Abstract

CVC Capital Partners manages $52 Billion in assets and is one of the world’s leading private equity and investment advisory firms. Founded in 1981, CVC today employs over 420 people throughout Europe, Asia and the US. The firm has historically been one of the largest investors in the chemical industry with former portfolio companies including Univar, Taminco, Evonik, Flint Ink, Materis, and Acordis amongst others.

The presentation will give an overview of the CVC’s investments and overall investment thesis in the current environment. After exiting its remaining positions in Evonik and Univar in 2016, CVC remain invested in ChemicaInvest, a carve-out of four DSM Chemical Assets and its operating units, Aliancys (composite resins) and Fibrant (acrylonitriles).

The renewed focus on manufacturing is generating a new array of opportunities for investors in the businesses of chemistry.

Join us to hear the insights of the CVC architect of its US industrials and energy portfolio and his views about the investment outlook and potential changes due to dynamic regulatory environment.

Speaker: Thomas Kichler. Three decades of experience as advisor and principal investor in over 100 M&A transactions with a value exceeding $50 billion have not slowed down Thomas Kichler in his quest for finding growth opportunities as Partner and US Head of Industrials and Energy at CVC.

Prior to joining CVC in 2016, he was a partner at One Equity Partners (the investment arm of JP Morgan), where he worked since 2002. He previously worked at Citigroup CIB (Salomon), Wasserstein Perella and Ernst & Young.

Kichler is on the Board of Directors at Anchor Glass, and he previously served as Chairman or a member of the Boards of East Balt, PeroxyChem, Sonneborn Refined Products, Columbian Chemicals, LBC Tank Terminals, OCI, Western Hospitals and Progress Rail Services.

He received the 2014 Leadership Award for Distinction in Private Equity at the CME Diamond Jubilee. He received a BSE from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.