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WELCOME

As 2024 unfolds, markets are grappling with trying to navigate an unpredictable landscape. Inflation, reduced mobility, and the looming 'super-election' year are only a few of the factors causing uncertainty and volatility across various industries and nations. The Nordic M&A market is no exception.

In light of these challenges, what can your companies do to adapt your strategic approach to M&A value creation in times of increasing volatility? And how can you turn challenges into opportunities? Tonight's event is your chance to take the next step towards being more resilient in an ever-evolving world.

At the Nordic M&A Forum, the Swedish Chamber of Commerce for the UK is gathering top names and stakeholders from across the industry, from banks, asset managers, private equity and advisory firms, from both the City and the Nordics, to discuss current and future trends and challenges.

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AGENDA

18.00

Welcome & Introduction <

Fredrik Warneryd, Chief Executive, Swedish Chamber of Commerce for the UK

Registration

18.30

Keynote: The State of Nordic M&A

Alex Murray, Vice President Research Insights, Pregin

Market Trends and Outlook

Per-Olov Bergström, Head of Nordic Region,
Rothschild & Col
Nuala Higgins, Head of Private Equity, Carnegie
Investment Bank
Sofie Nordgren, Partner, Vinge
Fredrik Wranéus Head of Continental Europe and
Nordic Investment Banking, Jefferies
Moderator: Jan Olsson, CEO of the Nordics,
Deutsche Bank

Financing M&A Deals

Narjiss Iguider, Senior VP Acquisition & Leveraged Finance, J.P. Morgan

Tove Lindberg, Managing Director & Head of Leveraged Finance SE, Nordea

Fred Odlind, Director, Lincoln International Moderator: Ivan Levingston, European Deals Reporter, Financial Times

Triple A in M&A, the Strategic Buyer's Perspective

Eukasz Adamczyk, Director M&A and Corporate Development, ASSA ABLOY, Opening Solutions EMEIA Geert Follens, President Vacuum Technique Business Area, The Atlas Copco Group Shaun Grady, Senior Vice President, Business Development Operations, AstraZeneca Moderator: Rasmus Kindlund, Partner, Linklaters

Closing Remarks <

Daniel Stillit, Managing Director & Co-Founder, Adjunct Value Partners, Master of Ceremonies Fredrik Warneryd, Chief Executive, Swedish Chamber of Commerce for the UK

Driving Sustainable Transformation through M&A

Nicholas Allen, Head of Investment, Vattenfall Heat UK Kristine Boe, Head of Renewable M&A Origination, Equinor

Arnaud Bouillé, Managing Director, Regional Head Europe & Africa, Clean Technology, Standard Chartered Bank

Moderator: Rasmus Kindlund, Partner, Linklaters

20.30

◇ Drinks & Networking

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Daniel Stillit

Managing Director & Co-Founder, Adjunct Value Partners

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SPEAKER

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KEYNOTE: THE STATE OF NORDIC M&A

Alex Murray

Vice President Research Insights, Preqin

Alex is a built environment economist specialising in private financing of public infrastructure. Starting his career in KPMG, Corporate Finance, his research of operational infrastructure led to his PhD in whole life cost and value. As a researcher and lecturer at UCL's Bartlett School of Sustainable Construction, he produced the analysis for a 2013 government commission on supply chains finance in construction, published with the 2013 UK Government construction strategy. He was later a Senior Analyst at the Infrastructure and Projects Authority. Alex joined Preqin as Vice President in September 2020, where he specialises in coverage of real assets.



MARKET TRENDS AND OUTLOOK

Per-Olov Bergström Head of Nordic Region, Rothschild & Co

Per-Olov Bergström is Rothschild & Co's Head of Nordic Region based in the Stockholm office. Per-Olov has more than 35 years experience in the Nordic M&A, Equity and Debt capital markets having provided advice across a wide range of industries.



Nuala HigginsHead of Private Equity, Carnegie Investment Bank

Nuala Higgins is Head of Private Equity at Carnegie Investment Bank. Nuala joined Carnegie's Stockholm office in 2011 and has more than 20 years' of banking experience. Before joining Carnegie, she have had experiences from both Danske Bank and AC Advisory. Nuala has been involved with M&A transactions such as Lift Systems, Doggy, Dellner, Evondos, EG, Greenfood, Happy Socks and many more. Nuala has also been involved with, amongst others the following IPO transactions: Hemnet, Actic, Bygghemma, Inwido, Karnov and Nordax Bank.



Sofie Nordgren

Partner, Vinge

Sofie Nordgren is an M&A partner at leading Swedish law firm Vinge. She has extensive cross-border experience in the full range of corporate matters, including private equity transactions, joint ventures, growth investments, restructurings and management equity plans, as well as related corporate advisory work. Sofie is dual qualified in both English and Swedish law and spent over 10 years in London working for UK and US law firms.



Fredrik Wranéus

Managing Director, Lincoln International

Fredrik has over 25 years of investment banking experience. He has had a central role in building out Jefferies' investment banking operations in Stockholm, Frankfurt, Amsterdam, Paris, Milan, and Madrid. Although covering clients and executing transactions on a European basis, his emphasis is on clients in the Nordic region. Prior to Jefferies held similar roles at Credit Suisse and Bank of America Merrill Lynch. Fredrik was also one of the co-founders of Cordet Capital, the alternative credit and direct lending fund. He graduated from Lund University, School of Economics and Management.



Moderator:

Jan Olsson

CEO Nordics, Deutsche Bank

Jan joined Deutsche Bank in 1988 and has held several positions within M&A, Structured Finance and Corporate Finance. He holds a BA from Pomona College, an MBA from Wharton, an MA from University of Pennsylvania, and a Graduate Diploma in Business Studies from the London School of Economics.



TRIPLE A IN M&A, THE STRATEGIC BUYER'S PERSPECTIVE

Łukasz Adamczyk

Director M&A and Corporate
Development, ASSA ABLOY, Opening Solutions
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Łukasz Adamczyk is responsible for origination, negotiation and execution of transactions for the EMEIA division of ASSA ABLOY Group. Since joining ASSA ABLOY in 2017, he completed over 30 transactions across the region, including several divestments such as the carve-out and sale of Certego to Nalka. Prior to joining ASSA ABLOY he was part of Rothschild & Co's Global Financial Advisory team based in London and focusing on telecom, media and technology clients.



Shaun Grady

Senior Vice President, Business Development Operations, AstraZeneca

Shaun Grady has global responsibility for Business Development Operations at AstraZeneca, leading the company's transaction execution, due diligence and Alliance and Integration Management function including licensing and partnering, M&A, externalisation and divestments. Shaun was appointed to his current role in 2013. Prior to this, he was Vice President, Strategic Partnering & Business Development (2010-13) and Vice President, Corporate Business Development (2006-10).



Geert Follens

President Vacuum Technique Business Area, The Atlas Copco Group

Geert Follens became President Vacuum Technique Business Area for the Atlas Copco Group in January 2017. Prior to this he was the President of the Edwards Vacuum Solutions Division in January 2014 following the successful acquisition into the Atlas Copco Group. He has a proven record in running dynamic businesses with different challenges. He is currently based in Edwards UK Head Office. Geert has been a board member for SKF since 2019. Geert holds a Master of Science in Electrical Engineering and Power Generation from the University of Leuven, Belgium.



Moderator:

Rasmus Kindlund

Partner, Linklaters

Rasmus Kindlund is a Stockholm based corporate partner at Linklaters. He has extensive experience within mergers and acquisitions and private equity, with a particular focus on energy transition transactions. Recent mandates include advising the financial lead investor of Northvolt and the co-lead investors of H2 Green Steel. He is recognized as a Next Generation Partner in the Legal 500.





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FINANCING M&A DEALS

Narjiss Iguider

Senior VP Acquisition & Leveraged Finance, J.P. Morgan

Narjiss is a Senior Vice-President in Acquisition and Leveraged Finance at J.P. Morgan. With 9 years within the Investment Banking in EMEA. She advises corporates and financial sponsors on various financing solutions from both the debt capital markets and the direct lending market in the Nordics and France / Benelux regions. She has an extensive transaction experience from the origination to the execution of various financing transactions covering the broad spectrum of Private Equity and corporates financings in both mid cap and large cap space.



Tove Lindberg

Managing Director & Head of Leveraged Finance SE, Nordea

Tove is Managing Director and Head of Leveraged Finance Sweden at Nordea. With 15+ years within Investment Banking in the Nordics, she has extensive transaction experience from covering the broad spectrum of Private Equity financings; small cap to large cap, full product palette, from origination of new deals to restructurings. Before joining Nordea, she has experience from EY as well as the Swedish Export Credit Agency.



Fred Odlind

Director, Lincoln International

Fred advises financial sponsors and corporate clients on financing solutions from the debt markets to support acquisitions and growth. He also advises clients on refinancing and amendments to existing debt facilities. Fred combines more than 16 years of experience arranging leveraged loans with deep technical capabilities to tailor optimum structures for our clients. Before joining Lincoln, Fred worked for the Bank of Scotland where he arranged mid-market U.K. leverage finance transactions, and Mizuho Bank where he focused on the Nordic region's leverage finance transactions.



Moderator:

Ivan Levingston European Deals Reporter, Financial Times

Ivan Levingston reports on European deals for the Financial Times. He has previously covered technology and venture capital for Bloomberg News.



DRIVING SUSTAINABLE TRANSFORMATION THROUGH M&A

Nicholas Allen

Head of Investment, Vattenfall Heat UK

Nick is a district heating funding and financing specialist. Within Vattenfall Heat UK he leads on M&A and Funding. He has been at the forefront of funding, structuring and M&A for district heating in the UK since 2015. He has worked in low carbon and renewable energy since 2006. Nicholas has a unique background having worked in Investment Banking, Central Government and now an Energy Company over the past 25 years and has led large multinational, multidisciplinary teams to deliver complex international infrastructure projects.



Kristine Boe

Head of Renewable M&A Origination, Equinor

Kristine heads up renewable M&A origination at Equinor, an international energy company committed to long-term value creation in a low-carbon future. Prior to joining Equinor in 2019, Kristine was at Morgan Stanley within the Energy Investment Banking Division. She holds an M.Sc. in Industrial Economics and Technology Management from the Norwegian University of Science and Technology.



Arnaud Bouillé

Managing Director, Regional Head Europe & Africa, Clean Technology, Standard Chartered Bank

Arnaud is a Managing Director at Standard Chartered Bank, based in London, where he heads the Cleantech business across Europe and Africa since 2019, with a particular focus on M&A advisory. Arnaud is a corporate finance professional with ~20 years of banking and advisory experience in the Energy Transition sector, previously with KPMG and EY.



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CLOSING REMARKS

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UPCOMING EVENTS



17 April | Ecosystem Exchange: Fintech

Join us for an opportunity to accelerate your Fintech business to new heights. Designed exclusively for innovative Startups, Scaleups and SME:s poised for growth, this dynamic one-day event gives a transformative experience tailored to propel your business forward in the competitive landscape of the UK fintech ecosystem.



17 April | International wine, spirits and beer tasting 2024

The Swedish Chamber of Commerce for the UK is pleased to invite its members and friends to the 14th edition of CFCC's International Tasting: Wine, Spirits & Beer, an international networking event organised by the Council of Foreign Chambers of Commerce in the UK (CFCC).



30 April | Swedish Business Footprint in the North East

North East England has a diverse and thriving economy. Historically strong in heavy industries, tech start-up figures are now the highest in the country compared to its size, and skills are improving faster than the national average. Welcome to an afternoon of sectoral insights, success stories, and high-level networking in Newcastle, as we look into the Swedish business footprint in the North East



3 October | Impact 2024

With growing calls for a green recovery and societal acceleration in fighting climate change – business, policy makers and consumers need to walk hand in hand. Join us at Impact 2024 to hone in on the key issues and solutions in helping us reduce our footprint, and together reaching the United Nations sustainable development goals.

For further information and to sign up, please visit www.scc.org.uk

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CONNECT

We offer plenty of networking opportunities through our 60+ events per year, the Member Directory and through matchmaking and member introductions. As a member, you are also invited to host, sponsor or speak at our events.

Want to discuss what a membership could do for you? Get in touch: hannah.carlsson@scc.org.uk

