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FD tops first half European M&A league tables

In the first half of 2005, Financial Dynamics (FD) topped the pan-European M&A league tables, as published by mergermarket, by both volume and value of transactions, advising on 92 deals worth over Euro 45 billion.

FD has consistently topped the European league tables by volume for the last five years.

Examples of transactions FD has worked on in the first half of 2005 include:

- Holcim's £1.8bn acquisition of Aggregate Industries
- Cinven's €5bn acquisition of Amadeus
- Taylor and Francis Group's £1.1bn merger with Informa
- Aviva's £1.2bn acquisition of RAC
- AP Moller Maersk's €2.3bn offer for P&O Nedlloyd
- Deutsche Annington's €7bn offer for Viterra

For further information please go to:

League tables for Europe (including regional/national tables):

http://www.mergermarket.com/pdf/Press_Release_for_PR_Advisers_Q2_2005_Europe.pdf

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