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## Marcum Opens First European Office in Ireland

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New York-based **Marcum** (FY15 net revenue of \$412 million) has opened its first office in Europe. Located in Dublin, **Marcum RBK (Ireland) Limited** is a joint venture with **Russell Brennan Keane (RBK)**, the largest independent accounting and business advisory firm in Ireland.

The new venture was established as a service center for current and future hedge fund and private equity fund clients of the Marcum Alternative Investment Group. It combines Marcum's leadership as a Top 5 U.S. hedge fund service provider with RBK's nearly 60 years of experience providing audit, accounting, taxation and business advisory services to domestic and overseas businesses.

"Marcum RBK (Ireland) is perfectly positioned to assist both mature funds and managers needing to navigate the process of establishing a new fund in Ireland, including optimizing the fund's structure," says **Beth Wiener**, PIC of Marcum's Alternative Investment Group. "We can now provide localized expertise in Ireland to our hedge fund and private equity fund clients to assist them in creating new business opportunities in the investment-friendly Irish market."

The three leading fund domiciles globally are the United States, Grand Cayman and Ireland. Marcum RBK (Ireland) completes the firm's service coverage in each of these areas.

"Marcum's new presence in Ireland, our first in Europe, reflects the firm's commitment to continually expand our service capabilities and geographic footprint to meet our clients' needs. RBK's long history as Ireland's leading independent accounting firm makes them an ideal partner for Marcum in this venture," says **Jeffrey Weiner**, Marcum's MP.

"Ireland has demonstrated a commitment to creating a compelling business environment for funds in Europe. It has become a global financial center due to its competitive tax structure as well as the new opportunities created by Brexit, which is enabling Ireland to step up as a key gateway to the European market," Beth Wiener says.