Bocap Launches its 3rd PE Growth Fund Focusing on Minority Investments into Finnish Top Notch SMEs

Bocap is pleased to announce the launch of its 3rd private equity fund ''**Bocap SME Achievers Fund III**'' dedicated to established, outperforming small and medium-sized high growth Finnish companies having sales of 4 to 50 M€ in prominent industries. The fund's total investment capacity is anticipated to reach some 100M€ together with co-investments, while its total direct commitments would settle to around 70M€. The 1st closing that took place in Easter amounted to nearly 50M€, which was a great achievement in a small financial market seriously hit by the COVID-19 coronavirus.

Helsinki-based Bocap is an independent private equity company established in 2012. It was then the first Finnish PE fund genuinely focusing on growth investments into established SMEs and the first to launch a so-called ''controlled minority-based'' strategy. Its strategy is to invest into entrepreneur-led companies that can profitably triple or quadruple their revenue in 2 to 5 years prior to a common exit. One of Bocap's first long-lasting success stories emerged, when Bocap exited Detection Technology PIc via an IPO in 2015, after which the company's market value grew fourfold in 3 years.

By partnering with entrepreneurs and founders, Bocap champions the successful growth of SMEs and creates value by providing its portfolio companies both equity financing and strong strategic and M&A support. Through its vast network of professionals and its team's own entrepreneurial and investment experience, the key ambition is to produce significant return on investments.

The Fund's investors are leading Finnish institutional investors (such as Nordea Life, SITRA, OP Life) as well as family offices and investment companies of successful entrepreneurs. Bocap's partners together with the founding partner also invest significantly into the fund.

In 8 years, Bocap has grown into an established, well known private equity company backboned by its two key partners that have been entrepreneurs together for already more than 16 years.

For a more detailed overview on Bocap and its team as well as the portfolio companies, please visit <u>www.bocap.fi</u>.

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