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**Owen Wilson appointed as Vice President at Palamon Capital Partners**

Palamon Capital Partners, one of Europe's leading mid-market private equity firms, has appointed Owen Wilson as a Vice President.

Mr Wilson joins Palamon from Candover, where he spent four years and was most recently a Director in the London office. Prior to this he was a consultant at Bain & Company for six years, during which time he was based mainly in London. Mr Wilson graduated from Cambridge University with a BA in Mathematics and holds an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Mr Wilson's appointment takes Palamon's London-based team to 17 investment professionals. The Firm, with €1.1 billion of equity under management, is currently investing its second Pan-European fund, Palamon European Equity II, L.P.

Daan Knottenbelt, Partner and Member of the Operating Committee, commented: "We are delighted to welcome Owen to the team. His considerable deal experience, combined with his background and training as a management consultant, is very well suited to our thesis-based investment approach. Our Funds continue to perform strongly and building the team will ensure that we are able to capitalise on the exciting investment opportunities we are seeing in the marketplace."

Commenting on his appointment, Mr Wilson said: "I am very pleased to be joining Palamon, a firm with a strong reputation and one of Europe's leading mid-market firms. I am looking forward to this new challenge and am excited by Palamon's thesis-led investment approach."

Palamon's recent investments include Grupo SAR, one of the leading providers of care to the elderly in Spain. The transaction was one of the five largest European private equity transactions in the first half of 2009. Palamon's current portfolio consists of 17 companies located in seven countries and covers six sectors.

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**Palamon Capital Partners**

Palamon Capital Partners, LP is an independent private equity partnership founded in 1999, which is focused on providing equity for European growth services companies. Palamon, as a pan-European investor, originates, executes and manages investments in the UK, Italy, Spain, Denmark, Belgium, Sweden, France, and Germany. The Firm targets investments in companies where it can be the lead private equity provider and where the partnership's experienced principals can provide strategic direction and support to help build equity value.

The Firm manages Palamon European Equity, L.P. and Palamon European Equity II, L.P., capitalised at €1.1 billion, and making up one of the largest pools of private equity capital dedicated to growth investment opportunities in Europe's mid market arena. Investors in Palamon funds are based mainly in the US and Europe and are among the most significant investment institutions in the world.

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