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## Empira Group Expands with New North American Corporate Headquarters in Miami

- Leading Swiss investment firm expands footprint to best serve clients' global needs

**Miami (Florida), 9 January 2024** - Empira Group, the Swiss-based institutional real estate investment firm, today announced the opening of a new North American headquarters in Miami, Florida. Located at 200 S. Biscayne Boulevard, in downtown Miami which has been dubbed the "Wall Street of the South", Empira Group now occupies more than 10,000 square feet on the 46<sup>th</sup> floor of the Southeast Financial Center.

Empira Group first established its US presence in Miami in 2021 and has since expanded its local team and operational capabilities. The move to a new, larger space comes at a time of distinguished growth for the company and is part of an aggressive expansion plan to propel value creation. Led by Rafael Aregger, Head of Investments US, the new headquarters is a modern working environment with space for up to 50 employees spanning multiple disciplines including acquisitions, real estate development, asset management, capital markets, marketing and corporate functions.

"Our expanded office space in Miami represents another important milestone for Empira Group as we capitalise on the momentum we have built over the last two years and continue to grow the business," said Lahcen Knapp, Founder and Chairman of the Board of Directors at Empira Group. "Miami is a vibrant city with global appeal that has quickly become a respected corporate hub attracting fast-growth companies and top tier talent. With more team members on the ground,

we're demonstrating a long-term commitment to the North American market and are well-positioned to serve our clients' needs globally, while developing new strategic institutional capital partnerships.”

The new office was designed by OTJ Architects and features an open environment layout set among floor-to-ceiling windows that capture striking views of the city skyline and Biscayne Bay. A variety of seating arrangements throughout the floor plan include individual workspaces and formal and informal gathering spaces that provide employees, partners and clients with many ways to meet and collaborate. All areas are equipped with the latest technology to allow for seamless and instant connection in today's tech-driven world.

**About Empira Group:**

Empira Group is an institutional real estate investment firm headquartered in Zug, Switzerland, with offices in Germany, Luxembourg, the U.S., UK, Sweden, Austria, and UAE. As a leading player in alternative investments across Europe and the U.S., Empira Group manages €9 billion in assets under management. Offering institutional investors a vertically integrated platform for participation and financing solutions, its real estate and capital market specialists have expertise across the entire residential and office real estate value chain. For more information, please visit <https://www.empira-invest.com/>