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Zagreb Stock Exchange, Funderbeam SEE and Danube Angels start co-operation

(Zagreb/Vienna) The Austrian crowd-investing platform Danube Angels GmbH starts a co-operation with the Zagreb Stock Exchange and Funderbeam SEE. Funderbeam SEE is a joint venture of Funderbeam Market AS and the Zagreb Stock Exchange and as such responsible for the market activities in South-Eastern-Europe.

Since its founding in 2017, Danube Angels has offered investors the opportunity to invest in interesting growth companies from the DACH and CEE region. Within the future co-operation with the Zagreb Stock Exchange and Funderbeam SEE, the crowd platform from Vienna is now entering the Croatian market.

The Zagreb Stock Exchange and Funderbeam SEE are increasingly receiving financing requests from young Croatian companies, selecting the most promising ones and presenting them to Danube Angels as potential lead investors for a campaign on the financing platform Funderbeam. In the future, joint events, pitching sessions and webinars will also be held.

“Local knowledge and support are of imperative importance when entering a new market. We are honoured to add Croatia to our geographical reach and are looking forward to a fruitful and mutually beneficial co-operation”, says **Paul G. Putz, Managing Director at Danube Angels**.

“Zagreb Stock Exchange is devoted to provide equity financing options for companies at all stages of development. In partnership with Funderbeam we have managed to provide this to small, innovative and fast growing companies in Croatia. On this path, having right lead investors is of essence. Therefore, we are very happy to enter into partnership with Danube Angels and to enlarge the potential capital pool that will enable Croatia’s economy to grow”, says **Ivana Gažić, President of the Zagreb Stock Exchange Management Board**.

“We are excited to partner with Danube Angels. Together with them and our investor base of 25 000 early-stage investors from 130 countries, we can fuel the growth of ambitious SEE companies. I am happy to see the growing interest from founders on how they can fundraise on Funderbeam”, added **Ognjan Despot, Head of SEE region**.

About Danube Angels

Danube Angels is an Austrian crowd-investing platform that offers investors the opportunity to invest in growth companies from the DACH and CEE region. Starting at EUR 1,000, everyone has the opportunity to invest in interesting companies and support their growth through fresh equity. Companies benefit not only from the investment capital, but also from the entire know-how of the team from the areas of corporate and legal consulting, financing and business development.

About the Zagreb Stock Exchange

The Zagreb Stock Exchange is the central marketplace for Croatian companies and operates two market segments (Regulated Market and Multilateral Trading System for SMEs - Progress Market). For 30 years, the Zagreb Stock Exchange has been a leader in the development of the regional capital market, in particular by providing a transparent, safe and cost-efficient marketplace. Quality assurance of capital market services for investors, issuers and all stakeholders is a major concern for the Zagreb Stock Exchange. The Zagreb Stock Exchange is a stakeholder in the company "Funderbeam South-East Europe" based in Croatia.

About Funderbeam SEE

Funderbeam is a global cross-border funding and trading platform for private high growth companies. For investors, Funderbeam provides access to a community of ambitious growth companies - and the liquidity afforded by being able to get in and out when needed. Investors and founders can soon list existing shares. Funderbeam is headquartered in the UK, regulated in Singapore, Estonia and the UK and is in a joint venture called "Funderbeam South-East Europe" with Zagreb Stock Exchange.

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