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New hires at Acanthus

Acanthus Advisers is pleased to announce that it has strengthened its team with two new appointments: **Constance Jay** and **Joanne Weetman** as Analysts.

Prior to joining Acanthus, Constance completed an internship at AXA Private Equity as a venture analyst where she focused on investments in biotechnology and healthcare companies.

Constance holds a first class postgraduate degree in Strategy and Management of International Business with a Major in Corporate Finance from ESSEC Business School, France; a postgraduate degree in both corporate finance and biotechnology from ISTM Business School, France and a BSc in Biochemistry from University Pierre et Marie Curie, France.

Prior to joining Acanthus, Joanne received a BA (Hons) in Economics from St. Catharine's College, University of Cambridge. Following this, she was awarded a first class degree in the one year undergraduate programme in Management Studies at the Judge Institute of Management Studies, Cambridge University.

About Acanthus

Acanthus is an independent private equity advisory firm providing fund placement and corporate finance advisory services. Established in 1998, Acanthus has built a highly experienced team of private equity specialists who are genuinely European both in focus and background with complementary skill bases ranging from corporate finance, asset management, capital markets, management consulting and accounting.

In Fund Placement Acanthus specialises in raising private equity funds of between €100m and €500m with particular expertise in next generation/emerging managers. In Corporate Advisory Acanthus advises lower mid-market companies, principally in the education and healthcare sectors, raising private capital (equity and debt), arranging buy-out/ buy-in transactions and disposing of businesses.

Each of Acanthus' managing partners has over 15 years' private equity experience. Together they have been involved in the execution of transactions with an aggregate value in excess of €10 billion. In the last 12 months, Acanthus' clients have raised funds in excess of €1.3 billion.

For the last two years, Acanthus has been shortlisted for European Boutique of the Year in the EVCA Private Equity Awards.

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