

## Wolf Theiss advises A&M Capital Europe on an addon acquisition of Zoo Group Stefanov

Sofia, 14 December 2022 – Pet Network International, a portfolio company of European middle-market private equity fund A&M Capital Europe relied on the legal expertise of Wolf Theiss regarding its acquisition of Zoo Group Stefanov, the operator of the most popular pet store chain in Bulgaria.

Zoo Group Stefanov is a leading pet-care store chain in Bulgaria with 29 stores across the country and a leading e-Commerce platform. Pet Network International (PNI), present in Croatia, Romania, Slovenia, Serbia and Bulgaria, operating over 150 physical pet stores in the local markets, was acquired by A&M Capital Europe in 2021 and this was the first add-on acquisition for the PNI group.

A&M Capital was supported by a large Wolf Theiss team involving Richard Clegg (Partner, Corporate/M&A), Katerina Kraeva (Partner, Banking & Finance), Radosveta Kojuharova (Partner, Real Estate), Katerina Novakova (Counsel, Projects), Jasmina Uzova (Senior Associate, Corporate/M&A), Hristina Dzhevlekova (Counsel, Competition Antitrust), Radena Tsvetanova (Consultant, Corporate/M&A), Zhulieta Markova (Senior Associate, Competition Antitrust), Yanitsa Radeva (Senior Associate, Tax), Staniella Todorova (Associate, Corporate/M&A), Ivan Mangatchev (Consultant, Banking & Finance), Kristian Yabalkarov (Associate, Corporate/M&A), Boryana Filimonova (Associate, Corporate/M&A), Talliya Romanova (Associate, Projects), Bisera Petsovska (Associate, Employment), Boyanka Hristova (Associate, Real Estate), Rumyana Pishtalova (Associate, Real Estate), Kalina Pangeva (Associate, Competition Antitrust), Miroslav Yonov and Nikola Vanev (both Legal Trainees).

"We are very pleased to have advised A&M Capital Europe on this significant acquisition", stated Wolf Theiss partner Richard Clegg.

"Our team's expertise across a broad range of specialisations allowed us to provide comprehensive advice and support throughout the transaction. We look forward to continuing to assist A&M Capital Europe and PNI in their future endeavours in the region", he added.

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