

Press Release

Aquila Capital expands Asian institutional client advisory

 Alternative Investment Manager hires Yoon-Jian Chong and I-An Chen due to rising strategic and institutional demand in Asia for European renewables and real estate

London / Hamburg, 22 August 2019 – The Hamburg-based alternative investment specialist Aquila Capital is expanding its Asian client advisory with the hiring of Yoon-Jian Chong as Managing Director and I-An Chen as Director. The new senior staff will be working from Aquila Capital's London office and are tasked with coverage and relationship-building with pan-Asian strategic and institutional clients.

Roman Rosslenbroich, Co-Founder and CEO of Aquila Capital, comments: "We are experiencing enormous interest in renewable energy investments from major strategic and institutional investors across Asia. In order to meet this sharply rising demand, facilitate strategic collaborations and shape Europe's energy transition, we are significantly expanding our Pan-Asian client advisory. We are delighted to have secured the expertise of two such experienced specialists in Yoon-Jian Chong and I-An Chen."

Both M&A experts have worked with Aquila Capital and its institutional investors in previous transactions. Yoon Chong possesses over 20 years of M&A investment banking experience at Citi Bank, Morgan Stanley, ING Barings and KPMG and has worked extensively with Asian sovereign wealth funds, trading houses as well as utilities and power companies. I-An Chen, formerly of KPMG M&A, has similarly worked on Asian investors' renewable energy and battery storage mandates in the past.

As the lead bridge with Asian institutional investors at Aquila Capital, Yoon-Jian Chong and I-An Chen will be responsible for bringing long term capital to collaborate under Aquila Capital's management in Europe, to advise Asian clients on environmentally sustainable investment strategies in Europe and to selectively advise Aquila Capital-led consortia on major M&A transactions. Yoon will also be responsible for developing Aquila Capital's own presence in key Asian markets with aligned investment partners from Europe or from Asia itself.



About Aquila Capital:

Aquila Group is an experienced and long-term investor in essential, real asset investments. Founded in 2001 by Dr. Dieter Rentsch and Roman Rosslenbroich, the Group currently manages EUR 8.2 billion for its clients worldwide (as at 31.03.2019).

The business centres on secular and sustainable trends in renewable energy, social housing, green logistics, infrastructure, timber and agriculture. Dedicated specialist investment teams with entrepreneurial mindsets draw on their sector networks and experience to screen, develop, finance, manage and operate investments along the entire value chain.

As this concept requires local management teams and a local presence, Aquila Capital is represented with 14 investment offices in 11 countries. Comprehensive operational capabilities, more than 300 employees at group level, intensive asset management and a passion for detail ensure asset and product performance as well as the timely deployment of capital.

Aquila Group believes in stringent corporate governance. With its two AIFMs in Luxembourg and Germany, it is subject to the highest European regulatory standards.

Embedded in its activities lies a passion for real assets and living ESG, better every day.

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