



PRESS RELEASE

GLI, SBE and D.WAYS join EKIUM Group

Lyon, 2 July 2010 – Ekium, the industrial engineering French group mainly owned by Platina Partnership Ltd (Platina LP), a private equity funds advised by Platina Partners LLP, announced the full acquisition of GLI, SBE and D.WAYS, which until now was property of Groupe Mayor presided by F. Gomez-Llorens.

The newly-acquired companies represent altogether around 50 engineers, specialized in design engineering in the field of technical fluids and climatic engineering for sensitive buildings and data centres.

By taking part in this build-up, Platina confirms its support to its growth policy endeavoured over the last few years by the management, led by Philippe Lanoir.

This operation is perfectly in line with Ekium's geographical and sector-based strategy to speed up its presence in the Maghreb and Middle-East regions and also to strengthen its competencies in the service and public industries.

"This is an integral part of Platina's development strategy who joined nearly four years ago. This partnership has again been beneficial to the group as it has enabled us to increase our organic and external growth and reach new markets", stated Philippe Lanoir, Chairman of Ekium.

The buyer, Ekium, was advised by:

- Financial Due Diligence: Eight Advisory (Pascal Raidron, Xavier Mesguish et Florent Berckmans)
- Legal Counsel: Ayache, Salama et Associés (Sandrine Benaroya, Lucilia Grilo)

The vendor, Mayor Group, was advised by:

- Legal Counsel: Consilis (Jean Pessot)

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About Platina Limited Partnership ("Platina LP")

Created in June 2002, Platina Limited Partnership is a fund of €45m focussed on B2B services and industrial companies with positive outlooks and the potential to become national or European leaders. The fund aims at businesses based in UK, France or Belgium, with market capitals varying from €10 – 50m. The investment opportunity spans four to five years. The fund is managed by Platina Partners LLP, which is based in London. Main transactions include:

- **EKIUM** – French group specialised in industrial engineering and integration of automated systems
- **Locatel** – leading supplier of interactive systems for hotel rooms communication
- **Mikit** – French leading supplier of ready-to-finish individual houses
- **Compobaie** – French leader of pre-fabricated single unit windows
- **Infos Europe** – supplier of goods identification solutions and provider of related services

About GLI, SBE and D.WAYS

GLI is a French independent consulting and engineering company specialized in Safety, Security, Technical systems (Heating, Ventilating & Air Conditioning, Power and Lighting, Miscellaneous equipments), IT (Data, Voice, Image Transfer, Building Automation System (BAS), Maintenance System, Facilities Management (FM) and Building Management Systems (BMS) including crisis management capabilities.

SBE is

D.WAYS is a consulting and engineering company specialized in IT systems.

About Ekium

Founded in 1990, Ekium is a leading French industrial and service industries engineering group. Ekium covers the whole lifecycle of investments and operations on a large variety of projects by offering services to its clients spanning from consulting and engineering to realization.

Under contract or technical assistance schemes, Ekium professionals provide tailor-made solutions on each mission. Its 550 engineers and technicians are experts in process engineering, general installation, instrumentation & industrial analysis, automation, BTM/CTM, HVAC, system & network infrastructures, traceability / MES and laboratory robotics. Philippe Lanoir is the Chairman of the group.