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The Belgian Competition Authority approves the acquisition of sole control of Hansea NV by DWS Alternatives Global Limited

The Investigation and Prosecution Service of the Belgian Competition Authority (BCA) has approved on 19 July 2019 the acquisition of sole control of Hansea NV by DWS Alternatives Global Limited via its subsidiary InfraMobility.

The concentration was notified on 8 July 2019. The application of the simplified procedure was requested.

DWS Alternatives Global Limited is a company under British law active in financial asset management. DWS is controlled by Deutsche Bank, headquartered in Frankfurt, Germany.

Hansea NV is a company located in Antwerp. Hansea provides urban and interurban transport services on behalf of public transport operators as well as authorized coach services, and is active in school and staff transport. Hansea also provides travel agency services in Flanders.

In its decision of 19 July 2019, the BCA finds that the conditions for the application of the simplified procedure are met and that the notified merger does not raise any objection.

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