NNDKP assists a syndicate of banks in providing a EUR 550 million financing to the Ameropa Group



Nestor Nestor Diculescu Kingston Petersen (NNDKP) has assisted a syndicate of banks in providing EUR 550 million in financing to the Swiss group Ameropa, which owns some of the largest local agribusiness companies - Azomures, Romania's largest fertilizer producer, Ameropa Grains SA, a major grain trader, and Chimpex, a leader in port operations. The syndicate of banks consisted of Banca Comerciala Româna SA, Raiffeisen Bank SA, ING Bank Romania, Unicredit Bank SA, Alpha Bank Romania SA, Banca Transilvania SA, BRD Groupe Societe Generale SA, Banca Comerciala Intesa Sanpaolo Romania SA and GarantiBank International NV.

The syndicated loan will be used by Ameropa Group's Romanian entities to refinance the main credit facility in Romania.

NNDKP assisted the banks throughout the project, advising on complex transaction structuring aspects (including the implementation of ancillary and accordion facilities) as well as on the preparation and negotiation of the financing documents.

The *NNDKP* team involved in this transaction was led by **Valentin Voinescu**, Partner in the Banking and Finance practice, and included Senior Associate **Alexandru Ciambur** and Associate **Catalina Dan**, from the same practice.

"We are honored to have advised the banks in a large syndicate, which included almost all the big names in corporate banking in the Romanian system, in a transaction that can be considered a truly remarkable one for the last decade, not only due to its size, but also to its exceptional technical complexity", declared <u>Valentin</u> <u>Voinescu</u>, Partner at NNDKP.

NNDKP has assisted the financing banks in the past in connection with the EUR 347 million financing provided to the Ameropa Group.

NNDKP's *Banking & Finance team* has constantly been involved in complex projects concerning corporate finance, acquisitions of financial institutions and international and local companies, or public sector finance. Over the past years, the members of the team have been involved in financing transactions amounting to more than EUR 5 billion in sectors such as agribusiness, energy, real estate, infrastructure, FMCG, production or technology.

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NNDKP offers full-service and integrated legal and tax advice to companies from diverse industry sectors. For the past three decades, NNDKP lawyers have provided expertise in landmark deals and projects in Romania,

contributing to the evolution of the Romanian business environment, including in innovative and niche economic sectors that involved both international corporations and local entrepreneurs.

NNDKP represents Romania in some of the most prestigious international professional alliances - Lex Mundi, World Services Group, International Attorneys Club - and is a founding member of SEE Legal. The firm is constantly top ranked in all practice areas by the renowned international guides Chambers & Partners, Legal500 and IFLR 1000.

NNDKP is a 6-time winner of the much-coveted "Romania Law Firm of the Year" award at the Chambers Europe Awards gala, in 2022, 2021, 2017, 2013, 2012 and 2009.