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PRESS RELEASE

DS Gruppen A/S with production and sales subsidiaries has been sold to the German company GOLDBECK GmbH, a family-owned leading construction and services company in Europe. Focus of the sale is on further growth within DS Gruppen's core areas.

The Møller Hansen family, Hobro has sold DS Gruppen A/S and underlying production and sales companies to the German industrial group GOLDBECK GmbH, Bielefeld, where DS Gruppen will be the growth engine for both DS Gruppen's and Goldbeck's upcoming expansion in Northern Europe. The sale only needs the approval of the German competition authorities.

Over the past decade, DS Gruppen has experienced strong growth in all business areas. DS Gruppen's business areas see great opportunities for continued growth in Europe, where production companies are already significant suppliers. The owner family Moller Hansen has assessed that this process requires strong forces and greater insight into European markets, which is why the possibility of finding such a partner has been explored.

From the beginning, DS Gruppen wanted to find an industrial owner who has insight and competence in the industry and in Europe in particular. Following a structured process, the choice has fallen on the German industrial group GOLDBECK GmbH, Bielefeld, a family-owned leading construction and services company in Europe.

- "From the first meeting with representatives from Goldbeck, we have had a positive impression, which has been further confirmed throughout the process", explains Mads Møller Hansen, co-owner and CEO of DS Gruppen. "With Goldbeck as a driver of innovation and a leader in building technology, DS Gruppen is strongly positioned for the future."

Svend Møller Hansen, founder and co-owner of DS Gruppen, emphasizes the long-term perspective of the acquisition: "Two successful family businesses will be pooling their experience and expertise into a joint long-term strategy."

"With the acquisition of DS Gruppen, we are strengthening our Europe-wide offering as a life-cycle partner in commercial construction," explains Jan-Hendrik Goldbeck, who leads Goldbeck together with his brother Jörg-Uwe Goldbeck as Managing Partners. Jörg-Uwe Goldbeck highlights the similarities between the two companies:

- "We share various common features with DS Gruppen – and not just in regard to our core competencies. Both companies were founded in 1969, have a decentralised structure and are second-generation owner-run businesses. We see our Goldbeck values of humanity, responsibility and a passion for performance as also being reflected in the corporate culture of DS Gruppen. We look forward to working together successfully!"

Through this acquisition, Goldbeck is solidifying its position as a leading construction and services company in Europe. Goldbeck, with its headquarters in Bielefeld, Germany, generated almost a

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third of its total turnover in other European countries in the 2021/2022 financial year. With its “building excellence” approach, Goldbeck brings future-oriented properties to life at around 90 locations across Europe. Goldbeck is a one-stop provider for its clients – from the design and construction phase to services during operation. This includes own facilities for producing steel and concrete.

In France, Goldbeck completed a successful acquisition in 2019 of the company GSE, which continues to operate under the name GSE. DS Gruppen will similarly become an independent division, continuing under the name DS Gruppen, and the current management of both DS Gruppen and the subsidiaries will also remain unchanged.

The Møller Hansen family looks forward following DS Gruppen's continued growth journey through the ownership of GOLDBECK GmbH.

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About DS Gruppen:

DS Gruppen is one of Scandinavia's leading industrial groups in the production and sale of steel and concrete solutions for construction and industry, being a professional business partner in every aspect. Headquartered in Hobro, Denmark, all of the group's companies function as independent entities that are market leaders in each of their business areas. In recent years, DS Gruppen has realised an annual growth in turnover of on average 15% and in 2020/21 DS Gruppen achieved a total turnover of roughly €300 million and a pre-tax profit of €37 million. In addition, DS Gruppen has a historically high order backlog that extends several years ahead. The company employs more than 600 people.

Further information can be found online: www.ds-gruppen.dk

About GOLDBECK:

Goldbeck builds future-oriented commercial properties in Europe. The company views buildings as products that it brings to life for its clients as a one-stop provider – from the design and construction phase to services during operation. The approach – building excellence – allows the family business to complete your buildings economically, quickly and sustainably, without sacrificing custom functionality.

Goldbeck is a partner to medium-sized businesses and large companies, investors, developers and public-sector clients alike. Its range of services includes logistics and industrial halls, office and school buildings, multi-storey car parks and residential buildings, with existing buildings and building-related services completing the spectrum. The company completed more than 500 projects in the 2020/2021 financial year, with a total turnover in the region of €5,0 billion. Goldbeck currently employs more than 9.000 people at some 90 locations across Europe.

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