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## POELLATH advises the shareholders of the instant delivery service for medicines FIRST A on the take-over by SHOP APOTHEKE EUROPE

**SHOP APOTHEKE EUROPE acquires all company shares in the Berlin-based delivery service FIRST A. The founders and the current management team remain on board.**

SHOP APOTHEKE EUROPE is one of the leading and fastest growing online pharmacies in Europe and is currently active in Germany, Austria, France, Belgium, Italy, the Netherlands and Switzerland. SHOP APOTHEKE EUROPE is headquartered in the Dutch logistics center Sevenum near Venlo with branches in Cologne, Berlin, Munich, Warsaw, Milan, Lille, Eindhoven and Tongeren. From here, SHOP APOTHEKE EUROPE offers customers a wide range of more than 100,000 original products at attractive prices: OTC, beauty and personal care products, as well as prescription medicines, high-quality natural food and health products, low-carb products and sports nutrition. Currently, more than 8 million active customers trust SHOP APOTHEKE EUROPE.

The Berlin-based delivery service FIRST A offers free delivery of medicines and other pharmacy products within 30 minutes or at a pre-arranged time in five major German cities in partnership with local pharmacies. Quick Commerce is considered the growth engine among online delivery services.

POELLATH advised the shareholders of FIRST A with the following Munich team:

- Christian Tönies (partner, lead, M&A/VC)
- Dr. Tim Kaufhold (partner, M&A/PE)
- Dr. Nico Fischer (partner, tax law)
- Dr. Sebastian Gerlinger (counsel, M&A/VC)
- Markus Döllner (senior associate, M&A/VC)

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