

Apollo Tyres successfully advised by CMS on acquisition of reifencom Group

Cologne – Tyre manufacturer Apollo Tyres Ltd., headquartered in the Indian city of Gurgaon, has acquired the Bielefeld-based reifencom Group. The purchase price was around EUR 45.6 million. The acquisition of reifencom is part of Apollo Tyres' strategy to expand its European business. The transaction is currently awaiting approval from the competition authorities.

A team from CMS Germany led by Dr Richard Mayer-Uellner and Klaus Jäger advised Apollo Tyres Ltd. on all legal aspects of the acquisition. The transaction was conducted to a very tight schedule. CMS regularly acts for Apollo Tyres on transactions, with CMS Netherlands advising on the acquisition of Dutch tyre manufacturer Vredestein and other transactions being handled recently in Eastern Europe.

Apollo Tyres Ltd. is a listed company established in 1972, specialising in the manufacture and sale of tyres. It has production facilities in Asia and Europe, and a sales presence in more than 100 countries. The company generated sales of around USD 2.1 billion in the 2012/2013 financial year. Apollo has some 15,000 employees worldwide.

reifencom is Germany's first specialist tyre discounter, offering a broad range of low-cost branded tyres. reifencom GmbH has online shops in six countries – Germany, France, Italy, Austria, Switzerland and Denmark. The company also operates 37 branches and service centres throughout Germany. reifencom sources tyres and wheels from leading manufacturers, thereby guaranteeing a high level of quality, in line with its mission of offering top-class



products and services at competitive prices.

CMS Hasche Sigle Dr Richard Mayer-Uellner Klaus Jäger, both Lead Partner Erdinc Ünükür Annemarie Eva Lietmeyer, all Corporate Michael Kamps David Ziegelmayer, both IT and IP Lars Eckhoff Judith Börner, both Commercial Prof. Björn Gaul Tobias C Hahne Gero Müller, all Employment Philipp Schönnenbeck Christoph Grenz, both Real Estate Dr Michael Bauer Kirsten Baubkus, both Merger Control

Follow us on twitter: https://twitter.com/CMSHascheSigle

About CMS Hasche Sigle:

CMS Hasche Sigle is one of the leading commercial law firms in Germany. Proven specialists provide innovative advice that covers every conceivable national and international requirement.

More than 600 lawyers, tax advisers and notaries support German and international companies across a wide range of different industries. Clients include successful SMEs, global corporations and public institutions. CMS Hasche Sigle has offices in eight major German business locations, as well as in Brussels, Moscow, Beijing and Shanghai.

For more information, please visit <u>www.cms-hs.com</u>.

About CMS:



Founded in 1999, CMS is a top 10 international law firm, the largest in Europe, based on the number of lawyers (Am Law 2013 Global 100) and offers specialist advice in many different fields. With 59 offices in 33 countries across the world, employing more than 3,000 lawyers, CMS has longstanding expertise both at advising in its local jurisdictions and across borders. CMS acts for a large number of Fortune 500 companies and the FT European 500 and for the majority of the DAX 30.

CMS provides a wide range of expertise across 19 expert practice and sector areas including Banking and Finance, Commercial, Competition, Corporate/M&A, Dispute Resolution, Employment, Energy, Intellectual Property, Lifesciences, Real Estate, TMC and Tax.

For more information, please visit <u>www.cmslegal.com</u>.

CMS offices and associated offices: Aberdeen, Algiers, Amsterdam, Antwerp, Barcelona, Beijing, Belgrade, Berlin, Bratislava, Bristol, Brussels, Bucharest, Budapest, Casablanca, Cologne, Dubai, Duesseldorf, Edinburgh, Frankfurt, Geneva, Glasgow, Hamburg, Istanbul, Kyiv, Leipzig, Lisbon, Ljubljana, London, Luxembourg, Lyon, Madrid, Mexico City, Milan, Moscow, Munich, Muscat, Paris, Podgorica, Prague, Rio de Janeiro, Rome, Sarajevo, Seville, Shanghai, Sofia, Strasbourg, Stuttgart, Tirana, Utrecht, Vienna, Warsaw, Zagreb and Zurich.