



Press release

Ergon Capital Partners announces the appointment of Mr. Peter Hinssen to its Board of Senior Advisors

Brussels, May 10, 2017 – Peter Hinssen is a serial entrepreneur, adviser and keynote speaker specialised in radical innovation and the impact of digital technology on business and society. Mr. Hinssen previously founded three tech start-ups which he respectively sold to Alcatel-Lucent, Belgacom and Delaware Consulting. His current company nexxworks helps organisations become fluid, innovate and thrive in “the day after tomorrow”. Mr. Hinssen frequently advises Boards on subjects related to innovation and technology.

He earned a master in civil engineering from Ghent University in 1993 and is a lecturer at London Business School and MIT Sloan School of Management.

Mr. Hinssen is also the author of bestselling business books such as ‘Business/IT Fusion’ (2008), ‘The New Normal’ (2010), ‘The Network Always Wins’ (2014) and ‘The Day After Tomorrow’ (2017). He is frequently asked to contribute to international publications and is a Forbes contributor.

Ergon’s Board of Senior Advisors consists of a senior group of seasoned business executives from the geographies and sectors targeted by Ergon. It meets on a regular basis to review Ergon’s investment strategy and provide insight to Ergon’s management team.

Wolfgang de Limburg, Managing Partner of Ergon stated: “We are delighted to welcome Peter as Senior Advisor to Ergon. In a world of radical innovation, we believe it is crucial to bring the technological disruption angle to the assessment of new investments and to the value creation process at our portfolio companies.”

About Ergon Capital Partners

Ergon is a mid-market private equity investment company with ~€500 million under management backed by family-controlled Groupe Bruxelles Lambert, through its fully owned subsidiary Sienna Capital, as cornerstone investor, and selected European institutional investors. Ergon is a disciplined and discreet value investor, which provides “patient and friendly capital” to entrepreneurs and managers, who need capital and industrial solutions to accelerate the development of their companies. Ergon makes equity investments from €20 million up to €70 million in leading companies with a sustainable competitive position in attractive niche markets located in the Benelux, Italy, Iberia, France, Germany and Switzerland. Ergon is advised by Ergon Capital Advisors which has offices in Brussels, Paris, Madrid, Milan and Munich. Since its inception in 2005, together with its preceding investment programs Ergon invested in 16 companies (of which 4 in the Benelux, 7 in Italy, 2 in France, 1 in Spain and 2 in Germany) and has completed 20 add-on acquisitions for a total aggregate transaction value in excess of €3 billion. Ergon’s current portfolio consists of 7 companies in various sectors encompassing luxury, specialty retail, industrial manufacturing, healthcare, leisure and gastronomy.

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