PRESS RELEASE

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EFIC1 LAUNCHES AS THE FIRST EUROPEAN SPAC TAILORED FOR EUROPEAN FINTECHS

Martin Blessing, Ben Davey, Nick Aperghis and Klaas Meertens launch

European FinTech IPO Company 1

A European-listed Special Purpose Acquisition Company (SPAC)

to acquire a Financial Services or Financial Technology Company

operating or headquartered in Europe, including the United Kingdom, or Israel

Announcement of intended Private Placement of Units (each consisting of one Ordinary Share and 1/3 of a Warrant) on Euronext Amsterdam to raise up to approximately €415 million in March 2021

Amsterdam / Frankfurt / London - 15 March 2021

Martin Blessing, Ben Davey, Nick Aperghis and Klaas Meertens announce today their intention to undertake a private placement of Units, of a newly formed SPAC, EFIC1.

EFIC1 has been created for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganisation or similar business combination with or acquisition of an operating business or entity (a Business Combination).

EFIC1 intends to focus on opportunities in the broadly defined financial services (Financial Services) and financial technology (FinTech) sectors and aims to complete a Business Combination with a suitable partner that operates in, or is headquartered in Europe, including the United Kingdom, or Israel.

EFIC1 is led by a highly experienced, pan-European team with complementary expertise tailored for supporting compelling Financial Services and FinTech targets.

EFIC1 intends to have the Units admitted to trading on the Euronext Amsterdam stock exchange in March 2021, subject to market conditions.



HIGHLIGHTS OF EFIC1

EFIC1's leadership team (Leadership Team) comprises, as of settlement of the Offering:

- Executive directors: Martin Blessing (CEO), Ben Davey (CIO) and Nick Aperghis (CFO);
- Non-executive directors: Hélène Vletter-van Dort (Chair/INED), Klaas Meertens (NED, Managing Partner of H.T.P. Investments), Jan Bennink (INED) and Chris Figee (INED) and;
- Operating partner: Clara Streit.

The Offering will consist of a private placement of up to 36,510,000 Units (or up to 41,520,000 Units if the overallotment option is fully exercised), each consisting of one Ordinary Share and one-third (1/3) of a Warrant, at a price per Unit of \in 10.00, raising proceeds of up to \in 365,100,000 or up to \in 415,200,000 if the overallotment option is fully exercised.

One hundred percent (100%) of the proceeds from the Offering will be held in escrow and will be used for the purpose of effecting a merger, capital stock exchange, asset acquisition, stock purchase, reorganisation or similar business combination with or acquisition of an operating business or entity within 24 months from the completion of the Offering or for repurchasing Ordinary Shares at investors' election in certain circumstances.

EFIC1 Group Coöperatie U.A. (majority-owned by Martin Blessing and Nick Aperghis), Ben Davey, and Klaas Meertens and Wim de Pundert through their investment company H.T.P. Investments B.V. (HTP), (together the Sponsors) have agreed to invest up to €8.5 million (assuming full exercise of the overallotment option) through subscribing for founder warrants (Founder Warrants) and special shares (convertible into ordinary shares) (Special Shares) or options over Special Shares and thereby covering the working capital needs as well as the expenses related to the Offering.

In addition, HTP intends to purchase 4,000,000 Units at a price per Unit of \in 10.00, as a cornerstone investment in the Offering. This \in 40 million expected cornerstone investment enhances and aligns incentives across all shareholders.

HTP is a Dutch investment company, owned by Klaas Meertens and Wim de Pundert, specialising in longterm investing and supporting businesses with a compelling value and growth proposition. HTP's cornerstone investment in EFIC1 is on the same terms and conditions as other investors in the Offering, except for a lock-up undertaking of 180 days with respect to the Ordinary Shares acquired and 30 days with respect to the Warrants acquired post completion of Business Combination, and a guaranteed allocation. Klaas Meertens will be a non-executive member of the EFIC1 Board.

EFIC1 will be supported by the affiliated organisations Aperghis & Co and HTP.

Martin Blessing on launching EFIC1: "With EFIC1, we will establish the first FinTech-focused SPAC listed in Europe. We can pave the way for promising FinTech companies in Europe to go public in their home region and strengthen Europe as the financial home of a forward-looking financial industry. We have built an excellent and mutually complementary team. Our experience, expertise and network will allow us not only to connect with the right business partner, but also to support this partner in its further growth and allow it to develop as a listed company."



TEAM – HIGHLY EXPERIENCED, PAN-EUROPEAN TEAM WITH COMPLEMENTARY EXPERTISE TAILORED TO SUPPORT THE FINTECH BUSINESS COMBINATION OPPORTUNITY

The EFIC1 leadership team has a combined wealth of experience across the broadly defined Financial Services and FinTech sectors, in strategic leadership, oversight over and execution of operational enhancements and navigating the regulatory environment. The team also benefits from expertise across a broad set of geographies.

Martin Blessing as **Chief Executive Officer**, with more than 30 years of experience, extensive executive track-record, notably as Group Executive Board Member of UBS, CEO of Commerzbank, member of the Supervisory Board of mBank, Chair of the Supervisory Board of comdirect, and founder and Chairman of CommerzVentures.

Ben Davey as **Chief Investment Officer**, to identify and source potential Business Combination opportunities, having previously served as CEO of Barclays Ventures, Group Head of Strategy at Barclays and as Head of the Financial Institutions Group for EMEA in Barclays' investment bank.

Nick Aperghis as **Chief Financial Officer**, leveraging specialized execution capabilities honed from a 25year career in investment banking at J.P. Morgan and Deutsche Bank and as the founder and managing partner of M&A and IPO advisory firm Aperghis & Co.

Klaas Meertens as Non-Executive Director (and Managing Partner of HTP as an expected cornerstone investor), bringing his experience and the expertise of his investment partner Wim de Pundert, together with a strong investment track-record in sourcing and executing attractive opportunities and generating additional value post acquisition.

Clara Streit as **Operating Partner**, with broad advisory experience and networks across geographies and sub-sectors, serving on the Boards of NN Group, Deutsche Börse Group, Vonovia, Vontobel and Jerónimo Martins, but also bringing connectivity with the European founder and early-stage investor community.

Hélène Vletter-van Dort as Chair and Independent Non-Executive Director, as an expert in governance and regulatory environments, having chaired the Dutch Central Bank Committee on Supervisory Policy and serving on the Boards of Intertrust, as Chair, and NN Group as Chair of Nomination and Governance Committee in her first term and Chair of Remuneration Committee in her second term.

Jan Bennink as Independent Non-Executive Director, with a track-record of operational enhancement and shareholder value creation (including at companies such as D.E. Master Blenders, Sara Lee, Danone, Numico).

Chris Figee as **Independent Non-Executive Director**, as an experienced public-market CFO (KPN and a.s.r. Nederland) with a strong capital markets track-record and extensive experience operating in regulated environments.

EFIC1 will use its pan-European network and its deep experience within the Financial Services and FinTech sectors to identify and source attractive opportunities for a Business Combination.



OPPORTUNITY – ACCELERATING ATTRACTIVE FINANCIAL SERVICES AND FINTECH OPPORTUNITIES

The European Financial Services industry represents a significant scale target market, with estimated industry revenues of approximately \$2.2 trillion in 2019, according to SNL Financial and S&P Global Market Intelligence.

The European FinTech sector represents a large and fast-growing target market within the wider European Financial Services industry, attracting approximately \$6.7 billion of private capital in 2019 and over \$8.0 billion in 2020, according to CB Insights.

While EFIC1 may pursue an acquisition opportunity in any industry or sector, in its search for a target Business Combination, EFIC1 intends to focus on companies in the broadly defined Financial Services and FinTech sectors in Europe, including the United Kingdom, and Israel.

EFIC1's focus includes sectors, amongst others, such as payments, banking, lending, insurance, wealth and savings, financial management solutions, specialty finance, regulatory technology (for example knowyour-client and fraud detection), markets and trading technology and infrastructure and service enablers such as information technology, software, data processing and analytics and customer-engagement technology and cross-industry use cases such as healthcare, retail, e-Commerce and real estate and property technology.

EFIC1 currently intends to partner or merge with, or acquire a business with an equity value above €1 billion. EFIC1 may raise additional proceeds through a private placement in connection with the Business Combination.

Ben Davey said: "As European FinTech companies continue to scale, we believe access to the public capital markets is likely to become increasingly important to help continue or accelerate their growth and provide liquidity to founders and their existing investors, while at the same time, representing exciting investment opportunities for new investors."

PROPOSED TRANSACTION HIGHLIGHTS – STRUCTURE OF EFIC1

Unit and Warrant Structure

- Each Unit will consist of 1 Ordinary Share and one-third (1/3) of a Warrant, subject to the terms and conditions that will be set out in the Prospectus.
- 1 whole Warrant will entitle the holder thereof to purchase 1 Ordinary Share at a strike price of €11.50 per Ordinary Share.
- Warrants will become exercisable 30 days after the completion of the Business Combination. The Warrants are subject to certain anti-dilution provisions and have a 5 year exercise period from the completion of the Business Combination. Warrants will be subject to redemption by the Company at a price of €0.01 per Warrant if the Ordinary Shares trade above €18.00 for any period of 20 trading days within a 30 consecutive trading day period, at 30-days' notice. In addition, the Company may elect to call the Warrants for redemption at a price of €0.10 per Warrant, upon a minimum of 30 days' prior written notice of redemption if the Ordinary Shares trade above €10.00 for any period of 20 trading days within a 30 consecutive trading day period, provided that holders will be able to exercise their Warrants on a cashless basis prior to redemption.



The Ordinary Shares and the Warrants will trade only as Units under the symbol EFIC1 for the first 35 days (or earlier following any exercise of the over-allotment option, with at least two trading days' notice). After such period, Ordinary Shares and the whole Warrants will automatically trade separately under the respective symbols EFIC1 and EFICW.

Business Combination

- EFIC1 has 24 months to complete a Business Combination. Otherwise, EFIC1 will be liquidated and the remaining assets will be distributed to the shareholders.
- EFIC1 will seek approval of the Business Combination from a majority of the votes cast at a shareholders' meeting convened for such purpose (the BC-EGM).
- Ordinary shareholders may require the Company to repurchase the Ordinary Shares held by them if: (i) the BC-EGM has approved the proposed Business Combination; and (ii) the proposed Business Combination has been completed. EFIC1 will repurchase the Ordinary Shares held by shareholders that so wish, regardless of whether and how these shareholders voted at such shareholders' meeting (for an amount which is equal to a pro rata share of funds in the escrow account (without first deducting the business combination underwriting fee) as determined two business days prior to the BC-EGM, which is anticipated to be €10.00 per Ordinary Share minus the negative interest paid) in accordance with the terms set out in the Prospectus.
- A holder of Ordinary Shares (together with any affiliate) will be restricted from seeking repurchase with respect to more than 15% of the Ordinary Shares in the Offering.

Sponsors

- Sponsors: EFIC1 Group Coöperatie U.A. (majority-owned by Martin Blessing and Nick Aperghis), Ben Davey, and Klaas Meertens and Wim de Pundert through their investment company HTP.
- Sponsors' Special Shares: Upon completion of the Offering, the Sponsors will own or be entitled to between approximately 9.1 million and 10.4 million Special Shares, with a nominal value of €0.01 each, representing 20% of the outstanding share capital of EFIC1 (this will be in addition to the expected HTP cornerstone subscription). The Special Shares hold voting rights at the BC-EGM but will not be listed. The Sponsors have agreed to a lock-up on their Special Shares until the earlier of (i) one year after the completion of Business Combination or (ii) after completion of the Business Combination, if the closing share price of the Ordinary Shares equals or exceeds €12.00 per share (as adjusted for stock splits, stock dividends, reorganisations, recapitalisations and the like) for any 20 trading days within any 30-trading day period commencing at least 150 days after the Business Combination.
- Sponsors' Capital At-Risk: Dependent on the final size of the Offering, the Sponsors will pay between approximately €7.7 million and approximately €8.5 million to finance working capital until Business Combination (approximately €1.3m of cash held outside the escrow account) as well as the Offering expenses, by way of subscribing for an aggregate of between approximately 5.1 million and approximately 5.6 million Founder Warrants, respectively, at a price of €1.50 per Founder Warrant and Special Shares or options over Special Shares.

Credit Suisse is acting as the Sole Global Coordinator, Joint Bookrunner and Underwriter. ABN AMRO, acting in cooperation with ODDO BHF, is acting as the Joint Bookrunner and Listing and Paying Agent. Aperghis & Co is acting as financial advisor to EFIC1 and the Sponsors in connection with this Offering.



SELECTED RISK FACTORS

Investing in EFIC1 involves certain risks. A description of these risks, which include risks relating to EFIC1 as well as risks relating to the Offering, the Ordinary Shares and the Warrants will be included in the Prospectus. Any decision to participate in the Offering should be made solely on the basis of the information contained in the Prospectus. All capitalised terms used in this paragraph but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning assigned in the Prospectus. The following is a summary of selected key risks that, alone or in combination with other events or circumstances, could have a material adverse effect on EFIC1's business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects:

- EFIC1 is a newly formed entity with no operating history and EFIC1 has not generated and currently does not generate any revenues, and as such prospective investors have no basis on which to evaluate EFIC1's performance and ability to achieve its business objective;
- the shareholders are heavily reliant on the ability of EFIC1 to obtain adequate information to evaluate the target business and any due diligence by EFIC1 in connection with a Business Combination may not reveal all relevant considerations or liabilities of a target business;
- there is no assurance that EFIC1 will identify or complete a suitable Business Combination opportunity by the Business Combination deadline, which could result in a loss of part or all of the Ordinary Shareholders' investment;
- (iv) the negative interest rate that EFIC1 will have to pay on the proceeds of the Offering that are held in the escrow account prior to the Business Combination decreases the amounts available for investment in a target business;
- (v) because EFIC1 is not limited to evaluating a target business in a particular industry, sector or geographic region and it has not yet identified a specific potential target business with which EFIC1 wishes to complete a Business Combination, prospective investors have no basis on which to evaluate the possible merits or risks of a target business' operations;
- (vi) EFIC1 may seek acquisition opportunities outside of its target industries or sectors including industries or sectors which may be outside of the Board's areas of expertise;
- (vii) EFIC1 intends to complete the Business Combination with a single target business or company with the proceeds of the Offering, meaning EFIC1's operations may depend on a single business or company that is likely to operate in a non-diverse industry or segment of an industry. This lack of diversification may materially negatively impact EFIC1's operations and profitability;
- (viii) if EFIC1 seeks shareholder approval of the Business Combination, the Sponsors are expected to vote in favour of such Business Combination, regardless of how the other holders of Ordinary Shares vote;
- (ix) EFIC1's ability to successfully complete the Business Combination and to be successful thereafter is dependent upon a small group of individuals and other key personnel. The loss of key personnel could negatively impact the target business' success;
- (x) the Leadership Team may allocate their time to other businesses leading to potential conflicts of interest in their determination as to how much time to devote to EFIC1's affairs, which could have a negative impact on EFIC1's ability to complete a Business Combination and its operations following the Business Combination; and
- (xi) if EFIC1 fails to complete a Business Combination before the Business Combination Deadline and distributes the amounts held in the escrow account as liquidation proceeds or consideration in the share repurchase arrangement, holders of Ordinary Shares could receive less than €10.00 per Ordinary Share or nothing at all.



The risk factors set out in this announcement represent only a partial summary of the risk factors that will be set out in the Prospectus and are not intended to be a full or comprehensive list of risks and uncertainties relating to EFIC1 or any of its Securities.

PROSPECTUS

If and when the Offering is launched, further details will be included in the Prospectus. Once the Prospectus has been approved by the AFM, the Prospectus will be published and made available at no cost at the start of the offer period through the website of EFIC1 (<u>www.efic1.com</u>), subject to securities law restrictions in certain jurisdictions.

ENQUIRIES

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The Company is registered in the trade register of the Netherlands Chamber of Commerce (*handelsregister van de Kamer van Koophandel*) under number 81697244.

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qualify as a professional client as defined in point (10) of Article 4(1) of MiFID II or (iii) not a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Regulation. Consequently no key information document required by Regulation (EU) No 1286/2014 (as amended, the PRIIPs Regulation) for offering or selling the Units, Ordinary Shares and the Warrants or otherwise making them available to retail investors in the EEA has been prepared and therefore offering or selling the Units, Ordinary Shares and the Warrants or otherwise making the Units, Ordinary Shares and the Warrants or otherwise making the Units, Ordinary Shares and the Warrants or otherwise making them available to any retail investor in the EEA may be unlawful under the PRIIPs Regulation.

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This document contains information that qualifies as inside information within the meaning of Article 7(1) of Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 on market abuse.

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Information to distributors

Solely for the purposes of the product governance requirements contained within: (a) MiFID II; (b) Articles 9 and 10 of Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2017/593 supplementing MiFID II; and (c) local implementing measures (together, the MiFID II Product Governance Requirements), and disclaiming all and any liability, whether arising in delict, tort, contract or otherwise, which any "manufacturer" (for the purposes of the MiFID II Product Governance Requirements) may otherwise have with respect thereto, the Units have been subject to a product approval process, which has determined that the Units, the Ordinary Shares and the Warrants are: (i) compatible with an end target market of investors who meet the criteria of professional clients and eligible counterparties, each as defined in MiFID II; and (ii) eligible for distribution through all distribution channels as are permitted by MiFID II (the Target Market Assessment). Notwithstanding the Target Market Assessment, "distributors" (for the purposes of the MiFID II the Product Governance Requirements) should note that: the price of the Ordinary Shares and the Warrants may decline and investors could lose all or part of their investment; the Ordinary Shares and the Warrants offer no



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For the avoidance of doubt, the Target Market Assessment does not constitute: (a) an assessment of suitability or appropriateness for the purposes of MiFID II; or (b) a recommendation to any investor or group of investors to invest in, or purchase, or take any other action whatsoever with respect to the Units.

Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the Units, the Ordinary Shares and the Warrants and determining appropriate distribution channels.

