

Livingstone Enters Italian Market through Partnership with Corus Corporate Finance

New Offices in Milan and Verona Established under Livingstone Partners S.p.A.

Livingstone Partners is excited to announce its expansion into the Italian market through a strategic partnership with Corus Corporate Finance (CCF). Luca Maccagnani Castelli, Giulia Guzzo and Umberto Rossi will lead Livingstone Partners S.p.A in Milan and Verona, becoming shareholders of Livingstone International Holdings.

Following its recent expansion into the Benelux region through its Amsterdam office and the launch of its office in Seoul, Korea, Livingstone is continuing its growth next in Italy by forging an agreement with Luca Maccagnani Castelli, Managing Partner and Founder of CCF, to jointly develop the Italian market. Over the past nine years, CCF and its dedicated team have become a prominent M&A firm in Italy, successfully advising on local and cross-border deals.

Luca Maccagnani Castelli, Founder and Managing Partner of CCF, stated, *“After my experience as an international banker and partner in another Italian M&A boutique, I founded CCF in November 2014 to provide local mid-sized companies with customized advisory services meeting the highest international standards. We decided to join Livingstone to offer our clients greater sophistication, deep sector knowledge, and increased global reach, while remaining independent.”*

The new Livingstone offices, led by its cohesive local team, is positioned to capitalize on untapped opportunities in the Italian mid-market and provide clients with even more extensive global opportunities. The new Livingstone Italian team aims to become a market leader in Italy, leveraging and adding to Livingstone’s deep sector expertise and global reach.

“We see substantial growth opportunities in the Italian market, propelled by our strategic vision, and reinforced by our expanded international presence. Our objective is to substantially increase our deal-flow and recruit top talent to further drive our success,” commented **Umberto Rossi**, **Managing Director of CCF**.

Andrew Isgrig and **Ralph Hagelgans**, **Co-Chairmen of Livingstone International Holdings**, shared their enthusiasm for the partnership: *“We are very excited to welcome Luca, Giulia, Umberto, and their team to Livingstone. The combination will build new relationships, accelerate both inbound and outbound M&A opportunities, and drive further growth both in the Italian market and across Livingstone’s global platform.”*

“We are impressed by Livingstone’s culture, characterized by a team of like-minded professionals who have collaborated for decades. This and our mutual shared vision of a relentless commitment to quality and exceptional client service aligns us well,” commented **Giulia Guzzo**, **Managing Director of CCF**.

About Livingstone

Livingstone, founded in 2007, is an independent, international M&A and debt advisory firm specializing in global mid-market transactions across the Business Services, Consumer, Healthcare, Industrial, and Media & Technology sectors.

With a team of over 120 professionals, Livingstone operates from offices in Amsterdam, Beijing, Chicago, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Seoul, Los Angeles, Madrid, Milan, Stockholm, Valencia, and Verona.

The firm closes 50+ transactions annually and has advised on nearly 250 deals in the last five years, solidifying its position as one of the most active middle-market independent advisory firms. Learn more at www.livingstonepartners.com.

Corus Corporate Finance, today Livingstone Partners S.p.A.

Independent advisory boutique, specializing in M&A transactions and other corporate finance activities for the Italian mid-market. Founded at the end of 2014, CCF has offices in Milan and Verona, with a team of more than 10 experienced professionals. In recent years has closed transactions for more than € 1.1bn in diverse sectors, such as industrial automation, circular economy, food, pet food and design, as a prominent player in Italy.

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