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Weinberg Capital Partners takes a stake in Magellium Artal, a leading player in satellite image processing and digital mapping

The Eiréné fund of Weinberg Capital Partners, dedicated to supporting SMEs and mid-sized companies active in the defense and security sectors, has joined Magellium Artal as a majority shareholder alongside the company's executives and employees. This operation aims to support the company's growth strategy. IDIA Capital Investissement and the Definvest fund managed by the Directorate General of Armaments (DGA), via Bpifrance, have taken a minority stake in this transaction. Meanwhile, iXO Private Equity, a minority shareholder since 2020, has sold its share.

Formed from the merger between Magellium and Artal in 2016, the group has established itself as a key player in image data engineering and digital mapping. With the expertise of its 280 employees, including 220 engineers and 30 PhDs, Magellium Artal masters the entire value chain, from raw satellite data processing to the establishment of exploitation platforms for institutional and private clients operating in cutting-edge sectors (space, defense, security, environment, energy, and industry). The group's teams are divided between Toulouse and Île-de-France region.

The success of Magellium Artal is based on a unique combination of technical, software, and scientific skills in image, video, and digital map processing, as well as a strong R&D culture. This expertise enables the group to maintain long-term relationships with its historical clients and to envision solid development prospects in dynamic markets, particularly in the space sector.

With the entry of the Eiréné fund, Magellium Artal aims to become the independent leader in these sectors. To achieve this, the group plans to accelerate growth in its historical markets, attract new clients, and explore new markets while adopting an active external growth strategy.

Pierre Duverneuil, President of Magellium Artal Group, states: "We are delighted with Weinberg Capital Partners' investment in Magellium Artal, marking a new development phase for the group. We are convinced that the Eiréné fund, with its sectorial expertise, is the ideal partner to support us in our development strategy and position the company as one of the market leaders in Europe."

Lionel Mestre, Partner and Managing Director of Eiréné fund at Weinberg Capital Partners, declares:

"We are very pleased to join the teams of Magellium Artal, a company renowned for its unique expertise in imaging and digital mapping. This operation fits perfectly within our investment strategy, targeting French technological SMEs and mid-sized companies with strong market positions and advanced know-how."

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About Weinberg Capital Partners

Founded in 2005, Weinberg Capital Partners is an independent investment company historically active in buy-out capital, which expanded its field of intervention to real estate assets in 2008. In 2020, Weinberg Capital Partners added its capacity to invest in SMEs/mid-caps with a minority strategy focused on sustainable development issues, which offers extra-financial support known as impact, to better prepare companies for environmental and societal challenges. In 2023, Weinberg Capital Partners created a new fund, Eiréné, dedicated to the development of SMEs/mid-caps in the security and defense sector. In 2024, the company continued its growth in private equity with the launch of a co-investment fund, WCP Co-Invest.

With €1,8 billion of assets under management, Weinberg Capital Partners is a significant player in the mid-market equity segment in France.

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About Magellium Artal Group

Magellium Artal Group, a historical player in specialized engineering, is a mid-sized company with nearly 300 engineers and PhDs that provides its clients with image processing and scientific, software, and technical engineering solutions for both civil and military applications. For the past 26 years, the company has offered high value-added solutions and mastered all image data processing technologies, ensuring the development and maintenance of complex software tailored to its clients' needs. With 10% of its revenue dedicated to Research and Development, its commitment to innovation has shaped its reputation among major national, European, and international players.

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