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SMG European Recovery SPAC SE launches bookbuilding for up to €115 million private placement and listing on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and targets business combination with a company in the European real estate-related hospitality sector with a focus on lodging and leisure

**Luxembourg, May 25, 2022 – SMG European Recovery SPAC SE** (the "Company"), a Luxembourg special purpose acquisition company (SPAC), today announces the start of its private placement of 11,500,000 units (the "Units"), consisting each of one share (a "Public Share") and one half of a warrant (a "Public Warrant"), at a price of  $\notin$ 10.00 per Unit for an aggregate of  $\notin$ 115 million. The Units will be solely offered to institutional investors. The private placement is expected to end on or before May 26, 2022.

The Company is sponsored by SMG Holding S.à r.l. (the "Sponsor"), an affiliate of Dr. Stefan Petrikovics, Obotritia Capital KGaA (the "Co-Sponsor"), an affiliate of Rolf Elgeti, as well as certain members of the Supervisory Board of the Company. The Company was established for the purpose of acquiring one operating business in a member state of the European Economic Area, the United Kingdom or Switzerland in the form of a merger, capital stock exchange, share purchase, asset acquisition, reorganization or similar transaction (the "Business Combination") and plans to target a company in the real estate-related hospitality sector with a focus on the sub-sector lodging and leisure. The Company will have 15 months from the date of the admission to trading to consummate the Business Combination. This period may be extended up to two times, in each case by three months, by resolution of the Company's shareholders' meeting if the Company signs a letter of intent with a potential seller of a target within the initial 15 months. Otherwise, the Company will be liquidated and distribute substantially all of its assets to its shareholders.

SMG SPAC Investment S.à r.l. ("SMG Investment"), an affiliate of the Sponsor has agreed to subscribe for 2,500,000 Public Shares and 1,250,000 Public Warrants in the form of Units in the private placement for an aggregate subscription price of  $\in$ 25,000,000 (the "Sponsor Investment"). The Sponsor Investment is funded utilizing a loan facility provided by ELF European Lending Fund I S.C.Sp. SICAV-RAIF, a fund managed by ELF Capital Advisory GmbH, and secured by pledges over the shares in SMG Investment and the Public Shares subscribed under the Sponsor Investment. In addition, pursuant to an investment agreement entered into between the Company and de Krassny GmbH (the "Cornerstone Investor") an affiliate of Alain François Marcel de Krassny, the Cornerstone Investor has agreed to subscribe for 3,000,000 Public Shares and 1,500,000 Public Warrants in the form of Units in the Private Placement for an aggregate subscription price of  $\in$ 30,000,000.

The Company has applied for admission of the Public Shares (ISIN: LU2380749676) to trading on the regulated market (*regulierter Markt*) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (General Standard) and for introduction to trading of the Public Warrants (ISIN: LU2380751656) on the open market (*Freiverkehr*) of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (*Börse Frankfurt Zertifikate AG*). Trading of the Public Shares and Public Warrants is expected to commence on June 1, 2022.

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