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19. Juli 2011

**ANGEBOTSFRIST FÜR DAS KAUFANGEBOT VON DER HARBOURVEST  
ACQUISITION GMBH FÜR DIE ABSOLUTE PRIVATE EQUITY AG WIRD BIS  
ZUM 26. JULI 2011 VERLÄNGERT**

- **Die Schweizerische Übernahmekommission hat festgestellt, dass das geänderte öffentliche Kaufangebot von HarbourVest Acquisition für die Absolute Private Equity AG den gesetzlichen Bestimmungen über öffentliche Kaufangebote entspricht**

Im Zusammenhang mit dem öffentlichen Kaufangebot (das “Angebot”) von HarbourVest Acquisition GmbH (“HarbourVest Acquisition”) für alle sich im Publikum befindenden Inhaberaktien der Absolute Private Equity AG (“Absolute”), geben HarbourVest Partners, LLC (“HarbourVest”) und HarbourVest Global Private Equity Limited (“HVPE”) bekannt, dass die Angebotsfrist bis zum 26. Juli 2011 verlängert wird.

Diese Verlängerung ergibt sich aus einer Verfügung der Schweizerischen Übernahmekommission (die “UEK”) vom 15. Juli 2011, in welcher die UEK bestätigte, dass die Angebotsänderung vom 14. Juli 2011 den gesetzlichen Bestimmungen über öffentliche Kaufangebote entspricht. In dieser Verfügung wies die UEK den Verwaltungsrat von Absolute an, eine Ergänzung zu seinem zusätzlichen Bericht vom 13. Juli 2011 zu publizieren, in welchem der Verwaltungsrat von Absolute begründet, weshalb er einer Erhöhung der Entschädigung für die Transaktionskosten (Break-up Fee) der HarbourVest zugestimmt hat. Da sich aufgrund der Publikation dieser Ergänzung der Zeitplan des Angebots verschiebt, verfügte die UEK zudem, dass HarbourVest Acquisition einen angepassten indikativen Zeitplan zu publizieren und sicherzustellen habe, dass das Angebot nach der Publikation

der Ergänzung zum zusätzlichen Bericht noch mindestens fünf Börsentage offen bleibt. Dementsprechend wird erwartet, dass die Angebotsfrist am 26. Juli 2011 enden wird.

Die Verlängerung der Angebotsfrist, einschliesslich dem ergänzten Bericht des Verwaltungsrats der Absolute und dem angepassten indikativen Zeitplan, ist abrufbar auf [www.hvgpe.com/absolutetender](http://www.hvgpe.com/absolutetender).

Der neue Zeitplan des Angebots sieht folgendermassen aus:

26. Juli 2011, 16:00 MESZ	Ende der Angebotsfrist*
27. Juli 2011	Publikation des vorläufigen Zwischenresultates des Angebots (in den elektronischen Medien)*
2. August 2011	Publikation des definitiven Zwischenresultates des Angebots (in den Druckmedien)*
3. August 2011	Beginn der Nachfrist*
16. August 2011, 16:00 MESZ	Ende der Nachfrist*
17. August 2011	Publikation des vorläufigen Endresultates des Angebots (in den elektronischen Medien)*
22. August 2011	Publikation des definitiven Endresultates des Angebots (in den Druckmedien)*
30. August 2011	Spätestes Datum für den Vollzug des Angebots*

\* Im Falle einer Verlängerung der Angebotsfrist wird der Zeitplan entsprechend angepasst

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