**Press release**

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**CMS: Also represented in Portugal**

**CMS has entered a cooperation with Rui Pena, Arnaut & Associados (RPA), one of the leading Portuguese law firms. CMS has thus further extended its European presence and now employs close to 2,900 legal experts at 54 locations in 30 countries across Europe, South America, Russia and China.**

Rui Pena, Arnaut & Associados (RPA) is a full-service commercial law firm, which is located in Lisbon and has associated offices in Brazil and Angola. It can draw on 45 years of experience in the legal trade, today 13 partners and a further 45 legal experts uphold the firm's rich tradition. Through this cooperation, CMS offers its clients access to outstanding legal services in Portugal, while clients of RPA can profit from the international and local expertise of 2,900 CMS experts at 54 locations in 30 countries.

“The strong presence of RPA in Portugal means that CMS expands its already leading European coverage,” Peter Huber, Managing Partner at CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz in Vienna says. “We are looking forward to further developing this cooperation for the benefit of our clients.”

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**About CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz**

CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz was founded in Vienna in 1970 and has since emerged as one of the leading specialists in all areas of commercial and labour law. Highly-specialized teams consisting of internationally experienced lawyers primarily provide services in the following fields of law: M&A, banking and finance, real estate, taxes, labour laws, IP and IT laws, and public procurement. The company operates offices in Vienna, Belgrade, Bratislava, Brussels, Kiev, Ljubljana, Sarajevo, Sofia and Zagreb. All CMS offices together offer clients a team of more than 500 experienced specialists in 13 offices across the CEE/SEE region.

CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz is one of the founding members of CMS, the association of leading European legal firms and tax consultants. At present, CMS operates a network consisting of more than 700 partners, 2,800 lawyers and tax consultants, and a total of 5,000 employees working on behalf of its clients. www.cms-rrh.com

**About CMS**

CMS aims to be recognised as the best European provider of legal and tax services. Clients say that what makes CMS special is a combination of three things:

Strong, trusted client relationships

High quality advice

Industry specialization

We combine deep local expertise and the most extensive presence in Europe with cross-border consistency and coordination.

CMS has a common culture and a shared heritage which make us distinctively European. CMS operates in 27 jurisdictions, with 53 offices in Western and Central Europe and beyond. CMS was established in 1999 and today comprises nine CMS firms, employing over 2,800 lawyers. CMS is headquartered in Frankfurt, Germany.

**CMS member firms are:** CMS Adonnino Ascoli & Cavasola Scamoni (Italy); CMS Albiñana & Suárez de Lezo, S.L.P. (Spain); CMS Bureau Francis Lefebvre (France); CMS Cameron McKenna LLP (UK); CMS DeBacker Leclère Walry (Belgium); CMS Derks Star Busmann (The Netherlands); CMS von Erlach Henrici Ltd. (Switzerland); CMS Hasche Sigle (Germany) and CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz Rechtsanwälte GmbH (Austria).

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