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CMS advises investors on taking stake in fabfab GmbH

Hamburg/Zurich – Luxembourg-based holding company Lesing Fabfab Sàrl has become a financial creditor and shareholder of e-commerce company fabfab GmbH (www.stoffe.de) in a round of financing.

An international team from CMS headed by Zurich-based partner Dr Stephan Werlen and Frankfurt-based partner Dr Hendrik Hirsch advised a group of investors led by Lesing Fabfab Sàrl on all legal aspects of the transaction, including structuring, negotiation and implementing the various elements of the deal (capital increase, loan-based financing and shareholder agreement). The lawyers also advised on the acquisition of shares in fabfab GmbH by Munich-based private equity firm Pinova Capital.

Headquartered in Schenefeld, Schleswig-Holstein, fabfab operates online stores in 12 European countries and describes itself as Europe's market leader in the sale and distribution of fabrics by the metre and accessories via the Internet.

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