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Columna Capital Fund II Completes Close at €80 Million

September 17th, 2018 – Columna Capital (“Columna”) held a closing of its second fund, Columna Capital Fund II (“Fund II”), with aggregate commitments of €80 million. The target for the final close is €200 million. Fund II has received commitments from both existing LPs and new investors comprised of US, European and South African institutional and family office investors.

Fund II is a dedicated six-asset vehicle and targets high growth companies in the lower mid-market in France, Italy, Spain and Switzerland. It recently completed its first two investments in fast growing consolidation platforms in the animal health and consumer services sectors. These acquisitions mark a continuation of Columna’s strategy of identifying off market opportunities and working closely with outstanding management teams and entrepreneurs.

“We are delighted to have received such strong interest for our second fund. This is an important milestone in Columna’s development and builds on the strong performance of our maiden fund. We have also made a significant investment in the team as we seek to deliver on our strong pipeline,” says Rory Devlin, managing partner of Columna Capital. “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.”

About Columna Capital - Columna Capital is a high conviction European private equity firm with more than €400 million of AUM focusing on investments in lower 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. It aims to deploy development capital ambitiously and has completed more than 40 add-on acquisitions across its investment portfolio to-date. Founded in 2009 and with offices in London, Luxembourg and Lugano, Columna Capital first invested on a deal-by-deal basis until it raised its first fund Columna Capital Fund I in 2016. Columna is run by its four partners Rory Devlin, Andrea Frechiami, Vilmos Pongrácz and Michael Tose. www.columnacapital.com

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