## LATOUR CAPITAL

**Press Release** 

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## Latour Capital II reaches its hard cap of €300 million on the date of its first closing

Latour Capital announces the final closing of Latour Capital II at its hard cap of €300 million on the date of its first closing.

Latour Capital II is more than two and a half times the size of Latour Capital I, raised in 2012, and was largely over subscribed. Latour Capital II received commitments from about 25 investors, and was strongly supported by existing investors. Latour Capital II also attracted significant interest from a number of new long-term investors.

With this fundraising, Latour Capital significantly increased the international profile of its investors with funds coming from the United States, Switzerland, Denmark, the United Kingdom and Germany.

The performance of Latour Capital I, stemming notably from Latour Capital's ability to originate transactions well in advance of sale processes, from its focus on primary operations and from the operational expertise contributed to portfolio companies by the partners, was a major asset in the success of the fundraising.

Latour Capital II will continue the investment strategy led by Latour Capital I while targeting larger companies, with an enterprise value between €50 and 200 million.

Along with fundraising, Latour Capital completed its team with the recruitment of an Investment Director and a General Secretary – Chief Financial Officer who already joined the team. Three other professionals will join within the coming months. Latour Capital will count a total of 11 professionals led by Cédric Bannel and Philippe Leoni.

Latour Capital II already closed a first acquisition.

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## **About Latour Capital**

The three founders and partners of Latour Capital are Cédric Bannel, founder of Caradisiac.com, Philippe Leoni, CEO of Spir Group for 13 years and Alain Madelin, former Minister of Economy and Finance. Latour Capital is an independent management company, acting on the French private equity midcap segment, with over €400 million AUM. Latour Capital leverages the entrepreneurial mindset and operational expertise of its investment professionals to work alongside management teams and develop companies while creating value for all stakeholders. Since inception, Latour Capital completed around ten investments.

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