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# Bisnode renewing strategic partnership with D&B

**Ratos's subsidiary Bisnode has signed an agreement to renew its strategic partnership with D&B, the leading provider of global credit information. The renewed contract has terms in accordance to previous agreement and gives Bisnode the exclusive rights to resell and develop international D&B solutions in 11 European markets for the next 10 years.**

“D&B has been our strategic partner for the last eight years and we are very glad to renew our partnership. This agreement will enable us to meet our customers' rising demand for global solutions while at the same time developing local products based on international data of high quality. The partnership with D&B will ensure our ability to maintain current revenues within Credit Solutions, as well as enable further growth,” says Lars Pettersson, CEO of Bisnode.

Bisnode will retain operational responsibility for reselling and developing solutions based on global D&B data and analytics for the following markets: Sweden, Denmark, Finland, Norway, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Poland, Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic.

Bisnode is a leading European provider of digital business information with services within market, credit and business information. Using Bisnode's services companies can increase their sales, reduce their risks and improve their day-to-day business decisions. Operations are conducted in 17 countries in Europe. In 2011 sales amounted to SEK 4,310m and EBITA to SEK 447m. The group has about 3,000 employees.

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