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PRESS RELEASE

Jan Graf von Bassewitz to Strengthen Sales Team at Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners

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With the beginning of the new year, Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners, a merger of CAM Private Equity, VCM Capital Management and the “Alternative Investments” division of the Sal. Oppenheim Group, has further expanded its sales force with the addition of Jan Graf von Bassewitz, a highly experienced sales professional.

Previously, Jan Graf von Bassewitz was in charge of advising pension funds and insurance companies, mainly in Germany, Austria and Switzerland, as Partner at CAM Private Equity. He will have the same task in the new entity, Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners.

Before, Mr. von Bassewitz was Partner at Warburg Alternative Investments AG in Zurich for three years, where he was responsible for institutional fundraising. Prior to this, he founded Auda (Deutschland) GmbH in January 2002 where he served as Managing Director, handling the structuring and placement of private equity and funds-of-hedge-funds in Germany, Austria, Switzerland, the Benelux countries and Italy for New York-based Auda Advisors Associates. At HSBC Trinkaus & Burkhardt in Düsseldorf, he managed the alternative investment and relationship management department for institutional clients for more than four years. Von Bassewitz also held various management positions at FACT Consulting, Metzler Bank in Frankfurt, Manufacturers Hanover Trust (now part of JP Morgan Chase), and Deutsche Bank in Frankfurt and Munich.

Furthermore, since January, Sabine Rummel has joined Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners as Sales Manager and will be focusing in particular on investors in the non-German-speaking countries within Europe. After finishing her master’s degree in International Economic Studies at the University of Maastricht in 2002, Ms. Rummel worked at the European Private Equity and Venture Capital

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Association (EVCA) in Brussels for six years. In her role as an economic and industry analyst, she was most recently responsible for the Association's qualitative studies on private equity markets. In addition to this, she supported the Association in its investor relations and business development activities.

“With these two important additions to the sales team, Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners demonstrates its aspiring growth targets in the international private equity business,” explained Dr. Rolf Wickenkamp, Partner and Member of the Executive Board at Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners.

ABOUT SAL. OPPENHEIM PRIVATE EQUITY PARTNERS

Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners is one of the leading providers of private equity investment products and services in Europe. With a team of more than 90 professionals the company focuses exclusively on the conception, placement, investment and administration of funds-of-funds and managed accounts in the areas of private equity and private debt. Currently it manages assets totalling almost €5 billion for private and institutional investors. Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners, headquartered in Luxemburg, has offices in Amsterdam, Bangalore, Beijing, Cologne, Copenhagen, Greenwich (CT, USA), Hong Kong, Madrid, Munich and Paris.

With the launch of Sal. Oppenheim Private Equity Partners on 1 January 2009, Europe's largest independent private banking group, Sal. Oppenheim jr. & Cie., established in 1789, is merging its majority holdings in CAM Private Equity and VCM Capital Management with its own private equity activities. CAM and VCM remain as legal entities, but as SOPEP subsidiaries, they will no longer be independently active on the market.

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