

Εξαγορά της G4S από τη Brink's

Η Brink's, ήδη παγκόσμιος ηγέτης στην αγορά της παροχής υπηρεσιών ασφάλειας, χθες 26 Φεβρουαρίου 2020 ανακοίνωσε τα σχέδια της για την εξαγορά του Cash Operations του βασικού ανταγωνιστή μας G4S plc σε 14 χώρες κατά κύριο λόγο στην Ευρώπη αλλά και στην Ασία.

Η πολλή σημαντική αυτή συναλλαγή, αντιπροσωπεύει τη μεγαλύτερη μέχρι σήμερα εξαγορά μεριδίου της αγοράς από τη Brink's σε παγκόσμιο επίπεδο. Παράλληλα, αποτελεί μια εξαιρετική στρατηγική κίνηση που ισχυροποιεί ακόμα περισσότερο τη θέση μας ως πρωτοπόρου στην παγκόσμια αγορά και μας παρέχει ένα ευρύτερο και ακόμα ισχυρότερο πεδίο για τη ραγδαία ανάπτυξη όλου του φάσματος των δραστηριοτήτων μας.

Ακολουθεί απόσπασμα από την ανακοίνωση του Ομίλου.

The Brink's Company (NYSE: BCO) the global leader in total cash management, route-based secure logistics and payment solutions, today announced that it has agreed to purchase for approximately \$860 million (£660 million) the majority of the cash operations of U.K.-based G4S plc (LSE: GFS), a global security and cash management company.

The transaction adds 14 new markets to the existing Brink's footprint. It includes cash management operations in 14 new markets: the Netherlands, Malaysia, Romania, Belgium, Ireland, Kuwait, the Czech Republic, the Philippines, the Dominican Republic, Cyprus, Indonesia, Lithuania, Estonia and Latvia excluding the entire G4S Retail Cash Solutions business and cash operations in the U.K., South Africa and several smaller markets.

Doug Pertz, president and chief executive officer of Brink's, said: "This transaction represents our largest acquisition to date and further demonstrates our disciplined approach to value-added capital allocation. The acquisition of these select G4S cash operations is an excellent strategic fit that provides a strong platform for substantial growth. It positions us to extend our proven Strategy 1.0 organic revenue and operating profit growth initiatives into 14 new markets including cash-intensive, emerging growth markets in Asia and Eastern Europe.

"In addition, our expanded global footprint is expected to provide new avenues for accelerated growth as we begin to execute our Strategy 2.0 initiatives, targeted to further penetrate the global cash ecosystem with new high-margin, less capital-intensive solutions. We look forward to closing the transaction, executing our strategic initiatives, and driving substantial revenue and profit growth."

The acquisition will be completed in multiple phases, with more than half of the enterprise value expected to close within 60 days. The remaining closings are expected to be completed before December 31, 2020 based on the estimated timing required to obtain necessary licenses and other approvals.