

Freight forwarding company: Luther advises ERKA on sale to Noerpel Group

Stuttgart, 31.05.2023 – With retroactive effect from the beginning of the year, the Ulm-based Noerpel Group took over 100 % of the forwarding company ERKA from Stuttgart. The sellers were advised by Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft during the takeover.

Growth is the goal: The Noerpel Group wants to strengthen its market position in Europe, further expand its international transport business and continue to grow in the import and export sector – through the merger with ERKA, these goals are now to be achieved together.

The takeover follows years of cooperation between the two companies based on partnership. All employees as well as the management of ERKA will be taken over completely.

The Luther teams from Stuttgart, Munich and Hanover advised ERKA on the transaction.

The contracts for the merger of the Noerpel Group with ERKA were signed on 16 May 2023. The transaction is subject to the approval of the antitrust authorities.

About ERKA Internationale Spedition GmbH:

ERKA Internationale Spedition GmbH was founded in 1977 in Stuttgart-Bad Cannstatt and specialised exclusively in Italian transports until 1996. With a steadily growing customer portfolio and order volume, the company moved to its own forwarding facility in Stuttgart-Weilimdorf in 2001. ERKA has been able to continuously expand the concept of groupage express transports and today serves 65 target destinations in 19 European countries with an extraordinary partner network and is one of the market leaders in southern Germany with this range of services. In the 2022 financial year, ERKA generated a turnover of around EUR 67 million. For more information, visit: www.spedition-erka.de

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