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PRESS RELEASE

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CONSOB APPROVED THE PROSPECTUS FOR THE INITIAL PUBLIC OFFERING
AND ADMISSION OF OVS ORDINARY SHARES TO TRADING
ON THE MERCATO TELEMATICO AZIONARIO MANAGED BY BORSA ITALIANA S.P.A.

The indicative valuation range has been set between a non-binding minimum price of Euro 4.00 per Ordinary Share and a binding maximum price of Euro 5.40 per Ordinary Share.

Venice, February 12, 2015 – **OVS S.p.A.**, Italy's market leading value fashion retailer, owned by BC Partners, announces that on February 11, 2015 it has **obtained approval from CONSOB for the Prospectus for the Initial Public Offering** issued for the purpose of the admission of the Company's Ordinary Shares to trading on the Mercato Telematico Azionario organized and managed by Borsa Italiana S.p.A.

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CONSOB's approval follows the admission of OVS Ordinary Shares to listing on the Mercato Telematico Azionario granted on February 10, 2015 by Borsa Italiana.

For the sole purpose of enabling the collection of manifestations of interest by institutional investors, the selling shareholder Gruppo Coin S.p.A. and OVS S.p.A., in agreement with the Global Coordinators, have identified an indicative valuation range between a non-binding minimum price of Euro 4.00 per Ordinary Share and a binding maximum price of Euro 5.40 per Ordinary Share.

The Prospectus will be filed with Consob and made available at the placement intermediaries (*collocatori*) as well as at the registered offices of OVS S.p.A. (Via Terraglio 17, 30174 Venezia-Mestre). The Prospectus will also be available on the Company's website www.ovscorporate.it and on the websites of the placement intermediaries (*collocatori*) and Borsa Italiana S.p.A..

The notice regarding the publication of the Prospectus will be published in the Italian newspapers Il Sole 24 Ore and Milano Finanza on February 13, 2015.

The Global Coordinators of the transaction are Banca IMI, BofA Merrill Lynch, Goldman Sachs International and UniCredit Corporate & Investment Banking; Credit Suisse and HSBC will act as Joint Bookrunners.

In addition, **Banca IMI** is acting as **Lead Manager** of the retail offering ("responsabile del collocamento retail") and **Sponsor**.

Latham & Watkins LLP is acting as Italian and international **legal advisors** for OVS and **PricewaterhouseCoopers** is acting as **auditors. Lazard** is acting as **financial advisors**. **Facchini, Rossi & Soci** is acting as tax advisor for OVS S.p.A, while Gruppo Coin S.p.A., as selling shareholder, is assisted by **Bonelli Erede Pappalardo**.

White & Case LLP is acting as Italian and international **legal advisors** for the Global Coordinators, Joint Bookrunners and Lead Manager.

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The OVS Group is the market leading value fashion retailer in Italy. It creates, produces and sells clothing apparel for women, men and children under the brands OVS and UPIM, and has an extensive sales network across the country. The OVS brand, which represents more than 80% of the Group's turnover, combines fashion, quality and Italian style, always at the most affordable prices. The OVS Group is owned by BC Partners, a leading private equity firm, and in the financial year ended 31 January 2014 it achieved consolidated revenues of €1.136 billion.

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The banks (including the global coordinators and bookrunners) appointed in relation to the Global Offering (together, the "Managers"), are acting exclusively for the Company and the Selling Shareholder and no-one else in connection with the Global Offering.

They will not regard any other person as their respective clients in relation to the Global Offering and will not be responsible to anyone other than the Company and the Selling Shareholder for providing the protections afforded to their respective clients, nor for providing advice in relation to the Global Offering, the contents of this announcement or any transaction, arrangement or other matter referred to herein.

In connection with the Global Offering, each of the Managers, the Selling Shareholder and any of their affiliates, acting as investors for their own accounts, may purchase Ordinary Shares and in that capacity may retain, purchase, sell, offer to sell or otherwise deal for their own accounts in such Ordinary Shares and other securities of the Company or related investments in connection with the Global Offering or otherwise.

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