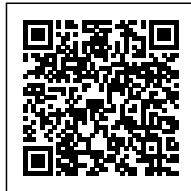


RLD ADVISES VIAMED SALUD ON ITS SALE TO MACQUARIE GROUP

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RLD has advised Viamed Salud on its sale to Macquarie Group. This way, the Group lands in the

Spanish hospital business market and consolidates its business diversification strategy in Iberia



RLD has advised Viamed Salud's shareholders, one of the leading hospital groups in the national market, on the sale of 100 per cent of the company to the Australian investment bank Macquarie Group, through its investment fund Macquarie European Infrastructure Fund 6 (MEIF 6), which has appointed Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets (MIRA) as its investment manager.

This transaction represents a new Corporate operation in the hospital sector in Spain with the irruption of one of the largest investment funds in the world. This way, Macquarie Group continues with its strategy of business diversification, betting on investing in the private health care sector, a strategic sector with a strong presence in Spain. The company's capital was previously divided between a consortium of private shareholders, whose majority partner was the family office Direct Investments, owned by the Yera family.

Viamed Salud is one of the leading private healthcare groups in Spain, where it provides top-quality services through a hospital network comprising nine medical-surgical hospitals, three convalescent centres, a social-health centre and 15 outpatient centres. Viamed Salud has facilities in nine Spanish cities, with a strong presence in La Rioja, Aragon and Andalusia. It has a staff of more than 3,000 healthcare professionals and the latest diagnostic techniques available to patients.

On behalf of RLD, the advisory team from the M&A area was led by partner Rafael López-Diéguez Gamoneda (pictured) and included lawyers Fernando Gómez y Gómez Calcerrada, Coloma Gil-Albert, Paloma Gómez Santos and Rafael López-Diéguez Piñar.

On the other hand, EY Abogados advised the shareholders on Tax, Commercial and Due Diligence matters. EY's team was led by Tax partner Araceli Saenz de Navarrete, Commercial-M&A partner Susana Gómez Badiola, and Labour partner Raúl García.