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EPSM: New Board Members from Austria and Greece Robert Komatz from Paylife and Tony Sillopulos from EDPS join the EPSM board

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At the recent Annual General Meeting of the European payment provider association EPSM, Robert Komatz from the Austrian acquirer Paylife and Tony Sillopulos from Greek service provider EDPS were elected as new EPSM board members. Also, Nicolas Adolph from InterCard and Georg Riepe from AGES were re-elected in their functions as chairman and treasurer.

Günther Wild (B+S Card Service) had resigned from his office as deputy chairman due to his planned future retirement, and Klaus Frandsen (formerly Nets) had resigned as he had left the payments business.

"The contributions of Günther Wild and Klaus Frandsen were both very valuable to the EPSM, we thank very much for their activities and wish both of them all the best!" said Nicolas Adolph at the meeting, hosted by the payment processor Equens in Utrecht, Netherlands.

About the EPSM:

The European payment association EPSM represents the interests of "merchant looking" payment service providers. It works as a cost-effective interest representation and general information exchange on payment issues relevant to its members.

Since its founding in April 2005, the EPSM has grown to 62 members from 13 European countries. The 39 voting members are mainly network operators, acquirers, and internet payment providers. The additional 23 non-voting members are mainly payment schemes, processors, and terminal manufacturers.

The association is in contact with the European Commission, the ECB, and other European and national organisations. The chairman of the EPSM is a member of the "Payment Systems Market Expert Group (PSMEG)" of the European Commission.

The activities for members include quarterly meetings with external speakers, general information by e-mail, a homepage with a non-public "EPSM Intranet" and a monthly "EPSM Market Research Newsletter".

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