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Press release

Altamir Amboise announces the opening by the Commerce Court of Paris of a safeguard procedure (*Procédure de Sauvegarde*) regarding Financière Hélios following Financière Helios' request.

Financière Helios, a company controlled by funds managed by Apax Partners SA and Altamir Amboise, is the main shareholder (43.1%) of Séchilienne-Sidec.

The safeguard procedure has no consequences on Séchilienne-Sidec's financial situation or operations.

Investors can refer to Financière Helios' press release for more information.

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About Altamir Amboise

Altamir Amboise is a listed private equity company with over €350 million under management, targeting NAV per share growth in line with the top-performing private equity players.

Altamir Amboise co-invests with the funds managed by Apax Partners SA, a leading private equity firm with over 30 years of investing experience. It offers investors access to a diversified portfolio of fast-growing companies across Apax' sectors of specialisation: Tech & Telecom, Retail & Consumer, Media, Healthcare, Business & Financial Services,

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