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Acquisition makes Kerridge Commercial Systems a leading trade ERP software provider in the Benelux

Kerridge Commercial Systems (KCS), a market-leading global provider of software solutions to the retail, wholesale, merchant and distribution markets, has reached an agreement to acquire AGP, based in Veghel, the Netherlands.



UK headquartered KCS already provides software to 14,000 customers worldwide, offering end to end ERP solutions including Supply Chain Management, Quote to Cash, Financial Management, CRM, Warehouse Management, Transport Management, Business Intelligence, ePOS and more, specifically for the wholesaler, distributor, retailer and merchant sectors. The acquisition supports the company's strategy of continued growth and follows five other acquisitions during the last 24 months, including 2 in the USA, 2 in South Africa and 1 in the UK.

Like Kerridge Commercial Systems, AGP has been delivering wholesale ERP Solutions for more than 40 years, as well as solutions for hire, projects and the installation industry. The company's suite of products makes them a leader in the Wholesale ERP market in the Netherlands.

AGP will continue to maintain and support its existing solutions, including Trade, Rent, Projects and Installware. In time they will introduce new benefits to their customers from the KCS portfolio such as advanced e-commerce and Cloud services, along with an optional upgrade path to the established suite of KCS services and products. To further support existing customers of its K8 ERP system, KCS will look at integrating some of the solutions from the AGP suite.

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- Ian Bendelow, CEO, Kerridge Commercial Systems



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Ian Bendelow, KCS Group CEO, said, "As a key strategic acquisition in the Benelux, this further strengthens our presence on the European continent, and expands our service capabilities and product offerings. As we further our platform for growth, AGP affirms and aligns with our on-going business strategy of focusing on the needs of merchants, wholesalers, retailers and distributors.

Our customers will benefit from an even stronger Netherlands based team to support our customers' needs.

The KCS Group will continue to build organically with its industry focused solutions and customer focused service, constantly attracting more customers and helping existing customers to succeed and grow. We will add further strategic acquisitions to enhance our geographical presence and capability for our growing customers.

Michiel Bakker, Director of Operations - KCS Benelux added: 'Combining the two companies strengthens our offering of ERP Solutions and Cloud Services in the same verticals, allowing us to grow even further in the Benelux. The ERP solutions complement each other and they secure a place in the market from niche customers to large global enterprises.'



About Kerridge Commercial Systems (KCS)

We provide specialist software, services and support to deliver fully integrated trading and business management solutions to distributive trades customers, large and small – wherever they are in the world. Immersed in the distributive trades for over 40 years, our technical experts are thought leaders in trading and management technology, and our innovative and flexible approach ensures our customers partner with us for the long-term.

Our mission is simple: to design and deliver high performance, integrated ERP solutions that enable our distributive trade customers to source effectively, stock efficiently, sell profitably and service competitively.

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