

**Chammas & Marcheteau advises a consortium of investment funds led by Azulis Capital on the financing of the acquisition (LBO) of the Romanian company Axxon Composites (Nautical industry)**

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**Chammas & Marcheteau** advised Azulis Capital and its co-investors Société Générale Capital Partenaires, Arkéa Capital and the Fonds Souverain Auvergne Rhône-Alpes (managed by Siparex) – financial shareholders of the Wichard Group – in the financing of the acquisition of the Romanian company Axxon Composites. Axxon's management also joined the financing round on this occasion.

The deal was financed by senior debt arranged by Société Générale and CIC Lyonnaise de Banque with the Group's banking pool and by an additional contribution from financial shareholders.

Founded in 2010 and based in Brasov (Romania), Axxon, which manufactures carbon masts and booms for pleasure and racing boats, is now the European leader in the sub-60-foot segment, and equips a large number of Class40 racing boats.

Azulis Capital, one of the main private equity players in the lower midcap segment in France and committed to promoting ethical values and ESG issues, continues to support the Wichard group in its consolidation projects in France and abroad.

The **Chammas & Marcheteau** team consisted of **Pierre-Louis Sévegrand** (partner), **Pierre Rougemond** and **Vincent Lopez** (associates).

The financial shareholders and the Wichard group were advised on the acquisition by **Lamartine Conseil**, the team consisting of **Cédric Sapède** (partner) and **Salomé Bassouls** (associate).

The banking pool was advised by **Simmons & Simmons**, the team consisting of **Colin Millar** (partner), **Iva Parvanova** and **Ramzi Ouzeri** (associates).

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