



MultiTrust Capital Partners / MBL China Consulting advises Chinese Investor on the Acquisition of Valiant TMS Group

Augsburg, Shanghai, March 17, 2017. Solcz Group Inc. has successfully completed the sale of Valiant TMS Group to Hubei Huachangda Intelligent Equipment Co., Ltd (HCD Group). MBL initiated the transaction, acted as exclusive M&A advisor to the purchaser during the whole process and coordinated communication between buyer, purchaser and their respective advisors. The value of the transaction has not been disclosed.

Valiant TMS is a global provider of automated production systems and specialized tooling serving the automotive, aerospace and heavy industry sectors. It provides a wide range of solutions for body-in-white welding and assembly systems, powertrain assembly systems, industrial parts washers and leak test machines, plastic injection and composite tooling, final vehicle assembly systems and various part handling and transport systems.

Founded in 1959 as Valiant Machine & Tool Inc. by Mr. Michael Solcz, Valiant TMS is headquartered in Windsor, Ontario, Canada and has expanded its operations to 27 facilities in 13 countries (USA, Mexico, Austria, Belgium, Spain, Germany, India, China, Russia, Poland, the Czech Republic, Romania und Brazil). In 2006, Turnkey Manufacturing Solutions GmbH ("TMS") in Austria was acquired by the Valiant Group.

Mr. Marty Solcz, Chairman of the Solcz Group Inc., said "For over 57 years, Valiant TMS has been committed to delivering our customers optimal automation and tooling solutions globally. The resources of the Chinese consortium will enable Valiant TMS to serve our customers in new regions and realize opportunities in expanded sectors in an ever-changing global marketplace."

"We are excited about joining the Chinese consortium" said Dr. Stefan Wilden, CEO, Valiant TMS. "It will give our talented team the opportunity and financial support to further develop innovations and create more fully integrated and intelligent solutions for our customers. We look forward to working with the consortium teams to grow our expertise and expand our services globally and continue to follow our customers." Valiant TMS is pleased with the opportunities and synergies that will be created and will continue to operate under the same management team.

About HCD Group

HCD Group, located in Shanghai, China, consists of Companies whose collective strategy is to become a globally significant player in Industry 4.0 Intelligent Equipment-related industries. The Group will continue to support organic growth and M&A activity – to build on core technologies and competencies of the Valiant TMS group.

About MBL China Consulting/MultiTrust Capital Partners Co., Ltd.

MBL China Consulting/MultiTrustcapital Partners Co., Ltd. is a consulting company with offices in Beijing and Shanghai/China, Chicago/USA and Augsburg and Munich/Germany. In addition to traditional consulting for international companies in China - or on their way to China - MBL's main activities are advisory services for international and Chinese investors in cross border transactions. The advisory team has been led by Dr. Stefan Söhn from MBL's Augsburg office and Shane Xin Chen out of the Shanghai office.

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