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Raiffeisen Bank International and ODDO BHF deepen partnership in mergers and acquisitions for clients in Austria, Central and Eastern Europe

- Strengthening corporate finance expertise in Austria, Central and Eastern Europe
- Expanding ODDO BHF's sector expertise in corporate finance in the areas of energy, infrastructure, and consumer

Raiffeisen Bank International (RBI) and the ODDO BHF Group are further expanding their cooperation. The partnership in the area of mergers and acquisitions in Austria, Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) follows on from the successful cooperation between RBI and ODDO BHF in the areas of equity brokerage and equity research, which began in December 2023. As part of the cooperation, RBI's 15-strong M&A team will move to the ODDO BHF Group's Vienna office by the end of December 2025.

"We are very pleased with our partnership with ODDO BHF and are now expanding it to include M&A. The collaboration will enable us to cover significantly more economic sectors in the future and thus expand the range of clients to whom we can offer high-quality M&A services," says Valerie Brunner, member of the RBI Management Board responsible for Corporate & Investment Banking. The additional sectors and activities for RBI clients include industrials, healthcare, and TMT, as well as debt advisory and fundraising.

Christian Zahn, Group Head of Investment Banking and member of the ODDO BHF General Management Committee (GMC), explains: "We are delighted to expand our corporate finance expertise with the addition of RBI's M&A team for our discerning clients. We are also significantly expanding our cross-border expertise in the energy, infrastructure, and consumer sectors. This is the next strategically important step on our path to becoming one of the leading integrated corporate finance boutiques for family businesses in Europe. For our clients, we now cover not only France, Germany, and Switzerland, but also Austria, Central and Eastern Europe."

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About RBI

RBI regards Austria, where it is a leading corporate and investment bank, as well as Central and Eastern Europe (CEE) as its home market. 11 markets of the region are covered by subsidiary banks. Additionally, the RBI Group comprises numerous other financial service providers, for instance in leasing, asset management or M&A. Around 43,000 employees service 18.2 million customers through around 1,400 business outlets, the by far largest part thereof in CEE. RBI's shares are listed on the Vienna Stock Exchange. The Austrian regional Raiffeisen banks own around 61.2 per cent of the shares, the remainder is in free float. Within the Austrian Raiffeisen Banking Group, RBI is the central institute of the regional Raiffeisen banks and other affiliated credit institutions.

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About ODDO BHF

ODDO BHF is an independent European financial Group active in the areas of Private Wealth Management, Asset Management, Investment Banking and Corporate Banking, Asset Servicing & Metals. With its special entrepreneurial spirit, the Group currently manages around 156 billion euros in client assets and has equity of more than 1.1 billion euros. In 2024, ODDO BHF generated net banking income of 846.4 million euros. With around 3,200 employees in France and Tunisia, Germany and Switzerland, the Group pursues a consistent European strategy with a global perspective. ODDO BHF has a unique shareholder structure that ensures its independence and enables it to develop sustainable products and services. With the aim of creating a world in which every day offers new opportunities.

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