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Accelerating international growth

Sentica acquires Treston

A fund managed by the private equity company Sentica Partners has acquired a majority of Treston Oy, a provider of furniture solutions for industrial and other technological environments. Over the next five years, the owners aim to build up the Group's net sales to over EUR 100 million through organic growth and add-on acquisitions.

As a result of the transaction, a fund managed by Sentica Partners holds 60 percent of Treston Oy, while the previous owners retain the remaining 40 percent. The operational management of Treston will continue in their current positions.

"Over the past few years, the Treston Group has sought considerable growth. For example, early in 2011 we made a significant move by acquiring Sovella Oy. Co-operation with Sentica Partners is a logical step forward as part of the Group's growth strategy. Treston's resources will be substantially bolstered by Sentica, and the owners together aim to build the company into a leading European manufacturer of technical furniture and storage systems," says Leo Saarikallio, Managing Director of Treston.

"Treston is an extremely well-managed company that has been able to operate successfully and establish a strong market position, despite fluctuations in economic cycles. Sentica sees plenty of growth potential in Treston both on its existing markets and new prospective ones," says Eero Leskinen, Investment Director for Sentica and now also Board Chairman for Treston.

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Treston

Founded in 1969, Treston is a company providing its customers with furniture solutions for industrial and other technological environments. The Group's operations are divided in two main product lines: Industrial Furniture and Storage Systems. The company's headquarters are located in Turku, Finland. Besides Finland, Treston also operates in other countries such as Sweden, Norway, Germany, France, the UK, the USA, Poland and China. The Treston Group has a staff of around 320 people, and in 2011 its net sales amounted to EUR 53 million. www.treston.com