BAKER MCKENZIE ADVISES AVRIOS ON ITS SALE TO BATTERY VENTURES

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Baker McKenzie advised startup **Avrio**s International and its shareholders on the sale of all equity interests in Avrios to US investor **Battery Ventures**. In addition to Avrios, Battery Ventures is acquiring **Vimcar**, a Berlin-based startup that also specializes in fleet management, and will be merging the two companies with the goal of creating a large, pan-European player with an integrated, holistic fleet software and services offering.

Zurich-based SaaS (software-as-a-service) Avrios and Vimcar provide complementary software solutions for forward-thinking, European businesses managing fleets of vehicles – as well as certain professionals – to monitor their fleet operations, track vehicles, manage costs, reduce emissions and comply with local regulations. Avrios counts more than 1,000 customers – with around 120,000 vehicles and 140,000 drivers – including DB Schenker, Bayerisches Rotes Kreuz, Kyocera, Flaschenpost, and Tee Geschwendner. The company was founded in 2015 by **Andreas Brenner, Roger Jäggi** and **Robin Guldener** and is backed by a diverse set of investors such as **Lakestar**, **Notion Capital, Swisscom** and **Edenred**.

<u>Baker McKenzie Switzerland</u> advised Avrios and its shareholders on all legal aspects of the sale. The team was led by partners **Alexander Fischer** (partner m&a, Zurich, pictured left), **Markus Wolf** (partner banking & finance, Zurich, pictured center) and **Alexander Blaeser** (partner m&a, Zurich, pictured right). Other members involved are **Olha Demianiuk** (partner, Geneva), **Jon Marcus Meese**

(partner, Munich), Matthias Trautmann (counsel), Debora Foglia (associate), Zarina Fueglister (associate), Andrea Puricelli (associate), Raphael Schneuwly (associate) all Zurich and m&a. Sammy Guidoum (associate), Victoria Hotz (trainee lawyer; both banking & finance), Christoph Stutz (partner, employment, Zurich), Nadine Charrière (associate, Zurich, IP) as well as Susanne Liebel-Kotz (senior associate, tax, Zurich) were also involved.