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## **EVOTEC COMPLETES REPAYMENT OF € 140 M ACQUISITION LOAN**

- ► 140 M BRIDGE LOAN WAS DRAWN TO SECURE EVOTEC'S VALUE CHAIN EXPANSION
  BY SUCCESSFUL ACQUISITION OF APTUIT IN AUGUST 2017
- ► STRONG OPERATIONAL CASH FLOW ENABLES FULL REPAYMENT WITHIN LESS THAN TWO YEARS WHILE MAINTAINING STRONG CASH POSITION

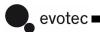
Hamburg, Germany, 18 April 2019: Evotec SE (Frankfurt Stock Exchange: EVT, MDAX/TecDAX, ISIN: DE0005664809) today announced that it has completed the repayment of the € 140 m debt bridge facility Evotec drew down in context of the acquisition of Aptuit in 2017. Effective August 2017, Evotec acquired Aptuit, a partner research organisation for integrated outsourced drug discovery and development, for € 253.2 m in cash. This acquisition was financed through existing cash reserves and a new € 140 m senior debt bridge facility.

In July 2018, Evotec announced that the Company had repaid € 70 m of the € 140 m loan within the first year of the loan term. This repayment of the second half of the debt bridge less than nine months later was enabled mainly due to the strong cash inflow from Evotec's operational activities and through refinancing at more attractive conditions.

Enno Spillner, Chief Financial Officer of Evotec, commented: "The swift repayment of the bridge loan ahead of schedule while maintaining a solid cash position is a further testament to Evotec's strong financial performance. It demonstrates that through its strong operational progress, Evotec not only creates sustainable shareholder value but also adds to the Company's cash-generating operations."

## ABOUT EVOTEC SE

Evotec is a drug discovery alliance and development partnership company focused on rapidly progressing innovative product approaches with leading pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, academics, patient advocacy groups and venture capitalists. We operate worldwide and our more than 2,600 employees provide the highest quality stand-alone and integrated drug discovery and development solutions. We cover all activities from target-to-clinic to meet the industry's need for innovation and efficiency in drug discovery and development (EVT Execute). The Company has established a unique position by assembling top-class scientific experts and integrating state-of-the-art technologies as well as substantial experience and expertise in key therapeutic areas including neuronal diseases, diabetes and complications of diabetes, pain and inflammation, oncology, infectious diseases, respiratory diseases and fibrosis. On this basis, Evotec has built a broad and deep pipeline of approx. 100 co-owned product



opportunities at clinical, pre-clinical and discovery stages (EVT Innovate). Evotec has established multiple long-term alliances with partners including, Bayer, Boehringer Ingelheim, Celgene, CHDI, Novartis, Novo Nordisk, Pfizer, Sanofi, Takeda, UCB and others. For additional information please go to <a href="https://www.evotec.com">www.evotec.com</a> and follow us on Twitter <a href="https://www.evotec.com">@Evotec</a>.

## FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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