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## POELLATH advises DPE Deutsche Private Equity on merger of the Eraneos Group with SMP Strategy Consulting

The international consulting group Eraneos, a portfolio company of DPE Deutsche Private Equity (“DPE”), and the associated Ginkgo Management Consulting GmbH (future: Eraneos Deutschland) have merged with SMP Strategy Consulting (“SMP”) and its subsidiary Convalid Analytics. SMP and the Eraneos Group will further expand their industry expertise in the future and strengthen their business in Germany. POELLATH provided tax advice to DPE and its portfolio company Eraneos in connection with the transaction.

SMP, founded in 1998 and based in Düsseldorf, is a strategy consultancy specializing in growth and transformation strategies. The company has a large, established portfolio of well-known clients in the energy and commodities, insurance, banking and telecommunications sectors.

Eraneos is an international management & technology consulting group providing services from strategy to implementation. The group employs around 1,000 people and has offices on 3 continents. In 2022, it generated revenues of more than EUR 220 million.

DPE is an independent German investment firm and one of the largest growth capital providers in Germany. DPE invests in medium-sized companies in Germany, Austria and Switzerland and focuses on industries with positive, long-term development prospects. DPE was founded in 2007 and has since invested in 38 companies that have completed over 110 add-on acquisitions and today employ more than 10,000 people. DPE has total assets under management of approximately EUR 3 billion.

POELLATH advised DPE and its portfolio company Eraneos on all tax matters within the context of the merger with the following Munich team:

- Dr. Michael Best (partner, lead, tax)
- Tobias Deschenhalm (senior associate, tax)
- Cornelius Roth (associate, tax)

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