

UniCredit receives recognition in the Deal of the Year for CEEMEA M&A at GlobalCapital Equity and M&A Awards 2023

Belgrade, 10th June, 2024 - This year, UniCredit received recognition at GlobalCapital Equity Capital Markets and M&A Awards 2023 for playing key roles in the awarded **CEEMEA M&A Deal of the Year** –Telekom Srbija Group’s carve-out and disposal of its tower portfolio in the Western Balkans to an Actis-led consortium.

UniCredit acted as M&A sell-side advisor to Telekom Srbija Group, as well as Global Coordinator and Bookrunner on the buy-side acquisition financing for Actis.

"We are proud of the winning transaction, which once again confirms the ability and expertise of UniCredit Bank. We use our pan-European expertise and presence to support clients, such as Telekom Srbija Group, with a wide range of advisory services and financial products. This prestigious recognition confirms UniCredit Bank as a reliable advisor to clients, which provides expertise and a holistic offer oriented towards their needs", said **Nikola Vuletić, President of the Management Board of UniCredit Bank.**

"The mentioned award represents an important recognition for Telekom Srbija Group as well, as another confirmation of the correctness of our current business strategy and business moves, by which we are recognized on a global level as well. The project of separating antenna poles came as a logical sequence in accordance with the trends of the world's largest operators at a time when tectonic changes are taking place in the field of telecommunications. With this, we have shown that we have a clearly defined vision and goal - namely, that we are determined to transform from a traditional telecommunications operator into a technology company of the future. In this very demanding and complex process, we were extremely helped by the expertise and advisory work of the complete financial team of UniCredit Bank, for which we are very grateful", said **Vladimir Lučić, CEO of Telekom Srbija.**

GlobalCapital Equity Capital Markets and M&A Awards highlight banks and companies that demonstrate consistency, innovation and determination to execute transactions in tough market conditions.

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