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Rivean Capital has acquired a majority stake in Acture Group from IK Partners

Press Release

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Nijmegen/Amsterdam – Rivean Capital (“Rivean”) is pleased to announce that it has signed a definitive agreement to acquire a majority stake in Acture Group (“Acture” or “the Group”), a leading provider of holistic employee welfare solutions, from IK Partners (“IK”). The stake is being acquired from the IK Small Cap II (“IK SC II”) Fund, with Co-Founder and current CEO Maudie Derks, as well as the management team, reinvesting alongside Rivean.

Founded in 2008 and headquartered in Nijmegen, the Netherlands, Acture is a specialised outsourced service provider supporting corporates and staffing agencies in managing employee absence. The Group has an integrated approach to employee welfare, offering complementary services such as absence management and reduction, including case management and reintegration programmes, combined with an absence insurance proposition.

Acture’s heritage and longstanding experience as a pioneer in the private social security services market in the Netherlands have resulted in large amounts of valuable data being translated into innovative case management solutions supported by proprietary technology. With IK’s support since 2020, the Group completed four add-on acquisitions in the Netherlands and three in Germany, to further complement its proposition and expand its geographical footprint. Acture is also currently rolling out a mental health absence management platform, Evermood, in the Netherlands and the DACH region. Through its full-service offering, Acture is well positioned to fully unburden customers who are confronted with labour market shortages and rising absenteeism costs. At present, the Group employs approximately 390 full-time employees across its offices in the Netherlands and Germany.

Ready for the next phase of growth

The Group’s ambition to reinforce its position as a leading European provider of specialised outsourced services and insurance products requires further investment in the organisation to help develop its digital offering and platform capabilities. With Rivean’s support, Acture will continue along its international growth trajectory, accelerating the execution of its strategic growth plan and transforming from a leading Dutch player in the social security market, to a European total employee welfare platform.

Maudie Derks, CEO of Acture, said: “With the recent add-on acquisitions, Acture has taken its first steps into the international arena while simultaneously expanding its offering with a tech-driven wellbeing proposition. Through the new partnership with Rivean, we plan to accelerate our international roll-out, advance our ambitious growth trajectory and further develop the total employee welfare management concept. We would like to thank IK for their support over the past few years and look forward to joining forces with Rivean.”

Nikolai Pronk, Managing Partner at Rivean Capital, commented: “We are very impressed by Acture’s leading market position, supporting its customers with an integrated offering and with a track record of consistent growth. We look forward to partnering with Maudie and the management team to support Acture in its next development and international growth phase.”

Sander van Vreumingen, Partner at IK and Advisor to the IK SC II Fund, added: “Over the past four years, we have had the pleasure of working very closely with Maudie and her team. From the start, we have been impressed with the combined professionalism and expertise of the team, which has enabled both the successful implementation of multiple organic growth initiatives and execution of several bolt-on acquisitions. We are proud of all that we have achieved in partnership with Acture and would like to wish Maudie and her team all the very best in the next stage of their journey.”

Completion of the transaction is subject to obtaining merger clearance, AFM and works council approval.

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About Rivean Capital

Rivean Capital (“Rivean”) is a leading European private equity investor for mid-market transactions, active in the DACH region, the Benelux countries, and Italy. Funds advised by Rivean Capital manage over EUR 5 billion in assets. Since its inception in 1982, Rivean has supported more than 250 companies in realizing their growth ambitions and has a strong track record of supporting and scaling successful high-tech businesses with cross-border growth agendas, including footprint expansions and operational excellence trajectories. Headquartered in Amsterdam, Netherlands, Rivean Capital also has offices in Brussels, Frankfurt/Main, Milan, and Zug, enabling a strong local presence across key European markets. For more information, visit riveancapital.com

About IK Partners

IK Partners (“IK”) is a European private equity firm focused on investments in the Benelux, DACH, France, Nordics and the UK. Since 1989, IK has raised more than €17 billion of capital and invested in over 195 European companies. IK supports 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 ikpartners.com

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