

## Merodis advised Coeman's shareholders on the partnership with Creafund

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**Merodis** ([www.merodis.com](http://www.merodis.com)), an independent corporate finance advisory firm, is pleased to announce it has successfully advised the shareholders of the Coeman Group (Coeman) with the execution of its long-term strategic vision. Coeman's leading market position attracted significant interest from international and local strategic bidders as well as from private equity firms. Today, Coeman teams up with Creafund with CEO Philip Coeman and CFO/COO Luc Vanderbeke remaining on board to further accelerate Coeman's growth trajectory.

**Coeman** ([www.coeman.be](http://www.coeman.be)) is a value-added distributor and direct import specialist of high-grade plastic transport packaging materials & machines demonstrating over 35 years of highly successful entrepreneurship, translating in circa EUR 40m sales. It is the Belgian market leader in the distribution of stretch film and industrial tapes and also offers an extensive range of other packaging consumables as well as end of line packaging machines.

**Creafund** ([www.creafund.be](http://www.creafund.be)) is a sector agnostic investment holding that focuses among others on growth financing and buy-out capital to support mature medium-sized companies in their geographical or vertical growth ambition. It was founded in 2001, has since supported the growth of more than 30 companies, and currently has EUR 200m under management.

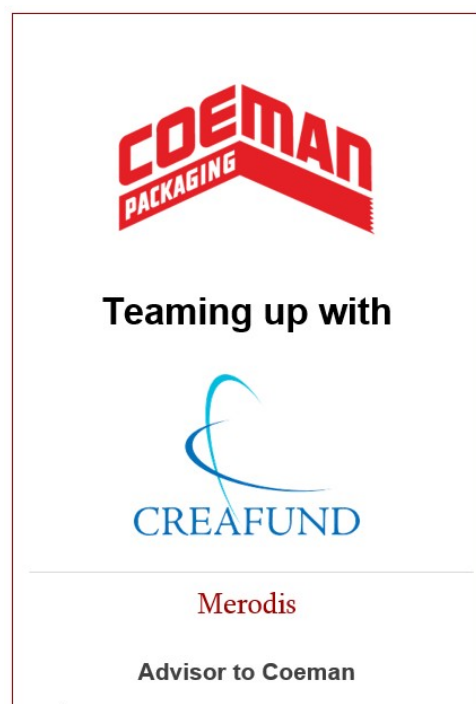
With today's partnership Coeman is entering the next stage of his growth trajectory. "This partnership with Creafund marks the beginning of a new era and the continuation of our strong traditions," says Philip Coeman. "Creafund has an indisputable track record in supporting companies in their growth ambitions", adds Luc Vanderbeke, CFO/COO, also underlining that "the management remains fully committed to its team so it continues to excel in servicing customers with the righteous and fit-for-purpose product offering."

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