WALDER WYSS AND NKF ADVISORS IN THE DEAL BETWEEN SAGARD AND UNIT8

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The financial investor **Sagard NewGen** has announced the acquisition of a minority stake in the Swiss **Unit8**. Founded in 2017 the Morges-based company is a leading data services provider with a mission to help its clients turn data into value with a mix of data science, analytics, and Al. With this investment, Sagard NewGen will help to fulfill a vision shared with Unit8 management to build a leading European data, analytics and Al consulting firm.

Unit8 operates at the intersection of technology and business to accompany its customers at every step of their data & Al journey by offering end to end portfolio of services. In 2022, Unit8 was recognised as the "Fastest Growing Firm" in Switzerland by the Financial Times.

The advisors

<u>Walder Wyss</u> has advised Sagard NewGen on the transaction. The team was led by partner **Stefan Knobloch** (corporate/m&a, pictured left) and included **Dario Galli** (senior associate, corporate/m&a), **Maurus Winzap** (partner, tax), and **Janine Corti** (counsel, tax), as well as corporate/m&a lawyers **Christian Hagen** (managing associate), **Fabienne Anner** (managing associate), **Pascal Zysset** (senior associate) and **Marina Beeler** (trainee lawyer). Other lawyers involved are partner **Lukas Wyss** (banking & finance) and partner **David Vasella**, **Sylvia Anthamatten** (managing associate), **Anne-Sophie Morand** (associate; all regulated markets,

competition, technology & IP), **Gustaf Heintz** (associate, employment), **Natascha Rizzi** (associate, tax) as well as **Michael Kündig** (senior associate) and **Helene Tasman** (trainee lawyer) both corporate/m&a).

Niederer Kraft Frey advised the shareholders of Unit8 on all legal aspects of the transaction. The team was led by corporate/m&a partners Philip Spoerlé (pictured right) and Andrea Giger, working with senior associates Katalin Siklosi and Julia Tolstova (both corporate/m&a), partners Adrian Koller (finance) and Catherine Grun (commercial), counsel Janine Reudt-Demont (IP/IT), as well as senior associates Annina Fey (real estate) and Livia Keller (employment).