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## **CMS Hasche Sigle advises EDS on sale of its majority holding in IT services provider Itellium to Arcandor**

Essen – EDS Deutschland GmbH & Co. KG, part of the EDS Group, has sold its majority holding in EDS Itellium Systems & Services GmbH, the IT services provider of the Arcandor Group, to Corporate Service Informationstechnologie GmbH, an Arcandor Group company. The shares were transferred with effect from 1 April 2009. The purchase price was not disclosed.

A team from CMS Hasche Sigle, led by Dr Armin Dürschmidt and Richard Mitterhuber, advised EDS on all aspects of the transaction.

The Düsseldorf-based EDS Group is a world leader in technology services. It offers a broad portfolio for outsourcing information technology (ITO) as well as applications and business processes (BPO). Its global client base covers manufacturing, financial services, healthcare, communications, energy, transportation, retail, the consumer goods industry and government.

EDS generated annual sales of USD 22.1 billion in 2007. It has been part of US technology giant Hewlett-Packard since 2008.

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