

## Company announcement 35 Allerød, 9 January 2014

## Accelerated bookbuilt offering of up to 7,918,186 existing shares in Matas A/S

Matas A/S ("Matas") has just been informed that Svenska M Holding 1 AB (ultimately owned by certain funds advised by affiliates and subsidiaries of CVC Capital Partners SICAV – FIS S.A. – a private equity firm), has agreed to sell up to 7,918,186 existing shares in Matas, equivalent to its entire shareholding, in an accelerated bookbuilt offering to institutional investors (the "Transaction").

Carnegie Investment Bank, filial af Carnegie Investment Bank AB (publ), Sverige ("Carnegie"), Morgan Stanley & Co. International plc ("Morgan Stanley") and Nordea Markets (Division of Nordea Bank Danmark A/S) ("Nordea Markets") are acting as Joint Bookrunners in the Transaction. Bookbuilding will commence immediately and it is anticipated that books will close on 10 January 2014, although Carnegie, Morgan Stanley and Nordea Markets reserve the right to close the books at any time. A further announcement will be made following completion of the bookbuilding and pricing of the Transaction.

Materialisternes Invest Holding ApS, C.C. Clea Capital Ltd. and Mainvest ApS are not selling any shares in connection with the Transaction.

Matas will not receive any proceeds from the Transaction.

A copy of the press release from Carnegie, Morgan Stanley and Nordea Markets is attached.

Matas A/S

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## **About Matas**

Matas is the largest health and beauty retailer in Denmark. Since its incorporation in 1949 as an association of independently owned stores, the company has developed a strong reputation for professional advice and customer service excellence that it has leveraged to establish one of the best-known retail chains in Denmark. Matas offers a distinctive one-stop retail concept which serves a broad range of health, beauty, household and personal care needs. The company has more than 2,400 employees and in the financial year 2012/13, revenue amounted to DKK 3,200 million.

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