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## **Princess Private Equity Holding Limited**

#### Princess publishes December NAV

- Net asset value decreased by 2.1% to EUR 14.16 per share; total NAV at EUR 979.25 million
  Currency movements (-0.5%) curtailed the NAV as the US dollar depreciated relative to the euro
- Princess received distributions of EUR 16.6 million

Although December saw an ease in revaluations (-1.5%) as part of monthly multiple calibrations for portfolio companies - where public comparables in sectors such as consumer staples, industrials, and education services showed a downward trend - the overall revaluations during the year were positive, reflecting portfolio resilience and the diversified sector mix.

Princess received distributions of EUR 16.6 million, of which EUR 9.3 million was received from the divestment in Hofmanns, a provider of premium ready-to-eat frozen meals and tailored catering services based in Germany. The remaining proceeds are expected to be released later this year. Founded in 1960, the company serves B2B customers in business canteens, social organizations, such as schools and kindergartens, and hospitals. Since acquiring Hofmanns on behalf of its clients in 2014, Partners Group has supported the company in successfully driving growth initiatives across its customer segments and investing in targeted production automation initiatives, while still preserving the hand-made feel of Hofmanns' meal offerings. Key initiatives included streamlining the sales organization by shifting the focus from regional coverage to customer-centric services and key account management, repositioning the Hofmanns brand towards a modern and sustainable proposition, launching a new business-to-consumer online shop, and digitalizing the customer ordering and internal reporting process. Today, Hofmanns supports over 12'000 customers and serves approximately 200'000 eaters each day.

Princess received EUR 6.8 million from the realization of a portion of its equity investment in SRS Distribution, one of the largest distributors of roofing, landscaping, and pool supply products in the US. The partial exit arose from a GP-led secondary sale by lead investor Leonard Green & Partners of several holdings, including SRS Distribution, to a continuation fund.

Meanwhile at portfolio level, Vishal Mega Mart ("Vishal"), a franchisor of hypermarket stores in India, was the largest contributor to value creation. In the last 12-month period ending November 2023, Vishal's EBITDA grew year on year by 22% A new central warehouse, which has more than twice the capacity of existing distribution centers, was also operationalized during the period.

Further information is available in the monthly report, which can be accessed via: http://www.princessprivate equity.net/en/investor-relations/financial-reports/.

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#### About Princess

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