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Press Release

The most active private equity fund in Denmark establishes its fifth fund

As a result of a high investment level and a record high number of inquiries, which seems to continue, Industri Udvikling has as of the date August 1st 2019 had the first closing of its Fund V of 500 million DKK.

With more than 140 investments throughout its time and a portfolio of 26 Danish companies today, Industri Udvikling is without comparison Denmark's most active private equity fund in Danish SMEs.

Since 1994, Industri Udvikling has invested in four funds with a total capital base of approx. 1.3 billion DKK. The latest fund IV, with a capital base of 500 million DKK, consists of 15 companies today.

Industri Udvikling has since its establishment pursued a strategy of being a dedicated minority shareholder along with being an equal partner for talented company owners and management teams in Denmark.

The investment base in Fund V consists of pension funds along with both minor and larger private investors. The largest investor at the first closing is Dansk Vækstkapital II. Its chairman, Ulrik Spork, elaborates on the background for investing in Industri Udvikling's fifth fund: *"We believe that Industri Udvikling has a solid starting point to create a strong portfolio. The Fund is a long-term investor, one of the most experienced within the SME segment in Denmark. Additionally, they work with a well-defined and proven strategy as minority investor in the SME segment in Denmark".*

Among the private investors is the AKF-Concern. CEO in AKF, Ino Dimsits, states: *"We know Industri Udvikling particularly well. We have invested in three out of four of Industri Udvikling's existing funds. I have great confidence in the team and in the strategy as a minority shareholder in Danish SMEs".*

Additionally, some of the company owners with whom Industri Udvikling has owned companies, have chosen to invest in the coming fund. One of them is Mr. Kaj Østergaard, CEO and co-owner of HT Bendix A/S in Herning. Kaj Østergaard expresses: *"I know Industri Udvikling very well. In 2012 we acquired HT Bendix A/S collectively and we sold the company together as of this July 2019. It has been a great, constructive and very equal partnership. Very different than what is in general being said about private equity funds. I have great confidence in Industri Udvikling's approach as an active minority shareholder in management owned companies. Hence, I have chosen to invest in the coming fund V."*

Managing Partner in Industri Udvikling, Dan Højgaard Jensen, states: *"We are happy and very proud of the commitment from the different investors, including both old as well as new ones. Our strategy as minority shareholder suits many company owners, and we get a lot of inquiries continuously. It is of great pleasure to have the fifth fund up and running, so that we now have the funding to continue our investment activities. I still receive inquiries from interested investors, both Danish as well as international, and I expect the fifth fund to be established with a final closing by the end of the year with a capital base between 600-900 million DKK."*

About Industri Udvikling:

Industri Udvikling invests in Danish small and medium-sized enterprises in connection with a need for capital for growth, change in ownership, MBO/MBI or partly capitalizing. Check out the website:

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