

Hamilton Bradshaw

Human Capital Investment Group (HCIG) sold to leading private equity group, Graphite Capital

Today, Hamilton Bradshaw announced the completed sale of Human Capital Investment Group (HCIG) to leading private equity group, Graphite Capital.

Originally founded in 2007, HCIG, a specialist recruitment company expanded quickly, with revenues growing by 28% to an impressive £217 million. HB were “delighted and proud” to hand over the reins to Graphite.

Graphite has a long and successful track record in the business services and recruitment sectors. In the last two years, it has sold the leading supply teaching specialist Education Personnel for £300 million; Alexander Mann Solutions, the leading provider of talent acquisition and management services, for £260 million; and NES Global Talent, the international technical recruitment group, for £234 million. Its remaining investments in these sectors include TMP Worldwide, the UK's leading recruitment employer brand and communications agency.

The sale completed what the management team described as an “incredibly exciting seven year journey”; from the initial investment in the business, to enabling its growth, appointing the right people and finally finding a buyer.

Commenting on the sale, James Caan CBE said;

“This sale created a unique opportunity for all the businesses to gain value through their LTIP’s and shareholdings through HCIG. It has also solidified our vision of building one of the most exciting recruitment groups in the UK.

“This exit has been more than just a sale for those involved. It really has changed lives and created wealth through partnership and mutual success. In turn, crystallising the dream and crystallising value.”

Ian Wolter, founder of Eden Brown said;

“Partnering with HB is all about shared ownership and wealth creation, for me it has secured both my business aspirations and my personal ones too. The HCIG sale exceeded all my expectations.”

This successful sale and exit is proof that the HB model works; experts in scaling businesses, creating value and making strong, lasting partnerships.

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