



**Funds advised by Permira Debt Managers support Valantic,
a leading digital consulting and software provider**

15 April 2019 – Permira Debt Managers (“PDM”), one of Europe’s leading specialist debt investors, today announces that funds it advises are acting as senior secured lender to Deutsche Private Equity (“DPE”) in its acquisition of Valantic, a leading DACH-based digital consulting and software provider.

Valantic was founded in 2012 as DABERO Service Group and renamed in 2017, after 9 acquisitions in 6 years. It now has more than 800 customers across DACH, based in 13 locations and employing c.1,100 staff. The business has developed into a fully integrated technology enterprise platform providing services in the areas of financial services, enterprise software, business and predictive analytics, logistics and supply chain management.

Jens Bauer, Investment Director at PDM, commented:

“At PDM we continue to look to support ambitious niche market leaders with good structural resilience and Valantic fits that strategy. Valantic is a clear leader in its market and region with a sticky customer base, attractive financial profile and committed management team with its Founder at the helm.”

“We are also delighted to work with DPE for the first time in its acquisition of Valantic. They are well-regarded, high quality sponsor with a great track record in DACH. That expertise is clear in this acquisition.

“With such strength at a sponsor and management level the company’s future is in good hands, and we look forward to supporting the team and the company through the next stages of development.”

The PDM funds have now supported over 150 ambitious and fast-growing European companies with over €8bn of capital since PDM’s inception in 2007.

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About Permira Debt Managers

Permira Debt Managers is one of Europe’s leading specialist debt investors, advising investment funds and products which have provided more than €8bn of debt capital to over 150 European businesses. Owned by Permira and PDM’s partners, PDM was established in 2007 and aims to partner with high quality, growing businesses across Europe to provide the capital they require and



generate market-leading risk adjusted returns for investors.

To achieve this PDM follows three key investing strategies: Direct Lending, Structured Credit and CLO Management. PDM also has a distinctive origination platform which benefits from the strength of Permira's extensive network including 6 European investing offices in UK, France, Germany, Sweden, Italy and Spain, and 5 sector teams specialising in Consumer, Financial Services, Healthcare, Industrials and Technology.

About DPE

DPE Deutsche Private Equity (DPE) is an independent German investment company that invests in SMEs in Germany, Austria and Switzerland. Founded in 2007 in Munich by Volker Hichert and Marc Thiery, DPE has since successfully launched three funds. DPE thus manages total assets of € 1.2 billion. DPE's investors are institutional investors who invest for the long-term such as family offices, insurances, pension and umbrella funds. In addition, DPE has 60 private investors with whom DPE has worked together, for example in roles in DPE's advisory board or within its portfolio of companies.

Our investments also benefit from our international network through Parcom Capital, a founding partner in the Netherlands and France, when the growth strategies are implemented. Since our foundation, we have invested in 26 companies both as majority and minority shareholders and pursued 53 add-on investments.