

## Media release

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# dormakaba strengthens core business and market positioning in North America through acquisition of Avant-Garde

Rümlang, 17 December 2025 – dormakaba has signed a binding agreement to acquire Avant-Garde Systems Inc. ("Avant-Garde"), one of the largest independent solution providers for entrance systems control products in the US. This acquisition represents a core-in-the-core acquisition, strengthening dormakaba's North American go-to-market in access automation solutions.

Founded in 2015 and based in Clarksville, Indiana USA, Avant-Garde is a solution provider in the entrance systems control business, providing a "one-stop-shop" solution for their customers. Avant-Garde combines in-depth entrance control expertise with full-service capabilities, offering full lifecycle from consultation and product selection to installation and support.

The entrance systems control offering belongs to dormakaba's core portfolio, where Avant-Garde adds key capabilities to target strategic growth verticals such as data centers, airports and nation-wide integrators. By expanding its direct solution approach, dormakaba is strengthening its entrance systems control offering and unlocking further growth opportunities in North America.

Till Reuter, CEO dormakaba, says: "We are delighted to welcome the Avant-Garde team into our Group. This acquisition is an important piece to advance our North American growth plan. It will strengthen our entrance systems control capabilities, enhancing our high-margin business as well as positioning us for growth in our key verticals airports and data centers."

dormakaba expects the transaction to be accretive to Group EPS from day 1. The parties have agreed not to disclose further details and the financial terms of the transaction. dormakaba expects to close the acquisition of Avant-Garde Systems Inc. in early January 2026.

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dormakaba is a leading global provider in the access solutions market. The company reimagines access by setting industry standards for smart systems and sustainable solutions across the lifecycle of a building. More than 15,000 employees worldwide provide their expertise together with distribution partners to a growing customer base in more than 130 countries. dormakaba supports its customers with a broad, innovative portfolio of integrated access products, solutions and services that easily fit into building ecosystems to create safe, secure and sustainable places where people can move around seamlessly.

dormakaba is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange and is headquartered in Rümlang near Zurich (Switzerland). It generated a turnover of CHF 2.9 billion in financial year 2024/25.  
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