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Columna Capital Fund I Completes Final Close at Euro 95 Million

London, (March 13th, 2017) – Columna Capital (“Columna”) held the final close of its maiden fund Columna Capital Fund I (“the Fund”) at €95 million exceeding its original hard cap of €75 million. The Fund was significantly oversubscribed attracting commitments from existing and new European and overseas LPs including foundations, asset managers, funds of funds and family office investors. Columna partners have committed 4% of total Fund commitments. The Fund also has access to co-investment capital.

The Fund is a dedicated four asset vehicle and targets high growth small to mid-market companies in Italy, France, Spain and Switzerland, continuing Columna’s strategy of identifying off-market opportunities and working closely with outstanding management teams. The Fund completed its first investment in a fast growing Italian healthcare services company in 2016 and closed its second investment in SantéVet, a French specialist pet insurance business last month.

“We are delighted to have received such strong interest for our maiden fund and are excited about welcoming new LPs to our investor base. This is an important milestone in Columna’s development and builds on the strong performance of Columna’s existing investment portfolio. Given the first two investments and our attractive investment pipeline we believe this fund will generate above market returns in line with our historic performance.”, *comments Rory Devlin, Managing Partner of Columna Capital.*

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About Columna Capital

Columna Capital is an entrepreneurial and operationally engaged European private equity firm with more than €200 million of AUM focusing on investments in small to mid-market companies with growth potential. Columna’s strategy is to identify off-market opportunities and invest in a limited number of attractive companies where it actively works with management and other stakeholders to drive long-term value creation. Founded in 2009 and with offices in London and Lugano, Columna Capital has to-date invested on a deal-by-deal basis and decided to raise its first fund in response to demand from existing and new investors. www.columnacapital.com