

## Sale of CeBeNetwork-Group to Voith Industrial Services Kompass Corporate Finance advises the shareholders of CeBeNetwork

**The Managing Partners of CeBeNetwork-Group, Bremen, Dr. Frank Arnold and Prof. Dr. Stefan Rill as well as private equity investor nwu nordwest unternehmensbeteiligung Gesellschaft der Sparkasse Bremen mbH, have sold the majority of the shares to Voith Industrial Services, Stuttgart. With this takeover, Voith expands its service portfolio in the engineering segment and simultaneously acquires new competences in the aviation industry.**

Founded in 1996, CeBeNetwork is an engineering company specializing in complex development projects. With 360 employees and a turnover of around EUR 52 million, it is one of the largest providers of engineering services to the aviation industry in Europe. The company based in Bremen also has offices in Hamburg, France, Great Britain, and Spain, and with its network of 35 cooperation partners, has access to the knowledge and expertise of 5,000 engineers and technicians all over the world. EADS is one of the most important customers of CeBeNetwork.

To strengthen its position in the global market, the company was on the lookout for a strong partner and has now been integrated into the family-owned Voith group as an independent company.

CeBeNetwork has many years of experience in the fields of aerodynamics, computer simulations, and analyses for the aviation industry as well as other technology-driven industries. The company has, for example, developed the 'Digital Aircraft Center' that enables the interactive use of the so-called Virtual Reality for planning and analyses in product development. "In Voith Industrial Services, we have found the perfect partner for the successful development of our company", states Dr. Frank Arnold, who will continue to head CeBeNetwork in future.

Voith Industrial Services, a division of Voith AG, is a leading provider of technical services for key industries. With 18,900 employees in more than 150 locations all over the world, Voith Industrial Services operates globally through its brands DIW, Premier, Hörmann Industrietechnik, and Voith, and has generated a turnover of about EUR 800 million in 2007. Founded on January 1, 1867, Voith today employs more than 37,000 people in over 270 locations all over the world. With a turnover of EUR 4.1 billion, it is one of the largest family-owned companies in Europe.

Kompass Corporate Finance advised the shareholders of CeBeNetwork-Group on structuring and execution of the transaction.



**Voith Industrial Services Holding GmbH,  
Stuttgart**

acquired the majority of the shares of



**CeBeNetwork Holding GmbH, Bremen**

from

**Dr. Arnold & Prof. Dr. Rill**

and

**nwu nordwest** Unternehmensbeteiligungsgesellschaft  
der Sparkasse Bremen mbH

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