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IDINVEST INDUSTRIAL ASSETS FUND (ISIA) MAKES FIRST EQUIPMENT LEASING INVESTMENT TO FRENCH SME

- €200m ISIA Fund finances the acquisition of state-of-the-art manufacturing machinery for automotive business MBF Aluminium
- Modernising industrial production tools will support the growth of MBF Aluminium in domestic and international markets

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Idinvest announced today the first investment by the Idinvest Industrial Assets Fund (ISIA) to fund upgraded manufacturing machinery to MBF Aluminium (MBF), a leading French aluminium parts supplier for the automotive industry.

ISIA has invested €4.2m into MBF Aluminium across a financial lease and sale-and-leaseback, which has allowed MBF Aluminium to purchase three groups of pressurized injection molding machines and a tribofinishing vibrator.

Providing a reactive, flexible and tailor-made financing solution will allow ISIA to support MBF's growth in French and wider European markets with the provision of leasing financing that allows MBF to purchase state-of-the-art machinery and increase productivity. Founded in 1941, MBF Aluminium has diversified its operations over recent decades to become a top European injection moulding, machining and assembly manufacturer of European parts, producing on average 4 million parts per year.

This marks the ISIA Fund's first investment following its €200m initial fundraising announced in September, backed by the European Investment Fund (EIF), and a number of leading European institutions. Targeting an eventual €300m close, the Fund intends to finance European SMEs to help increase their competitiveness and productivity in both local and international markets.

The ISIA team explain: "This first investment illustrates our ability to fully respond to the challenges of industrial SMEs looking to upgrade their assets in order to gain in competitiveness and gain ground in new markets."

Manuel Martins, Managing Director of MBF Aluminium adds: "We are very pleased to have started a collaboration with the ISIA fund which provides us with a financing solution perfectly adapted to our modernization challenges. Based upon leasing financing, we have new ways to acquire new, more efficient machines while retaining the financial leeway

needed for our development.” Gianpiero Colla, President of CMV Ltd / MBF Aluminium said: “MBF Aluminium is in a steep growth phase and we plan in the future to retain this partnership with ISIA, whose seriousness, rigor and responsiveness were much appreciated.”

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About Idinvest

Idinvest Partners is a reputed European mid-market private equity firm. With close to €9bn under management, the firm has developed several areas of expertise including innovative startup venture capital transactions; mid-market corporate debt, i.e. single-tranche, senior and subordinated debt; primary and secondary investment and private equity advisory services. Founded in 1997 under the name AGF Private Equity, Idinvest Partners used to be an Allianz subsidiary until 2010, when it branched out as an independent firm.

About MBF Aluminium

MBF Aluminium is part of the Group CMV. It is one of the leading European specialists in high pressure die-casting, machining and assembling of aluminium parts in large series for automotive industry. Located in Saint-Claude (Jura), it employs 283 people in its two plants in Plan d’Acier and Etables which produce an average of 45t per day and 4 million pieces a year.