



Press release

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LINXIS Group announces the acquisition of Unifiller Systems

LINXIS Group, a leader in specialized equipment solutions for the bakery and health industries, announces the acquisition of Unifiller Systems (“Unifiller”), a global leader in the design and manufacturing of portioning and depositing equipment for small and mid-sized bakeries.

Based in Vancouver, Unifiller Systems offers a wide range of industry-recognized equipment solutions for its international base of clients. With this acquisition, LINXIS Group, parent company of VMI, Diosna and Shick Esteve, further expands its international footprint and equipment portfolio.

“We are very pleased to join the LINXIS team, we share the same passion for innovative solutions and the same focus on operations. Our strategic view is fully aligned and we are convinced that LINXIS can help us in the next phase of our expansion,” said Mark Soares, CEO of Unifiller.

“With its portfolio of market-leading equipment, strong reputation and robust track record of success, Unifiller is a perfect fit for LINXIS. We share the same values and continuous focus on delivering the highest quality standards to our customers. We are very pleased to welcome Mark and his team: they will bring their deep industry expertise,” added Didier Soumet, CEO of LINXIS Group.

LINXIS Group welcomed the IK VIII Fund, advised by IK Investment Partners, as majority shareholder in October 2017.

The financial terms of the transaction are not disclosed.

About LINXIS Group

LINXIS Group is a global leader in specialized equipment for bakery, pharmaceutical, and cosmetics industries. Primarily based in France, Germany and the US, the group consists of leading companies focusing on mixing technologies (VMI and Diosna) and ingredient dosing systems (Shick Esteve), and addresses both industrial and craft production. Through its various subsidiaries, the group employs approximately 800 people. For more information, visit www.linxisgroup.com

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