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Luther supports sale of the navigation provider skobbler to US American Telenav

Hamburg – The Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH supported the app developer from Berlin skobbler GmbH in the sales of the company to the listed US American Telenav.

The sales agreements were signed on 30 January 2014. Telenav has acquired the start-up from Berlin in exchange for payment of the purchase price and Telenav shares.

Luther has been supporting financing and exit transaction of start-up companies for a few years, last - in October 2013 - the shareholders of metrigo GmbH in their entry into the Axel-Springer subsidiary Zanox.de AG.

In the course of the sale of skobbler to Telenav, Luther was supported by Locke Lord LL.P., Dallas, Texas/USA regarding questions about the laws governing the US capital market and antitrust law.

About skobbler

skobbler was founded by managers of the navigation company Navigon AG, which has been bought out by Garmin in the meantime, and has become one of the leading providers on the market for mobile location related services. The company, having its registered office in Berlin and a development location in Romania, employs a workforce of more than 80 employees.

In 2010, skobbler was the first company to bring a commercial app on the market that was based on OpenStreetMap (OSM) for iOS and Android. In OpenStreetMap – comparable to Wikipedia – the users maintain the map material. On the basis of these open maps, skobbler can offer commercial apps on a much more competitive level than other producers that use proprietary maps. Telenav will now use this technology as well. All associates of skobbler will become part of the OSM-team of Telenav.

About Telenay

Telenav is a US American company listed on the NASDAQ with close to 900 employees. It offers GPS-based navigation solutions, mobile advertisement, and work-flow automation. The headquarters of the company are located in Sunnyvale, California/USA.

For skobbler GmbH

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