

Muzinich French Private Debt Initiative announces its first closing

Paris, 2nd July 2015 – Muzinich & Co. is pleased to announce that its French Private Debt Strategy had its first closing. The strategy is dedicated to financing mid-size growth companies, with minimum EBITDA of €5 million, predominantly located in France. Investors include a small group of French institutional investors, including a number of insurance companies and pension funds, and one Belgian institutional investor.

The strategy is expected to invest mainly in senior debt issued by private companies seeking to diversify and customize their sources of financing while preserving confidentiality, thereby complementing traditional bank facilities.

Muzinich has a team of French investment professionals based in Paris within a global Private Debt team of 15 highly experienced specialists based in Europe and the United States. Sandrine Richard, Head of the French Private Debt Strategy, said, “Our team is pleased to be a part of Muzinich’s European Private Debt strategy, an important initiative to the firm. We are focused on investments that support our investors’ needs for asset diversification, in a longer-term investment program.”

Muzinich & Co. is committed to building a strong, well-balanced Private Debt business in Europe which complements its corporate credit expertise in public markets. The Firm is expanding its Pan-European Private Debt strategy and has developed a differentiated and local approach with dedicated Private Debt teams in France, UK, Spain, and Italy.

Muzinich & Co. is an international asset management firm, founded in 1988, specializing in corporate credit. The Firm manages €24.2 billion in assets as of 31 May 2015. Muzinich has a large and experienced team operating from offices in New York, London, Milan, Paris, Cologne, Madrid, Manchester, and Zurich. For more information, please visit: www.muzinich.com or contact: Eric Pictet +33 1 70 91 69 81, epictet@muzinich.com