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Lendix announces a new €32 million financing round for its European development

The #1 SME lending platform in Continental Europe announces today the completion of a new €32 million financing round to continue its expansion. This financing is provided by Idinvest Partners, Allianz France and CIR S.p.A. (a listed holding company of the De Benedetti family) as well as the existing investors.

Lendix announces today a raise of 32 million euros supported by all its existing shareholders (Partech, CNP Assurances, Decaux Frères Investissements, Matmut, ...) and 3 major new investors:

- Idinvest Partners, the European leader in financing the growth of SMEs with 8 billion euros in assets under management;
- Allianz, the European leader in insurance
- CIR S.p.A., an Italian company listed in Milan and majority owned by the De Benedetti family

The new investors will join the Lendix Supervisory Board.

"We are delighted with this European round of financing, which will enable us to pursue our ambition of creating a leader in SME lending in Europe," said Olivier Goy and Patrick de Nonneville, managers of Lendix.

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"We were convinced by Lendix's pan-European approach and its ability to meet the challenge of internationalisation in a business that is still very local", adds Matthieu Baret, partner of Idinvest Partners.

"This participation illustrates our commitment as an institutional investor in innovative business models and in financing the real economy. Lendix is an innovative solution for SMEs in France, Germany, The Netherlands, Italy or Spain. These are all markets where Allianz supports the development of companies. We share a common desire to use technology to facilitate the daily lives of entrepreneurs" explains Julien Martinez, Director of Strategy, Innovation and Mergers and Acquisitions at Allianz France.

The fintech Lendix aims to be fully active in 5 European countries (France, Spain, Italy, Netherlands and Germany) by the end of 2018 and 7 by the end of 2019.

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About Lendix

Lendix is the leading SME lending platform in continental Europe (source: Altfi). In 2017, Lendix was selected in the Global KPMG/ H2 Ventures Fintech100 for the second consecutive year. Lendix enables SMEs to borrow directly from individual and institutional lenders without going through banks. Lenders invest their savings usefully and profitably to facilitate the funding of the real economy whilst businesses find new, simple and effective sources of finance. Lendix has already originated €190m of loans for more than 400 development projects by SMEs of all sizes and from all sectors. Lendix operates in France, Spain and Italy and soon in Germany and The Netherlands.

About d'Idinvest Partners

Idinvest Partners is a leading European mid-market private equity firm. With close to €8bn under management, the firm has developed several areas of expertise including innovative startup venture capital transactions; mid-market corporate debt, i.e. single-tranche, senior and subordinated debt; primary and secondary investment and private equity advisory services. Founded in 1997 Idinvest Partners used to be an Allianz subsidiary until 2010, when it branched out as an independent firm. In January 2018,

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Idinvest Partners joined forces with Eurazeo to create a private equity leader in Europe and North America with €15bn under management.

About d'Allianz

Allianz, one of the world leaders in insurance, offers a complete range of insurance, assistance and financial services for individuals, professionals, companies and local authorities. With nearly 140,000 employees worldwide, Allianz is present in more than 70 countries, serving 88 million customers. Allianz France is a general insurance company specialising in wealth management and social protection, drawing on the wealth of its expertise and the dynamism of its 9,000 employees in France. Nearly 7,000 sales intermediaries, agents, advisors, brokers and partners advise and support 5.5 million customers who trust Allianz France.

About CIR S.p.A.

CIR-Compagnie Industriali Riunite S.p.A., founded in 1976, is the company at the head of one of the largest Italian industrial groups, which operates mainly in three sectors: automotive components (Sogefi), media (GEDI Gruppo Editoriale) and healthcare (KOS). Sogefi is a world leader in the production of suspension components, filters and air and cooling systems; GEDI is the leading publisher in Italy of daily and multimedia news, as well as being one of the main players in Europe, and is active in newspapers and magazines, radio, the internet and the collection of advertising; KOS is one of the largest private operators in Italy in care homes with activities in the sectors of nursing homes, rehabilitation centres, cancer treatments, diagnostics and the management of hospital facilities. The CIR group is characterized by its long-term investment horizon. In 2017, it reported consolidated revenues of € 2.8 billion and gross operating margin of € 290.4 million. The CIR group employs more than 15 thousand people. The parent company CIR S.p.A. is listed on the Milan Stock Exchange and is controlled by the holding company COFIDE-Gruppo De Benedetti S.p.A.

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