

## **NB Private Equity Partners Announces Extension to Share Buy-Back Programme**

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NB Private Equity Partners Limited ("NBPE" or "the Company"), a closed-end private equity fund of funds investment company, today announces the extension of the share buy-back programme (the "Programme") that was implemented with effect from 22 October 2010. The Programme, which was due to expire on 31 March 2012, was designed with the objective of implementing the capital return policy announced by the Company on 15 October 2010. The Board believe that it is in the interests of shareholders in the Company to extend the term of the Programme to 31 May 2012. The other terms and conditions of the Programme will not be amended in any way.

NBPE has appointed Jefferies International Limited ("Jefferies") to manage the Programme and authorised Jefferies to effect on-market repurchases of class A ordinary shares ("Shares") on behalf of the Company on Euronext Amsterdam and/or the Specialist Fund Market of the London Stock Exchange plc (each an "Exchange").

Pursuant to and during the term of the Programme, Jefferies may independently of, and without influence by NBPE, purchase Shares from time to time at its absolute discretion provided that:

- i) the maximum price payable for a Share on an Exchange may not exceed the higher of (i) the price of the last independent trade; and (ii) the highest current independent bid, in each case with respect to the Shares on the relevant Exchange; and
- ii) the aggregate number of Shares which may be acquired on behalf of the Company in connection with the Programme (inclusive of any Shares repurchased by the Company prior to the date of this announcement) shall not exceed 6,776,250 (representing 12.5% of the Company's issued share capital as at the date of this announcement).

4,966,304 Shares have been bought back by the Company to the date of this announcement, representing 9.2% of the issued share capital of the Company.

Share buy-backs under the Programme will be made pursuant to the shareholder authority granted to the Company at the Annual General Meeting held on 16 May 2011, as detailed in the announcement made by the Company on 16 May 2011.

Due to the limited liquidity in the Shares, a buy-back of Shares pursuant to the Programme on any trading day is likely to represent a significant proportion of the daily trading volume in the Shares on the relevant Exchange (and is likely to materially exceed the 25% and 50% limits of the average daily trading volume during September 2010 as referred to in the Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2273/2003 on buy-back programmes).

NBPE will continue to make a public announcement of any market repurchase of Shares no later than 7:30a.m. (London time)/8:30a.m. (Amsterdam time) on the business day following the calendar day on which the repurchase occurred. Shares bought back under the Programme will be cancelled.

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**About NB Private Equity Partners Limited**

NBPE is a closed-end private equity fund of funds investment company with class A ordinary shares admitted to trading on Euronext Amsterdam and the Specialist Fund Market of the London Stock Exchange. NBPE has ZDP shares admitted to trading on the Specialist Fund Market of the London Stock Exchange and the Daily Official List of the Channel Islands Stock Exchange. NBPE holds a diversified portfolio of private equity fund investments and direct co-investments selected by the NB Alternatives group of Neuberger Berman, diversified across private equity asset class, geography, industry, vintage year and sponsor. Established in 1939, Neuberger Berman is one of the world's largest private, independent employee-controlled asset management companies, managing approximately \$193 billion in assets as of 31 December 2011.

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*Jefferies is acting for NBPE and no one else in connection with the repurchase of Shares pursuant to the Programme and will not be responsible to anyone other than NBPE for providing the protections afforded to clients of Jefferies or for providing advice in relation to such repurchases, or to the matters referred to in this announcement.*