

Finish Group Vaisala acquires Leosphere

Chammas & Marcheteau acts as legal advisor to Idinvest Partners

Chammas & Marcheteau acted as legal advisor to **Idinvest Partners** on the sale of **Leosphere** to **Vaisala**, a Finish Group listed on Nasdaq Helsinki (VAIAS).

Vaisala acquires 100% of Leosphere's share capital previously owned by Oraxys, Idinvest Partners and its management.

Created in 2004, Leosphere has become in less than ten years the world leader in remote atmospheric measurement by Lidar (light detection and ranging). This technology has been developed in Onera's laboratory (*Office national d'études et de recherches aérospatiales*).

Leosphere develops, manufactures and markets optoelectronic systems for measuring the atmosphere and calculating wind speed. Leosphere currently employs 135 people in France and China.

This acquisition is a natural extension of Vaisala's Weather and Environment business area's strategy to drive industry leadership and growth through strengthening its position as a global leader in remote wind sensing technologies. In addition, Vaisala obtains atmospheric lidar technology with leading measurement accuracy.

Idinvest Partners' legal advisor: Chammas & Marcheteau (transactional and corporate aspects: Denis Marcheteau, partner and Stéphanie Bréjaud, counsel).

Oraxys' legal advisor: Lamartine (Maxime Dequesne).

Vaisala Group's legal advisor: McDermott Will & Emery (Carole Degonse).

Leosphere legal advisor: STC Partners (Delphine Bariani et Nawel Bacha).

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