

Media Release

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FINMA grants Swiss Finance & Property Ltd a securities firm licence

- **Securities firm licence in effect from February 2021**
- **Expansion of the range of services offered by Swiss Finance & Property Group**
- **Changes to the organisational structure**

Swiss Finance & Property Group has reached another milestone: in February 2021, FINMA granted Swiss Finance & Property Ltd a securities firm licence. The services offered by Swiss Finance & Property Ltd now include issuing securities and market making.

Expansion of the range of services

As of February 2021, Swiss Finance & Property Ltd is a securities firm. The granting of the licence expands the range of services that the company offers. Swiss Finance & Property Ltd can now assist Swiss real estate funds, companies and stock corporations that are involved in the real estate sector with issuances and capital increases as a bank-independent lead or co-lead manager. "This securities firm licence is also another step towards professionalisation and makes us even more competitive overall", said Adrian Murer, CEO of Swiss Finance & Property Group.

Despite the pandemic, Swiss Finance & Property Group has been successful with its growth and investment strategy. In order to meet the high standards for professional asset managers, Swiss Finance & Property Ltd would like to create more attractive framework conditions for secondary trading in the future. "With market making, Swiss Finance & Property Ltd can supply the necessary liquidity, even in volatile markets", said Florian Lemberger, Head of Corporate Finance & Banking at Swiss Finance & Property Ltd. An in-house trading and brokerage team provides the over-the-counter block capacity for this purpose.

Changes to the organisational structure

The granting of the securities firm licence also results in changes to the organisational structure. Thanks to the FINMA licences held by its two wholly-owned subsidiaries, Swiss Finance & Property Group can provide its direct and indirect real estate investment management services in a focused manner and with the best know-how. The management and administration of direct and indirect real estate investments will be clearly separated in the future. Asset management, in addition to real estate consulting and financial services, will now be offered by Swiss Finance & Property Ltd. Adrian Murer and Nicolas Di Maggio will take over the management of Swiss Finance & Property Ltd as co-CEOs as of 1st March 2021. Subject to the authorisation of FINMA, Nicolas Di Maggio will also join the executive management of Swiss Finance & Property Group Ltd alongside Adrian Murer (CEO) and Patrick Dobler (CFO/CRO).

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