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HLB appoints member firm in Russia



MOSCOW - HLB, the global network of independent advisory and accounting firms, today welcomes NEO Centre as its newest member firm in Russia.

The company joins one of the fastest growing networks, with global revenues of \$2.73 billion and a presence in 153 countries.

Established in 1997 and with over 150 employees, NEO Centre provides a range of services including business and asset valuation, raising finance, investment and PPP support, engineering, strategic and management consulting. Based in Moscow and with offices in Kazan,

the capital city of the Republic of Tatarstan in Russia, a major industrial, cultural and religious centre, for more than 20 years NEO Centre has been helping clients in Russia and the CIS to develop and grow their businesses. Cooperating with an extensive network of contacts with leading banks, state corporations and industry leaders – NEO Centre can take on all challenges.

Valeria Plotnikova, CEO of Russian consulting company NEO Centre: "I am delighted that NEO is joining HLB. This achievement is the result of decades of hard work, striving to provide the very best services to deal with global challenges, while sharing our experience and best practices. Joining HLB is a step forward to new opportunities, expertise and challenging projects."

With the addition of this new business consulting firm, HLB is continuing its strategic transformation and focus on the future. NEO Centre will strengthen the Russian federation and broaden the network's expertise and coverage in this key economic market.

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