

# Bird & Bird & International Capital Markets & Deal Highlights

Advised **Berenberg and Grant Thornton** in connection with the placing and admission to the AIM Market of the London Stock Exchange of The Pebble Group, a provider of products, services and technology to the global promotional products industry. The IPO, which was the largest on AIM in 2019, raised gross proceeds of approximately £135 million for the company and its selling shareholders, which includes the private equity house Elysian Capital.

AIM MARKET, LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Waturu A/S**, a greentech company that offers an innovative water technology, on its listing on NASDAQ First North Copenhagen.

NASDAQ FIRST NORTH, COPENHAGEN

Advised **Snack Empire**, a Singapore-based food and beverage group, on its HK \$130 million initial public offering on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong. At point of IPO it had 228 outlets across Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia and Northern California.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Titan Financial Services Limited**, as sole sponsor, on the HK\$96 million initial public offering of Guan Chao Holdings Limited, Singapore's 12th largest automotive manufacturer, on the Main Board of Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **9 Spokes International Limited**, a leading cloud services brokerage listed on the Australian Securities Exchange, in relation to its fully underwritten rights issue and its associated conversion of its short-term funding facility into equity.

AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES EXCHANGE

Advised **Hong Kong Johnson Holdings Co., Ltd.**, Hong Kong's top environmental hygiene service provider, on its initial public offering and listing on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Liberum Capital** on its placing and acquisition by SigmaRoc plc, the AIM listed buy-and-build construction materials group, of Carrières du Hainaut, the Belgian blue limestone and aggregates business, for an enterprise value of €81.3 million.

AIM MARKET, LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Kiadis Pharma NV**, a Euronext Amsterdam and Euronext Brussels listed biopharmaceutical company, on its placing of new shares to raise €28 million by means of an accelerated bookbuild.

EURONEXT AMSTERDAM AND EURONEXT BRUSSELS

We advised **Mothercare plc**, a main market listed British institutional retailer for products for expectant parents, on a high profile corporate restructuring and fundraising, repositioning the ailing UK retailer as a focussed international franchise operator. The transaction involved the placing into administration of the group's UK retail operator, Mothercare UK Limited and the securing of several lines of new funding including a £20m standby underwriting facility provided by Numis Securities, a £10m debt facility provided by a major franchise partner, a £3.4m placing of new shares with certain institutional investors and the provision of £5.5m of convertible loans by certain existing shareholders to provide additional working capital facilities.

MAIN MARKET, LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Upsales Technology**, a Swedish SaaS CRM and marketing automation company, on its initial public offering on the Nasdaq First North Growth Market.

NASDAQ FIRST NORTH GROWTH MARKET

Advised **Wonderscape**, a beauty emporium, on its initial public offering on the Main Board of the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Greek Titan Cement Group** on its migration to Belgium (by way of establishing a new holding company), and relisting (the shares of that new holding company) on Euronext Brussels. The Euronext listing marks an important milestone in Titan's 117 years' path, fully reflecting its international orientation and footprint.

EURONEXT BRUSSELS

Advised **RHB Securities Singapore Pte. Ltd.** and **UOB Kay Hian Private Limited**, the Joint Placement Agents, on the initial public offering of Sim Leisure Group Ltd, a theme park developer and operator of theme parks based in Malaysia, on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

SINGAPORE STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Canaccord Genuity Limited** as nominated adviser and broker to **Kore Potash Plc**, the largest potash project in the Republic of Congo, on its placing of new shares to raise US\$13 million on the AIM Market of the London Stock Exchange.

AIM MARKET, LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Banca Akros** as Sponsor on its placing of shares by Sedea SIIQ S.p.A on Mercato Telematico Azionario of Borsa Italiana S.p.A.

MERCATO TELEMATICO AZIONARIO, BORSA ITALIANA S.P.A.

Advised **Ocean Sky International Limited**, an investment company, on its placing of new shares on the Singapore Stock Exchange.

SINGAPORE STOCK EXCHANGE

Advised **Konsolidator**, a cloud based SaaS consolidation and reporting tool that standardises and streamlines financial consolidation, on its initial public offering on NASDAQ First North Copenhagen.

NASDAQ FIRST NORTH, COPENHAGEN

Advised **Panmure Gordon**, as nominated adviser and placing agent, in the context of two separate placings of shares in Faron Pharmaceuticals Oy, a clinical stage biotech company, on the AIM Market of the London Stock Exchange. This placing was the 5th successful placing led by Panmure for Faron over the last 24 months.

AIM MARKET, LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE