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<u>Paris, 19 September 2025</u> – Cohen & Gresser, a law firm specializing in business law, is pleased to announce that it has assisted 22D Music Group, an expert in music rights management, in its acquisition of a stake in the music publishing company Velvetica Music.

This partnership, "based on a shared vision of rights management: independent, expert, and resolutely focused on the needs of our partners and clients", represents "the merger of two highly complementary players in the French music publishing industry", said Emmanuel Delétang of 22D Music Group.

22D Music Group, founded in Paris in 2006, manages the catalogues of leading audiovisual producers (France Télévisions, RTVE, UGC, Banijay, etc.) and represents acclaimed composers and artists. The company also provides music services for films and series and has become a major reference in international music rights management.

Established in 2011, Velvetica Music is an independent publisher and administrator active in both audiovisual and pop music. It works with Gaumont, Pathé, and the band Phoenix, while also fostering the development of new generations of artists.

Cohen & Gresser AARPI advised 22D Music Group with a team led by France Portmann Loy (partner), with associates Pauline Thuet and Eleonore Messina. The firm Cazals Manzo Pichot Saint Quentin (Thomas Cazals, partner) advised on the tax aspects of the transaction.

About Cohen & Gresser:

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