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Tech Investor VT Partners Forms Tie-Up With Paladin

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VT Partners, a London-based technology investor founded this year by former deal-makers from C5 Capital and GMT Communications Partners, has partnered with U.S. firm Paladin Capital Group to source investments and foster the growth of portfolio companies.

Based in Washington, DC, Paladin is a cybersecurity-focused investment firm that has committed more than \$1 billion in venture-capital and private-equity deals.

The collaboration will enable "resource, knowledge and network sharing between the two complementary teams", the firms said in a joint statement.

"The collaboration with Paladin will provide VT with access to deep domain expertise in cybersecurity and critical infrastructure, a broader pool of resources and a U.S. network to support portfolio company expansion," the statement said. "Paladin will gain access to VT's European network, and Nazo Moosa will provide leadership and guidance for Paladin's European team from deal sourcing to exit."

Ms. Moosa launched VT with Natalie Tydeman this year, having previously been managing partner at C5, another technology-focused buyout firm with a cybersecurity focus. Before that she spent 12 years investing in technology companies at Carlyle Group LP.

"Nazo has been investing in European cybersecurity longer than almost anyone else," Michael Steed, founder and managing partner of Paladin, said in the release.

Ms. Tydeman's previous role was as senior partner at GMT, a specialist media investment firm.

VT plans to invest on a deal-by-deal basis "for now", but the firm may seek to raise a fund next year, according to a spokeswoman for the firm who said its investors include funds of funds that backed Ms. Moosa and Ms. Tydeman in their previous firms.

"VT targets high growth European companies in dynamic segments of the technology sector operating in its three segments of data intelligence, cybersecurity, and the digitisation of critical industries which have been slow to adopt proven technology," the statement said.