

EUROPEAN FINTECH IPO COMPANY 1 THE FIRST EUROPEAN SPAC TAILORED FOR EUROPEAN FINTECHS SUCCESSFULLY RAISES €415.2 MILLION VIA A PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF UNITS

First day of trading on Euronext Amsterdam will be 26 March 2021

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European FinTech IPO Company 1 B.V. (EFIC1), a special purpose acquisition company (SPAC), will shortly celebrate its debut on the Europext Amsterdam Stock Exchange. EFIC1, one of the largest SPACs to list in Europe in recent years, will start trading on Friday 26 March 2021.

EFIC1 intends to focus on opportunities in the broadly defined financial services and financial technology 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 has been launched by Martin Blessing, Ben Davey, Nick Aperghis and Klaas Meertens. HTP Investments, a Dutch investment company owned by Klaas Meertens and Wim de Pundert, has invested over €45 million in EFIC1.

Martin Blessing, Chief Executive Officer of EFIC1, said: "With EFIC1, we have established the first FinTechfocused 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."

Ben Davey, Chief Investment Officer of EFIC1, 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 shareholders, while at the same time, representing exciting investment opportunities for new investors."

EFIC1 is a Dutch-incorporated SPAC that has set a new structural benchmark for SPACs in Europe. Its appealing features have allowed EFIC1 to attract a high-quality investor base and are expected to be advantageous for a target company that wishes to become publicly-traded via EFIC1.



Details of the Offering

EFIC1 has completed the private placement of Units (each consisting of one Ordinary Share and 1/3 of a Warrant) as <u>announced</u> on 15 March 2021 and <u>launched</u> on 22 March 2021 (the Offering). The Offering consists of issuance of 41,520,000 units (Units) (assuming the over-allotment option is exercised in full, or 36,510,000 Units excluding the over-allotment option) at a price of \in 10.00 per Unit raising proceeds of \in 415.2 million (assuming the over-allotment option is exercised in full, or \in 365.1 million excluding the over-allotment option grants Credit Suisse, as stabilisation agent, a 30-day option to purchase up to 5,010,000 additional Units (which is equivalent to up to approximately 13.72% of the Offering size excluding the over-allotment option).

EFIC1 will be admitted for trading on Euronext Amsterdam. Trading of the Units is expected to commence on 26 March 2021 on an "as-if-and-when-issued/delivered" basis. Settlement is expected to occur on 30 March 2021 (Settlement Date).

The Ordinary Shares and the Warrants that make up the Units will only trade as Units until 30 April 2021 (which is the date 35 days from the first trading date), or on such earlier date as communicated by the Company to the market with at least two trading days' notice following any exercise of the over-allotment option as may be decided upon by Credit Suisse, in its capacity as stabilisation agent. The Units initially trade under the symbol EFIC1, after which the Ordinary Shares and the whole Warrants will automatically trade separately under the respective symbols EFIC1 and EFICW, after exercise of the over-allotment option.

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 is included in the Prospectus. This announcement also serves as the pricing statement related to the Offering as required by article 17(2) of Regulation (EU) 2017/112 (the Prospectus Regulation).

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

ABOUT EFIC1

EFIC1 has been launched by Martin Blessing, Ben Davey, Nick Aperghis and Klaas Meertens as a SPAC. 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. EFIC1 focuses on opportunities in the broadly defined financial services and financial technology sectors and aims to complete a Business Combination with a suitable partner that operates or is headquartered in Europe, including the United Kingdom, or Israel.

EFIC1's leadership team comprises Executive directors: Martin Blessing (Chief Executive Officer), Ben Davey (Chief Investment Officer) and Nick Aperghis (Chief Financial Officer); Non-executive directors: Hélène Vletter-van Dort (Chair/INED), Klaas Meertens (NED, Managing Partner of HTP Investments), Jan Bennink (INED) and Chris Figee (INED); and Operating partner: Clara Streit.

For more information visit <u>www.efic1.com</u>.



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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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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.

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