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## POELLATH advises management of imes-icore Holding GmbH on sale to EMZ Partners

The European private equity firm [EMZ Partners](#) has acquired a majority stake in [imes-icore Holding GmbH](#) (“imes-icore”), a leading provider of CNC CAD/CAM systems for the dental industry. The seller is French investor [Ardian](#). In addition to EMZ, founder and CEO Christoph Stark, CFO/COO Christian Müller and other members of the imes-icore management team will remain or become significant shareholders of the company. The parties have agreed not to disclose the financial details of the transaction. The closing of the transaction is still subject to the customary regulatory approvals.

POELLATH provided comprehensive legal advice to the co-founder and CEO Christoph Stark and the management team of imes-icore in connection with the transaction

Founded in 2002 and based in Eiterfeld near Bad Hersfeld (Hesse, Germany), imes-icore is one of the global market leaders for digital dental CAD/CAM production systems. The company currently has the world’s largest portfolio of milling and grinding machines, covering all dental market segments such as dentists, dental clinics, dental laboratories and milling centers. imes-icore employs 274 people at locations in Germany, the USA and Southeast Asia.

EMZ Partners is a leading European investment company acting as a dedicated partner for medium-sized companies that own or are seeking to acquire a significant or majority stake in a company. The firm has invested in over 160 companies in the last 20 years, including manager buy-outs, minority shareholder buy-outs and add-on acquisitions.

POELLATH advised the co-founder and CEO Christoph Stark and the management team of imes-icore on all legal aspects of the transaction with the following Munich-based team:

- Dr. Benedikt Hohaus (partner, lead, management participation/private equity)
- Dr. Nico Fischer (partner, tax)
- Silke Simmer (senior associate, management participation/private equity)
- Andreas Gesell (associate, tax)
- Jan Lukas Jungclaus (associate, management participation/private equity)

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