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*Munich, January 2019 (fcf)* - **FCF Fox Corporate Finance advises Synapticon GmbH on its equity increase**

**FCF Fox Corporate Finance acted as advisor to the management of Synapticon GmbH, a developer and manufacturer of specialized high-performance components for robotic solutions.**

Almost two years after the last capital increase, a sharpening of the corporate strategy, numerous new technological developments and a steady increase in personnel, Synapticon GmbH announced this month the successful conclusion of its current financing round. With its hardware and software, the young German high-tech forge enables numerous international blue-chip companies from the fields of robotics and automation to develop and produce more innovative and powerful products.

In order to accelerate growth Synapticon decided to increase its capital and mandate FCF for the structuring, placement and execution of this transaction. "Having placed a Series A financing without advisor previously, we were clearly able to see the advantages of having a professional advisor – and FCF in particular – on our side during this round. Besides providing unique access to a wide range of investors, liberating the founding team / management from time consuming tasks such as investor deck creation & initial investor approach, orchestrating a competitive term-sheet negotiation process and professional process management, FCF acted as a trusted sparring partner in all transaction phases and enabled a smooth and speedy process." comments CEO and co-founder Nikolai Ensslen.

The circle of investors now includes the family office of a well-known German entrepreneurial family, which has decades of experience in the industry and relies on the promising hardware and software from Synapticon. The capital increase by a high single-digit million amount is accompanied by another family office: 7-Industries, an international investor with a pronounced long-term focus, has been supporting Synapticon since February 2017.

"Synapticon's management has taken a very promising course with the latest strategic decisions and new technological developments. The company is an outstanding example of high technology from Germany," explains Dr.-Ing. Rigbert Fischer, who accompanies the family office as a new investor. "We look forward to supporting the company on its growth and innovation course in the future. As a young high-tech company, Synapticon fits perfectly into our investment portfolio".

Synapticon will invest the additional capital primarily in new employees and research & development. With locations in Germany, Eastern Europe, the USA and China, the company now has an international presence and plans to further expand its subsidiary in Asia.



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