

# NORDIC CAPITAL

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## **Nordic Capital strengthens the position in Norway - Tom Vidar Rygh joins as a Partner**

**Tom Vidar Rygh has joined Nordic Capital with responsibility for Nordic Capital's focus in Norway. The recruitment of Tom Vidar Rygh will provide a local presence which will further strengthen Nordic Capital's competitiveness in Norway.**

Nordic Capital is very proud to announce that Tom Vidar Rygh will start his position with NC Advisory AS in Norway. With Tom Vidar Rygh's vast experience that combines both the financial and industrial sector in an unrivalled way, and with his extensive network, Tom Vidar Rygh will further strengthen Nordic Capital's position in Norway. There are many interesting investment opportunities in the Norwegian market and Nordic Capital's ambition is to further enhance its focus and activities in Norway, says Anders Hultin, NC Advisory AB.

I am looking forward to participate in the establishment of a new NC Advisory office in Norway and to build a team that will be able to source interesting investment opportunities. Nordic Capital's proven strategy and value creating skills can make a difference and further improve and strengthen the portfolio companies. I believe that Norway has a lot of unexplored opportunities for the private equity sector where Nordic Capital can support companies in their expansion or internationalisation strategies, both on an industrial and financial basis. To succeed in this market you need both a local and an international approach and Nordic Capital combines both. We also hope to establish several prosperous partnerships with other industrial owners, says Tom Vidar Rygh.

### *About Tom Vidar Rygh:*

Mr Rygh holds an MSc in Business Administration from the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration. He has held various leading positions within industrial and financial companies. Mr Rygh has also been Director of several listed and unlisted companies in a number of different sectors including Carlsberg Breweries, Storebrand ASA, Dyno ASA, Eniro AB and Helly Hansen ASA. He has also been the Chairman of Telenor ASA, Aktiv Kapital, Orkla Finans AS and several other companies as well as served as advisor to a number of prominent international investment groups.

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