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## IMAP Strengthens its Presence in Norway

### *Long time IMAP member Nordic Merger AS merges into Rokade.*

Tampa Bay, Florida (January 30, 2008) – The International Network of M&A Partners (IMAP) announces the merging and admission of a new member firm from Norway into its organization. Rokade joins IMAP after effecting a merger with Nordic Merger AS. This expands the IMAP presence in Norway and brings additional high quality advisors into the organization.

“Rokade’s acceptance into IMAP strengthens our already strong presence in the Nordic region,” said IMAP president Karl Fesenmeyer. IMAP ranked No. 1 in middle market completed transaction up to \$50 million according to the recently released Thomson Financial leagues tables.

Oddbjorn Skredderberget founder of Nordic Merger and past president and chairman of IMAP commented, “This merger and expansion of the IMAP office in Norway allows both firms to better serve clients than we could separately.” “I agree with Oddbjorn,” said Ketil Wig, Managing Partner of Rokade. “Our clients seek stronger global advisory coverage and IMAP will help us to better serve this interest.”

**About Rokade:** Rokade provides middle market M&A advisory and post-transaction integration services in Norway. Rokade place a strong emphasis on senior advisor support backed up with a strong emphasis on research and analysis. As the largest independent M&A advisor to the middle market, Rokade has the depth and experience to manage transactions of all size and stay involved to ensure that the transaction functions as intended by the involved parties.

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### **About IMAP:**

IMAP is an exclusive global organization of leading merger and acquisition advisory firms. Formed in 1973, IMAP is composed of 56 firms with 100 offices in 35 countries throughout North and South America, Eastern and Western Europe, Australia and Asia. IMAP transaction advisors completed 254 transactions in 2007 with an aggregate transaction value of \$9.95 billion.

IMAP advisors provide strategic merger, acquisition, divestiture and related corporate finance services. Sellers of mid-size companies and corporate acquirers alike rely upon IMAP for essential local market knowledge and industry expertise delivered with unparalleled global reach. More information is available via the Internet at [www.imap.com](http://www.imap.com)

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