus on investments with enterprise values of up to €500m, partnering with entrepreneurs who are looking for support to help them achieve the next stage of their company’s growth and development.

IK has been present in the Benelux region since 1995 and has completed thirteen successful investments during this time. IK’s current portfolio includes four companies in the Benelux region including CID LINES, the dedicated supplier of innovative hygiene solutions, Salad Signature, the leading producer of spreadable salads, Ampelmann, the global market leader in offshore access and DGI, a leading supplier of power, motion and control solution for the oil & gas, maritime and high-end machine building industries. Having an office and teams located in the region will allow IK to better help companies to achieve their growth plans.

To date, over €1bn has been invested into the Benelux region through IK’s funds. In recent years, IK has been one of the most active regional players with notable transactions including Vemedia, the market leader of OTC drugs which was sold to Cooper last year, Wehkamp, one of Holland’s leading online retailers, Magotteaux, the leading manufacturer of cast wear parts for cement and mining industries and fund administrator Vistra, amongst many others.

Remko Hilhorst, Partner and Head of Benelux at IK Investment Partners said:

“We are excited to announce the opening of our Amsterdam office. Ever since IK’s inception in 1989, we identified the Benelux as a unique region fertile with investment opportunities thanks to the number of entrepreneurs and family-owned businesses which operate here. We are particularly pleased to have both a mid cap and small cap practice operating on the ground, allowing the firm to capitalise on the synergies which are present in the market and giving the teams a superb investing platform from which to execute transactions.”

Christopher Masek, Partner and CEO at IK Investment Partners said:

“Our strategy remains focused on partnering with ambitious management teams and growth businesses, and helping them realising their full potential. Given the success IK has seen with its investments in the Benelux over the years, we look forward to further building on our track record and supporting the local business community.”

### About IK Investment Partners

IK Investment Partners (“IK”) is a Pan-European private equity firm focused on investments in the Nordics, DACH region, France, and Benelux. Since 1989, IK has raised more than €9 billion of capital and invested in over 100 European companies. IK funds support companies with strong underlying potential, partnering with management teams and investors to create robust, well positioned businesses with excellent long-term prospects. For more information, visit [www.ikinest.com](http://www.ikinest.com)

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