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IIF Digital Capital Markets Conference: Hydrogen as a Present-Day Technology

Hydrogen is a topic of the future. Especially in the context of the energy transition, sustainably produced hydrogen is considered an important energy carrier. The International Investment Forum (IIF) on May 10, 2023, will address this topic: three companies with innovative mobility solutions will present at the digital event - investors will gain valuable insights.

In order for hydrogen to be sustainable and climate-neutral, it must be produced using renewable energy. How this "green" hydrogen must be produced within the European Union (EU) to be considered sustainable was determined last week. The EU has defined the framework conditions with its Delegated Acts. Among other things, renewable energy producers must be located near the electrolyzers that ultimately produce hydrogen. The specification from Brussels provides companies with guidance and the opportunity to prepare for the target year of 2028 when the regulation is expected to come into effect.

Despite the legislative framework that is only gradually developing, there are already companies today that have developed solutions around hydrogen. dynaCERT Inc., First Hydrogen Corp. from Canada, and Landi Renzo S.p.a. from Italy show that hydrogen is already more than a future technology. All three companies are counting on bringing their solutions to customers on a large scale soon.

With its patented HydraGEN™ technology, dynaCERT focuses on conversion kits for heavy diesel vehicles and machinery and has already received various orders in 2022. In particular, the Company has won over customers from the mining industry in recent months. "The mining industry has always been considered environmentally unfriendly," says Manuel Hölzle, CEO of the research firm GBC AG, one of the two co-organizers of the IIF. "The potential to make mining cleaner is all the greater, and dynaCERT strikes a chord with companies in the mining industry with its conversion kits for heavy diesel engines, who are themselves under pressure to improve their ESG ratings," Hölzle adds. ESG ratings quantify the impact of companies on the environment, social issues and their role in good corporate governance and have an influence, for example, on the terms of financing.

The Italian Landi Renzo Group, in turn, develops, produces and sells components and alternative drive systems for gas and hydrogen mobility and thus addresses the two customer segments of car and truck manufacturers and installers and dealers. Through the company SAFE&CEC s.r.l. (shareholding: 51.0%), the Landi-Renzo Group is also active in the field of compression solutions for gas and hydrogen infrastructure. Thanks to this profile, the Company occupies various areas of the energy transition and can help customers achieve their environmental and climate goals with its product portfolio.

First Hydrogen sees itself close to market readiness. The Company focuses on equipping light commercial vehicles with fuel cells to ultimately create individual solutions for customers, such as logistics and delivery services. In these weeks, the Company is giving

potential customers the opportunity to test prototypes of its light commercial vehicles in Great Britain under realistic conditions. The logistics industry is also under pressure to make its business as climate-neutral as possible. Delivery vans with fuel cells could achieve this goal and offer advantages over electric vehicles that need to be charged and are stationary during this time. To ensure that potential customers have access to hydrogen and charging infrastructure, First Hydrogen is also focusing on the production and distribution of hydrogen. "When companies succeed in bringing prototypes to market maturity, investors see returns. Companies like First Hydrogen are currently at a crucial stage. Digital investor events like the IIF offer investors the opportunity to get first-hand information and ask a company's management questions at these crucial stages," explains Mario Hose, Managing Director of Apaton Finance GmbH and co-organizer of the IIF. "This can provide the decisive information edge for concrete investments or important background information on the topic itself," adds Hose.

dynaCERT, Landi Renzo, First Hydrogen, and up to 17 other companies will present themselves, their product and strategy during the 7th edition of the IIF on May 10, 2023, and answer the questions of the participants. The presenting companies at the investor event come from the hydrogen, battery technology, mining, industrial, aircraft construction and even crypto and finance sectors. "Getting to know companies from different sectors from the comfort of your desk in just one day offers professional investors, journalists and private investors valuable ideas and the chance for a "deep dive". Very often, presentations at the IIF have developed into long-term investor relationships or a lively, goal-oriented exchange. Every participation is worthwhile," says Hölzle.

The 7th IIF will take place on May 10, 2023. [Participation is free](#) via Zoom and registration is possible at www.ii-forum.com.

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About IIF - International Investment Forum

The IIF - International Investment Forum - will take place on May 10, 2023. Companies and their board members or top managers will present and answer questions from investors via Zoom. The event will start at 9:55 am (CET - Central European Time) and end at 8:00 pm CET. The event is organized from Germany as a cooperation project between Apaton Finance GmbH and GBC AG.

For further information: www.ii-forum.com

About Apaton Finance GmbH (Co-Organizer)

Apaton focuses primarily on growth companies and helps to build investor relationships. Partners are located all over the world. When a company is in a transition phase and enters a new market or a growth phase, Apaton becomes active. Apaton's experts create investable visibility in new regions and markets.

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About GBC AG (Co-Organizer)

GBC AG has been organizing capital market conferences since 2001. Around two-thirds of all German issuers from the small & mid cap sector have already used GBC Conferences in the 20 years of conference history to address the capital market directly. Generally, the GBC conference series aims primarily at asset managers, fund managers, family offices, analysts, and financial journalists.

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