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Portfolio Company Update: Guident Files Additional Patent

Tekcapital Plc (AIM: TEK), the UK intellectual property (IP) investment group focused on creating marketplace value from investing in university technology, is pleased to announce that its portfolio company Guident Ltd has filed a new U.S. patent application (No. 16/386,530).

Harald Braun, Chairman at Guident said,

"We are pleased to announce that Guident has filed a patent application entitled: Methods and Systems for Emergency Handoff of an Autonomous Vehicle. This patent application deals with the operation and control of an autonomous vehicle in the event of an accident. In a recent survey by PWC¹, 43% of respondents indicated that a key perceived disadvantage of AV's relates to safety concerns. We believe our new patent will help address some of these issues by defining forward-thinking, post-accident protocols."

Dr Clifford Gross, Chairman at Tekcapital commented,

"We are delighted to see that Guident is expanding its intellectual property to cover additional software features to improve safety while using autonomous vehicles."

The Market

According to the World Health Organization, there are approximately 1.25 million fatalities from traffic accidents each year.² The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has reported that 94% of serious crashes are caused by human error.³ Autonomous vehicles will have the potential to significantly reduce injuries and deaths from traffic accidents resulting from human error. The autonomous vehicle market is expected to reach US \$65.3 billion by 2027.⁴

About Guident, Ltd.

Guident was established to commercialise new technology to enhance the utility, safety and enjoyment of autonomous vehicles and drones. Using its proprietary IP, Guident develops software Apps that allow users of AV's to dispatch their vehicles to join ridesharing fleets, find available parking spots and charging stations and report and respond to accidents as well as park themselves. To learn more please visit www.guident.co.

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About Tekcapital plc

Tekcapital creates value from investing in new, university-developed intellectual properties and provides a range of IP investment services to make it easy for organisations to commercialise university-developed technology. Tekcapital is

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