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Following a press article published yesterday, Groupe Steria SCA would like to reiterate that its Supervisory board and the Board of Directors of its General Partner Soderi, have decided to approve the planned friendly combination with Sopra Group, with which they had been in exclusive talks for several months. Prior to this decision, both Chairmen had informed their respective board members of a letter received from the company AtoS, with an invitation to enter into talks about a potential offer at a price of "around" 22 euros.

The planned friendly combination of Sopra and Steria has the ambition to create a European leader in digital services with a combined revenue of €3.1bn and operations in 24 countries, joining the talents of over 35,000 professionals in order to serve large international clients. It allows to preserve Steria's human and industrial assets and the shareholder agreement with Sopra GMT will maintain the employee shareholding values.

The proposed friendly tie-up with Sopra Group should generate annual operational cost synergies of €62m and as an ambition to form a group that is capable of generating strong organic growth with the objective of achieving revenue of over €4bn and progressively improve the operating margin on business activity to approach the 10% mark.

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