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MitonOptimal Group Expands in the Isle of Man

MitonOptimal International Limited ("MitonOptimal"), the Guernsey-headquartered investment management group, and Blythe Financial Limited ("Blythe Financial"), an Isle of Man-based investment advisory business, are delighted to announce the merger of their businesses.

The transaction and the granting of a Discretionary Fund Management (DFM) Licence (both of which have been approved by the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority), brings together two strong and experienced teams of investment professionals under the MitonOptimal banner. It will enable MitonOptimal to further focus on the many opportunities within the Isle of Man discretionary management market, whilst continuing to deliver exceptional service, advice and investment knowledge to Blythe Financial's existing clients and MitonOptimal's global client base.

Alan Blythe commented, "When we first thought about partnering with another business, it was important to us that both the ethos and investment philosophy of that partner were aligned with our own. MitonOptimal is the perfect fit for the succession of our business to the next level and will further enhance the sophistication of our investment proposition. Blythe Financial will be rebranded as MitonOptimal, and all management and staff will be staying on, as we continue building on what has been a highly successful business model to date."

Scott Campbell, Group Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer at MitonOptimal added, "We are very excited that Alan and Sue Blythe, plus their great team of people, will be joining the MitonOptimal group of companies, as we share the same investment philosophy and business culture. Alan will be joining the MitonOptimal International Limited board of directors, and we look forward to a long a fruitful business partnership together, as we continue to develop our DFM business, advisory services and funds business on a global basis."

Founded in 2002, MitonOptimal is a specialist global multi-asset management company, with a presence in Guernsey, South Africa, United Kingdom, Isle of Man and Singapore. The Group offers a range of DFM, bespoke portfolio management, advisory services and multi-asset funds to a broad spectrum of intermediaries and institutional investors around the world.

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Background information:

Blythe Financial Limited

Blythe Financial Limited is a Chartered Financial Planning business, founded in 2002, and provides comprehensive financial advice, financial planning and financial structuring solutions to its clients via its Isle of Man office. Blythe Financial Limited are regulated by the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority.

It is a family-owned business with a commitment to high levels of service allied to a strong technical ability and a wide network of contacts. Its client base includes high net worth individuals, Pension schemes, Trusts and Charities.

MitonOptimal International Limited

Scott Campbell, the Group's Managing Director and Chief Investment Officer, initially established MitonOptimal in 2002.

The MitonOptimal Group of companies are independent multi-asset investment managers, owned by its management and directors. We employ over 60 staff across offices in Guernsey, South Africa, United Kingdom, Isle of Man and Singapore. With combined assets under management of approximately US\$750m, our highly experienced investment management team has been investing MitonOptimal client money since 2002. Today, focussing on our primary service offering of Advisory Services and Fund Management, we provide a wide range of collective investment schemes, bespoke/discretionary fund management (DFM) investment management services and asset consulting services that cater for a broad spectrum of private clients, independent financial advisers, family offices and institutional clients around the globe.

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