



ARTUS und Schmittgall merge

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ARTUS Gesellschaft für Brand- und Wasserschadensanierung mbH – a limited liability company that restores damage caused by fire or water – and *Bautrocknung Schmittgall GmbH (BTS)* have merged. In future, ARTUS und BTS will operate as separate companies within the ARTUS Group. The founder of BTS, Benjamin Schmittgall, will continue as managing partner for the ARTUS Group.

With the merger, the ARTUS Group's service portfolio will gain additional focal points, in particular BTS's special expertise in construction drying and winter construction heating. This merger expands the ARTUS Group's workforce to more than 200 employees. In addition, its presence throughout Germany now includes Leipzig, Dresden, Chemnitz, Berlin, Eberswalde, Magdeburg, Halle and Munich. The general renovation company now has 19 branches in all.

ARTUS Group is an investment company of the Odewald KMU II Fund. The Odewald KMU II Fund currently holds seven investments with a total turnover of around EUR 130 million and around 1,300 employees. It focusses on profitable, fast-growing medium-sized companies characterised by German engineering excellence, intelligent services, and healthcare.

BLOMBERG Legal & Tax (Alexander Pupeter) provided tax advice to ARTUS on the structure and contract negotiations for this transaction.

Legal advice was provided by a Heuking team, led by Pär Johansson and Kristina Schneider.

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