

## Gilde`s acquisition of amor supported by € 145 million senior facilities

[Frankfurt am Main, 18 May 2016] Funds advised by Gilde Buy Out Partners (Gilde) announced the acquisition of amor Group on 18 April 2016 after reaching an early conclusion with previous owners, i.e. funds advised by 3i Group plc and funds managed by 3i.

The acquisition has been backed by € 145 million senior debt facilities including:

- € 45 million, six-year TLA
- € 88 million, seven-year TLB
- € 12 million, six-year RCF

Syndication is planned to kick-off this week with a lender presentation to take place in Frankfurt next week. IKB is underwriter and bookrunner while RBI has joined as Mandated Lead Arranger prior to launch.

Headquartered in Obertshausen near Frankfurt (Germany), amor is the leading full-service supplier to retail partners, offering complete category management of the affordable precious jewelry category in their stores and runs c. 2,900 point-of-sales in 24 countries. EBITDA is around € 28 million.

Gilde is a leading European mid-market private equity investor with operations in the DACH region and the Benelux. Gilde manages funds in excess of € 3 billion and has offices in Zurich/Frankfurt, Utrecht and Brussels. Since its inception in 1982, Gilde has invested in over 250 companies across a diverse range of sectors.

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