

## Schoenherr advises Hellman & Friedman on its investment, alongside CVC, in Mehiläinen



**Schoenherr acted as local counsel in Romania and Serbia for Hellman & Friedman in connection with its investment, alongside CVC, in Mehiläinen, the largest healthcare and social care provider in Finland. Kirkland & Ellis, advising Hellman & Friedman as transaction lead counsel in this cross-border transaction, coordinated the legal advice provided in all relevant jurisdictions.**

In parallel with Hellman & Friedman's investment, Mehiläinen has agreed to acquire leading healthcare providers Regina Maria in Romania and MediGroup in Serbia. The completion of the acquisitions and new Mehiläinen ownership arrangement is subject to regulatory and customary investor approvals.

"As the healthcare sector in Central and Eastern Europe continues to attract significant private equity investments, Romania mirrors this broader trend," said Schoenherr partner [Madalina Neagu](#). "We are glad to have worked together with Hellman & Friedman's lead counsel on the Romanian and Serbian law aspects of their investment in Mehiläinen."

Hellman & Friedman is a preeminent global private equity firm with a distinctive investment approach focused on a limited number of large-scale equity investments in high-quality growth businesses. It targets outstanding businesses in select sectors, including technology, financial services, healthcare, consumer services & retail, and information, content & business services. Since its founding in 1984, Hellman & Friedman has invested in over 100 companies.

Mehiläinen Group is a well-known private provider of social care and healthcare services, offering comprehensive services in its home market of Finland, as well as in Sweden, Germany, Lithuania and Estonia. It serves 2.2m customers annually at 890 locations through more than 37,000 employees and private practitioners. Mehiläinen invests in the possibilities of digitalisation and the effectiveness and quality of care in all its business areas.

The Schoenherr team acting as local counsel in Romania and Serbia in connection with Hellman & Friedman's investment in Mehiläinen was led by **Madalina Neagu** (partner), with Serbian law matters coordinated by *Igor Živkovski* (partner).

Schoenherr is a leading regional law firm, with 15 offices and four country desks in Central and Eastern Europe and South-Eastern Europe. The firm has been active in Romania since 1996, providing full-service legal advice to local and multinational companies. Schoenherr Romania is ranked in by all major legal directories that survey the legal market (Chambers and Partners, Legal500, IFLR1000).