

## **Gregory Ernst will lead US office of Advantum Corporate Finance**

### **Further expansion of global network with establishing of operations in Seattle**

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In order to continue the growth of its international M&A business, currently with offices in London, Berlin, Vienna and Tallinn, Advantum Corporate Finance (“ACF” or “Advantum”) will establish an office in Seattle, Washington. As such ACF is in an ever better position to benefit from the growing cross-border M&A business for midcap companies.

Gregory Ernst is a long-term business associate of Felix Schauerte, founder and managing partner of Advantum. Both met while working in investment banking at Morgan Stanley.

Mr. Ernst served three years with the United States Army and is a graduate of the University of Washington. He began his career with Morgan Stanley working in their Mergers and Acquisitions groups in the New York and San Francisco offices. Since then, he has worked in senior management and finance positions in the technology and healthcare industries.

With his broad industry and finance expertise and network, Gregory Ernst will provide first rate access to both strategic and financial investors in the United States, in particular supporting Advantum with its international sell-side mandates.

### **About Advantum Corporate Finance**

Advantum Corporate Finance is a European-based and internationally cross-linked investment banking and advisory boutique with offices in Berlin, London, Tallinn, Seattle and Vienna. It focuses, on the one hand, on companies in so-called “special situations” and, on the other hand, provides “classical” corporate finance services to growth oriented midcap companies.

The advisory business covers all relevant corporate topics, ranging from the revision of a company’s business strategy to the creation of business- and bailout plans, capital raisings and trade sales. It also includes the provision of interim management resources (CROs) through its Advantum PuC platform.

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