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**Access Capital Partners holds the first closing of its 8th
generation European smaller buy-out Fund of funds at
€412 million**

European Private Assets specialist Access Capital Partners (“Access”) is pleased to announce the first closing of Access Capital Fund VIII Growth Buy-out Europe (“ACF VIII” or the “Fund”), securing €412 million of commitments from investors, out of a €700 million target size.

ACF VIII is a Fund of funds targeting investments in European SMEs, through primary fund commitments (at least 60% of the Fund’s size) and secondary transactions (up to 40% of the Fund’s size) in European smaller buy-out funds. With this new Fund, Access consolidates its leadership position on the European smaller buy-out Fund of funds segment where it is often the largest investor in the selected funds.

The Fund will continue to focus on general partners demonstrating proactive sourcing capabilities resulting in a price advantage and lower gearing, as well as clear growth strategies with a significant buy and build component.

Access’ Managing Partners, Agnès Nahum and Philippe Poggioli, commented: “We are grateful to investors for their support to this fundraise which saw institutions from Germany, the UK and France renewing their confidence in this strategy and in Access’ established track record. ACF VIII provides a valuable offering to investors seeking a diversified exposure to strong performing smaller buy-out funds in Europe, which remain difficult to access.”

As for its predecessor Funds of funds, ACF VIII will apply Access’ responsible investment approach across its investment and monitoring processes.



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Established in December 1998, Access Capital Partners is an independent Private Assets manager, majority owned by its management. With offices in six European countries and aggregate investor commitments of €9.4 billion, Access' integrated expertise offers exposure to Smaller Buy-outs, Infrastructure, and Private Debt through funds of funds, direct & co-investment funds and customized client solutions. The team is fully committed to integrating Environmental, Social and Governance best practices into its investment strategies, acknowledging that a responsible investment approach partially mitigates investment risk and enhances long term returns.



€9.4bn
AUM



250+
INVESTORS



6
EUROPEAN OFFICES



75
PROFESSIONALS

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