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IEG – Investment Banking advises Younicos and Cellstrom on capital increase by a+f GmbH

Berlin – IEG – Investment Banking has successfully advised the specialist in storage and grid solutions for renewable energies Younicos AG and its Austrian subsidiary Cellstrom GmbH in completing a capital increase and gaining a+f GmbH as a new shareholder. This has strengthened Younicos' and Cellstrom's equity capital position by a sum in the double-digit millions, allowing them to further expand their storage business.

Through this transaction, renewable energy specialist a+f GmbH, a subsidiary of listed Gildemeister AG, is acquiring 50.001 percent of Cellstrom, plus a 5 percent stake in Younicos. The three companies' long-term alliance is intended to boost development and commercialisation of Cellstrom's storage technologies. At the same time, the partnership will further Younicos' continued expansion as a provider of innovative grid and storage solutions for a secure and stable energy supply from regenerative sources.

IEG accompanied Younicos and Cellstrom throughout the entire transaction process, from preparation and structuring right through to closing. René Griemens, Managing Director of IEG and Head of its Renewable Energy, Cleantech & Project Financing division: *"This transaction represents a milestone in this year's financing of renewable energies. The valuation reveals the great potential that resides in the innovative application of storage and grid systems which are already available. For Younicos, this external financing is another important step in the continual expansion of its business, providing grid and storage solutions for a clean and sustainable energy supply."*



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Yunicos is working for a world with wholly renewable and CO2-free energy. Our core competences are storage and grid solutions for a secure energy supply from renewable sources. We offer solutions for sustainable electro mobility, individual and communal energy autonomy as well as for combined grid-storage-systems for the large-scale distribution of renewable energy. Our range of products encompasses mobile storage units, ready-to-use solar charging stations, intelligent power sockets, grid-parallel battery solutions and the development of autonomous energy system for whole islands.

About IEG – Investment Banking:

IEG – Investment Banking is an independent and international investment banking house with a focus on small and medium-sized transactions.

IEG's services include advisory on mergers & acquisitions, financing and financial strategy as well as the placement of equity, debt and hybrid capital.

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