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**DR. TOM BURKE, NON-EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN OF REGENT'S PARK
PROMOTED TO CEO OF ROWAN COMPANIES PLC**

LONDON, United Kingdom, 29 April, 2014: Regent's Park Heart Clinics (Regent's Park), an independent company specialising in the provision of cardiology services, today announced Dr. Tom Burke, who holds the title of Non-Executive Director & Chairman of the Regent's Park Business Advisory Board, has been promoted to CEO of Rowan Companies plc.

Dr. Ohri, Chief Executive of Regent's Park said: "I am absolutely delighted to hear this news, it is a well deserved promotion. Tom has been with our company since its inception ten years ago and has played a pivotal advisory role supporting me and my board ever since. Not only has he brought along his name and reputation, but he has always been willing to go that extra mile to be the independent voice that challenges our business practices, finessing what we do across the areas of strategy, performance and risk management."

Rowan Companies plc is a major provider of international and domestic contract drilling services with a leading position in high-specification jack-up rigs. The Company's fleet of 31 jack-up rigs is located worldwide, including the Middle East, the North Sea, Trinidad, Southeast Asia and the Gulf of Mexico. The Company's Class A Ordinary Shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "RDC". The company employs over 5,000 people and has a market capitalisation of US\$4 billion.

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