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Vontobel agrees mutual settlement with German authorities concerning untaxed assets held by German clients

Payment fully covered by provisions, will have no financial impact on figures for current fiscal year

Vontobel has agreed a mutual settlement with the authorities in the German state of North Rhine-Westphalia in connection with untaxed assets held by German clients. It will pay a one-off sum of approximately EUR 13.3 million. Provisions for legal and litigation risks in this matter had already been taken out as at December 31, 2017.

The mutual agreement with the authorities in North Rhine-Westphalia, which applies to all German states, completes Vontobel's efforts to rectify past mistakes. Vontobel's main concern from the outset was to ensure clarity and legal security, particularly in the interests of its staff.

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