



PRESS RELEASE

**DEA CAPITAL COMPLETES THE PURCHASE
OF INDIRECT INVESTMENT IN GÉNÉRALE DE SANTÉ**

Milan, July 3, 2007 - Pursuant to the agreements signed during April 2007, DeA Capital S.p.A. is pleased to announce that the wholly owned Group subsidiary company DeA Capital Investments S.A., has, on today's date, completed the purchase of an investment, equivalent to 43.01% of the company share capital, in Santé S.A. (**Santé Luxembourg**). Santé Luxembourg is the controlling shareholder, directly and via Santé Développement Europe S.A.S. ("**SDE**") of Générale de Santé S.A. ("**GDS**"), a company listed on the Eurolist Market in Paris, market leader in private healthcare in France.

Following the simplified public offer promoted in relation to GDS and SDE shares, and more recent purchases made by the latter, at today's date Santé Luxembourg and SDE together hold 80.62% of GDS share capital.

The total investment by DeA Capital Investments S.A., at closing, was €347 million.

Further details on this transaction can be found in the press releases dated April 16, 2007 and June 18, 2007 and in the prospectus relating to the DeA Capital S.p.A.'s share capital increase, published on June 22, 2007.

"Following the considerable investment in IdeA I Fund of Funds completed in mid-June, the GDS transaction represents a further significant step in the construction of the DeA Capital investment portfolio", stated Paolo Ceretti, CEO of DeA Capital, "The competitive position enjoyed by GDS and the potential of the private healthcare sector in Europe constitute an excellent background for the achievement of value creation objectives forecast for this investment, in keeping with our portfolio development strategy."

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