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IMAP Conference in Bologna, February 6-8 Highlights

Buckingham Corporate Finance, London, member of IMAP the international group of mid-market merger & acquisition advisory firms, participated in the origination's European Winter conference held this month in Bologna, Italy.

The meeting was also attended by several successful multinational companies, the senior management of which presented their acquisition criteria to the meeting.

Whilst the clear consensus of the participants was that current market conditions are extremely challenging there is no doubt that opportunities now exist on a global basis for strategic acquirers to exploit.

At the meeting some 130 specific cases were presented of companies looking for, or wishing to make investments or acquisitions. These opportunities covered a wide range of sectors and geographies and Buckingham would be happy to entertain specific enquiries from acquirers or vendors, both from trade or financial or financial investors.

During 2008, IMAP member firms completed some 266 corporate transactions, including no less than 86 cross-border acquisitions and disposals. Specialising in advising mid-market transactions across the key global service and manufacturing industries, IMAP's coverage extends through 60 member firms in 40 countries and is delivered through some 280 expert dealmakers.

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