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## **Transaction Announcement**

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Established in 2009 in Bournemouth, Koh currently operates 12 restaurants across Dorset, Wiltshire, Somerset and Hampshire. The group has built a strong name in the South, won numerous national awards such as Eat Out's 'Brand of the Year 2016' and is currently ranked 6<sup>th</sup> in the UK as 'Best Employer in Hospitality'. Alongside its restaurants, Koh operates pop-up lounges for private parties and large public events such as the Bournemouth Air Show.

Marechale Capital plc acted as adviser to Andy Lennox and the Koh Thai Group team, securing investment from Alcuin Capital Partners. Andy Lennox, CEO of Koh Thai Group, commented: "It's been a pleasure to work with Patrick and the team, they have worked hard on our deal and we are incredibly pleased with the outcome."

Patrick Booth-Clibborn, Marechale's CEO commented: "At Marechale we are fortunate to have advised and financed some of the UK's leading premium casual dining management teams and premium brands. Andy, his team, and the Koh brand very much tick these boxes and we are delighted to have helped Andy manage the process and agree terms with Alcuin."

Marechale Capital is a leading leisure focused corporate finance house. The completion of the Koh transaction follows on from successfully refinancing and funding growth capital rounds of other leading consumer/leisure brands, in particular Brewhouse & Kitchen and Chestnut Inns in the latter half of 2016.

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