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Grant Thornton Financial Advisory Services

Our M&A team acted as **exclusive Financial Advisor** to the shareholders of St. Louis School, International School which provides an outstanding and exclusive course of study for pupils from 2 to 18 years old, in the sale of their majority stake to INSPIRED, an organization backed by EDUCAS

St. Louis School

St. Louis School is based in the center of Milan and offers educational services and extracurricular activities for around 1,000 students in 2 distinct buildings. SLS has been founded in 1996 and during this years the numbers of students has registered a significant growth. Today the St. Louis School is recognized as Top Ranked School by International Educational Boards as International Baccalaureate and University of Cambridge.

Grant Thornton Financial Advisory was engaged by the shareholders of St Louis to identify a suitable financial player willing to support the company growth.

The Investor

Inspired is a leading premium schools organization in Europe, Australia, Latin America and Africa with over 15,000 students. Inspired is backed by Educas, an education investment firm founded by Nadim M Nsouli.

Grant Thornton Financial Advisory Services structured the deal, identified the potential buyer and assisted the sellers throughout the whole transaction.



“Grant Thornton Financial Advisory Services has helped us finding a strategic partner who, more than anyone else, could ensure the growth of our school and an absolutely excellent positioning. Their strategic role was focused on mitigating complexities typical of a deal with a foreign, international player. They guided us step by step through all phases of the process, putting always our interests first. I am glad to recommend GTFAS to anyone wishing to be assisted by an outstanding M & A boutique.”

St. Louis School Owners

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