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Polaris appoints

Polaris Private Equity (“Polaris”), the leading Danish/Swedish lower mid-market private equity investor, is delighted to announce the appointment of two new members of its team. Martin Lindh joins the firm as investment manager from SEB, while Thorsten Madsen, who also joins as a investment manager, was previously with Implement Consulting Group.

The appointments follow Polaris’s achievement of a successful first close on its latest private equity fund – Polaris Private Equity IV – at DKK 2.2 billion (€300 million). The fund has a target of DKK 3 billion and follows the same strategy as its predecessor fund, seeking to build value in lower mid-market Danish or Swedish companies through operational improvement and professionalization, consolidation programmes and international expansion.

Lindh previously worked in SEB Private Equity as investment manager. Prior to this he was with McKinsey for five years, where he was a senior associate in the private equity practice.

Madsen has five years’ consulting experience within M&A, company valuation, business modeling and corporate strategy. He began his career at KPMG, before moving to Deloitte and more recently Implement Consulting Group.

Jan Johan Kühl, Managing Partner at Polaris, commented:

“We are very pleased to be joined by two exceptional, high calibre individuals in Martin and Thorsten, both of whom will become valuable additions to our team. These appointments amplify the momentum we have developed in recent years and reflect Polaris’s continued growth into the leading lower mid-market private equity house in the Nordic region.”

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About Polaris Private Equity (www.polarisequity.dk)

Polaris Private Equity is a Danish/Swedish private equity fund, based in Copenhagen, focusing on buy-out investments in well-established lower mid-market companies in Denmark and Sweden.

Polaris' first fund of €188 million was realised in 2008, and Polaris has currently ca. €1 billion under management in three active funds. Polaris invests in companies with strong development potential and a typical turnover of €25-200 million. To date, Polaris has invested in 31 companies and exited 16 and has made more than 50 add-on investments in portfolio companies.

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