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IIF Online Capital Market Conference: Growth companies as economic indicators

Investors are looking ahead to 2024. The 9th International Investment Forum (IIF) will take place on December 5, 2023, bringing together 21 representatives of selected growth companies with interested investors and journalists. Which sectors expect growth in the coming year and why? The online investor conference promises answers.

Many investors are still undecided regarding the year 2024. Recent developments at the US Federal Reserve and the rapprochement between China and the USA at the summit in San Francisco a few weeks ago may offer hope, but the markets have yet to make a clear decision on the direction to take. For investors, this event is an opportunity to get to know decision-makers from promising growth companies and to put innovative business models through their paces at their leisure. The 9th edition of the IIF will bring together companies from the telecommunications, cryptocurrencies and digital services sectors, as well as representatives from mining, biotech and hydrogen.

"*Growth companies often exhibit significant valuation anomalies during uncertain market phases. If small companies achieve their growth targets in a challenging environment, this can be rewarding for investors who have previously invested time in intensive research*," says Manuel Hölzle, CEO of research house GBC AG, a co-organizer of the IIF. "*In the upcoming edition of our digital investor conference, we will be placing an even greater focus on promising second-line stocks from Germany. The European market, in particular, offers many still comparatively unknown companies with attractive business models*."

However, growth companies from overseas will also be presenting at the IIF. The focus is on alternative energy sources and mining. Mario Hose, co-organizer of the IIF and Managing Director of Apaton Finance GmbH, comments: "**Securing the supply of critical raw materials and independence from China remains a task for generations. We are delighted to be able to present several solution providers from the mining industry at the 9th IIF and also provide direct insights into the crypto sector, which is becoming increasingly attractive again these days, with several presentations. The IIF thus offers valuable impulses for both anti-cyclical investors and trend followers*."

Company representatives present at the IIF in 30-minute intervals and answer questions from participants live. Analysts from the co-organizer GBC AG will moderate the event. All information on the participating companies, a (free) registration option, and the current schedule can be found at www.iif-forum.com.

Company	Start Time	Speaker
Opening Session	03.25 am ET* 09.25 am CET* 04.25 pm HKT*	Moderation
MOBOTIX AG	03.30 am ET* 09.30 am CET* 04.30 pm HKT*	Klaus Kiener, CFO
aixtron SE	04.00 am ET* 10.00 am CET* 05.00 pm HKT*	Guido Pickert, VP Investor Relations
Manuka Resources Ltd.	04.30 am ET* 10.30 am CET* 05.30 pm HKT*	Dennis Karp, CEO
Cenit AG	05.00 am ET* 11.00 am CET* 06.00 pm HKT*	Peter Schneck, CEO
Darwin AG	05.30 am ET* 11.30 am CET* 06.30 pm HKT*	Dr. Daniel Wallersdorfer, CEO
Syzygy AG	06.00 am ET* 12.00 pm CET* 07.00 pm HKT*	Erwin Greiner, CFO
Vectron Systems AG	06.30 am ET* 12.30 pm CET* 07.30 pm HKT*	Thomas Stümmeler, CEO
SDM SE	07.00 am ET* 01.00 pm CET* 08.00 pm HKT*	Oliver Reisinger, CEO
Unidevice AG	07.30 am ET* 01.30 pm CET* 08.30 pm HKT*	Dr. Christian Pahl, CEO
3U HOLDING AG	08.00 am ET* 02.00 pm CET* 09.00 pm HKT*	Thomas Fritsche, Head of Comm. & IR
Globex Mining Enterprises Inc.	08.30 am ET* 02.30 pm CET* 09.30 pm HKT*	Jack Stoch, CEO
Cipher Neutron Inc.	09.00 am ET* 03.00 pm CET* 10.00 pm HKT*	Gurjant Randhawa, President and CEO
First Hydrogen Corp.	09.30 am ET* 03.30 pm CET* 10.30 pm HKT*	Robert Campbell, CEO First Hydrogen Energy
Almonty Industries Inc.	10.00 am ET* 04.00 pm CET* 11.00 pm HKT*	Lewis Black, CEO
dynaCERT Inc.	10.30 am ET* 04.30 pm CET* 11.30 pm HKT*	Jim Payne, CEO
Klimat X Developments Inc.	11.00 am ET* 05.00 pm CET* 12.00 am HKT*	James Tansey, CEO
Altech Advanced Materials AG	11.30 am ET* 05.30 pm CET* 12.30 am HKT*	Uwe Ahrens, CEO
Saturn Oil & Gas Inc.	12.00 pm ET* 06.00 pm CET* 01.00 am HKT*	Kevin Smith, VP Corporate Development
K+S AG	12.30 pm ET* 06.30 pm CET* 01.30 am HKT*	Nathalie Frost, Senior Investor Relations Manager
Samara Asset Group	01.00 pm ET* 07.00 pm CET* 02.00 am HKT*	Patrick Lowry, CEO
BIGG Digital Assets Inc.	01.30 pm ET* 07.30 pm CET* 02.30 am HKT*	Lance Morginn, Executive Chairman

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About IIF – International Investment Forum

The 9th IIF - International Investment Forum - will take place on December 5, 2023. Companies and their board members or top managers will present and answer questions from investors live via Zoom. The event will start at 09:25 am (CET - Central European Time) and end at 20:00 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 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 sectors have already used GBC conferences in the 20 years of conference history to address the capital market directly. The GBC conference series generally aims primarily at asset managers, fund managers, family offices, analysts and financial journalists.

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