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RKH advises Owe Gluth on the sale of the Gluth Group to VDK Groep

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Raschke von Knobelsdorff Heiser (RKH) advised Owe Gluth, the sole shareholder of the Gluth Group, on the sale of all shares to the Dutch VDK Groep. The Gluth Group is an established full-service provider of building services and a manufacturer of compact house connection and district heating substations. The transaction was completed in early November 2026.

Based in Neubrandenburg, the Gluth Group is primarily active in heating, ventilation and plumbing, plant engineering for local and district heating, control technology and photovoltaics. Its services also include bathroom modernisation as well as energy services, maintenance and servicing. By joining VDK Groep, the group is positioning itself for the technological and demographic changes of the coming years. Its service portfolio, points of contact and location remain unchanged.

Founded in the Netherlands in 2013, VDK Groep is a portfolio company of the private equity investor EMK. With more than 180 companies in the Netherlands, Germany, Belgium, Sweden, Austria and Switzerland, around 8,000 employees and total revenues of approximately EUR 2 billion, it is one of Europe's leading groups in building installation technology. In Germany, VDK Groep has so far been active primarily through its subsidiary Builtech.

Owe Gluth was advised by RKH partner Dr. Dominik Ziegenhahn (Lead, Corporate/M&A), Prof. Dr. Christian Möller (Tax) and Philipp von Kageneck (Corporate/M&A). IMAP, with Philipp Noack, Olja Schmitt and Dominik Detels, acted as M&A advisor in the sale process. VDK Groep was advised by a DLA Piper team led by Dr. Till Burmeister.

Background

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