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## Vauban Infrastructure Partners announces the closing for the acquisition of a portfolio of three windfarms in the Nordics.

Vauban Infrastructure Partners ("Vauban") announces the closing of the acquisition of 100% of Nordic Renewable Power Holding ("NRPH AB") from Green Investment Group by CI IV Sweden Holding AB, a wholly owned subsidiary of Core Infrastructure IV Sàrl itself owned by Core Infrastructure Fund IV SCA SICAV-RAIF and Core Infrastructure Fund IV SCSp ("CIF IV"). NRPH AB is a portfolio of three windfarms located across the Nordics.

The three windfarms, totaling 40 wind turbines for an aggregated capacity of c. 170MW, are fully operational. The supply of wind turbines was conducted by the top-notch players Siemens Gamesa Renewable Energy & Vestas.

The portfolio is backed by a solid contractual framework with long term operating contracts with the same leading WTG players, long term offtake agreements with high creditworthiness counterparties. The windfarms are very well located, in the NO2 and SE3 Nord Pool zones which are considered favorable from a price and electricity demand standpoint.

NRPH AB is a strong addition to Vauban's CIF IV's portfolio which further increases the Vauban's commitment towards energy transition as well as its footprint in the Nordics. In addition, the transaction presents several key characteristics that make it an attractive investment – it fits in CIF IV's strategy as it is a core asset, located in a stable and AAA rated geography with high cash flow visibility over a very long term, and has a very strong ESG thesis in line with CIF IV SFDR objectives as it increases the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix and contributes to provide sustainable energy solutions to local communities and industrial players.

The Investment Team has been advised by:

- Astris Finance: M&A Advisor
- White & Case and Wiersholm: Legal Advisor
- Baringa: Commercial Advisor
- ARUP: Technical Advisor
- Alvarez & Marsal: Financial and Tax Advisor
- Willis Towers Watson: Insurance Advisor
- Klinkby Enge: ESG Advisor

**Sam Zhang, Investment Director at Vauban Infrastructure Partners** says: "Vauban, through this transaction, expands its footprint in the Nordics and allows to further strengthen its expertise in the energy transition sector. This transaction shows evidence of Vauban's ability to identify and assess high quality core assets and its commitment toward its environmental responsibilities as long-term investor."

Marine Meiller, Vice President at Vauban Infrastructure Partners, adds: "We are very pleased to complete this acquisition and contribute to European energy transition targets through this investment in one of the most attractive markets for renewable energy. Alongside key operating partners and with the support of local communities we will be highly committed to secure long-term value for all the stakeholders."

## **About Vauban Infrastructure Partners**

Vauban Infrastructure Partners is a leading Infrastructure Asset Manager focused on European core infrastructure investments. Headquartered in Paris, Vauban employs over 67 professionals, the majority of whom have been working together for over a decade. Vauban is the fully-fledged affiliate of Natixis Investment Managers dedicated to sustainable infrastructure equity investments. Vauban targets predominantly European brownfield mid-market assets, and pursues a long-term, yield-driven strategy that matches the underlying nature of the assets & the long-term commitment to all stakeholders' interests through a strong focus on creating sustainable value. Vauban has raised c.€7.7 billion across 6 funds in core infrastructure from over c.100 investors from 17 different countries and has invested in over 70 assets in the mobility, energy transition, social infrastructure, and digital infrastructure sectors across 13 different geographies.

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