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## ASX Announcement / Media Release

## <u>Westoz Investment Management Announces New</u> <u>Partnership With Flinders Investment Partners</u>

Westoz Investment Management Limited ("WIM"), a joint venture between Euroz Limited ("Euroz" ASX Code: EZL) and Mr Steve Tucker, today announced details of its first boutique funds management partnership with Flinders Investment Partners.

Flinders Investment Partners is a new specialist small companies investment manager that will bring together two of Australia's most experienced small and emerging company fund investors, Dr Andrew Mouchacca and Mr Richard Macdougall.

Before establishing Flinders, Dr Mouchacca was a Senior Investment Manager with the institutional focused fund manager Contango Asset Management (1999-2014). He was the Portfolio Manager of the Small Companies Fund (2009 – 2014) and specialised in the research coverage of a range of sectors. His analytical experience has focused on the emerging companies through his involvement in dedicated products in both the small and microcap universe.

Mr Macdougall began his career in investment markets in 1984. Before establishing Flinders, Richard was a Partner and Portfolio Manager with the Australian equities manager Perennial Growth (2005 to 2015). Prior to this, he was a founding shareholder at Contango (1999 to 2004) where he worked closely with Andrew within the investment team. He brings a wealth of equity market knowledge and business experience to the new venture.

Mr Naheed Rahman also joins the team in the role of Deputy Portfolio Manager. Previously, as a Research Analysts with Contango (2006 to 2015) he worked extensively in supporting the small and microcap products. He brings with him enthusiasm and rigour to assist in both the research effort and the portfolio management process.

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Flinders will initially be launching a small and emerging companies fund, which will provide investors access to the significant growth opportunities available in the sector. The emerging companies fund will have a limited capacity to preserve investment flexibility. With the limited sector capacity in this market, we anticipate strong investor demand.

Founding Partner of Flinders Dr Mouchacca said "We are delighted to be the first team to partner with WIM, and look forward to Flinders establishing a strong presence in the emerging company's landscape. WIM brings an innovative business model, infrastructure, capital and distribution capabilities which will provide a strong platform for the Flinders' business".

Executive Chairman of WIM Mr Steve Tucker said "We are excited to be able to partner with Andrew and his team in launching our first boutique partnership, Flinders Investment Partners. We see continuing demand for high quality smaller companies managers, and with the talented team at Flinders, believe we can deliver great outcomes for clients. We see Flinders as a great starting point in WIM building boutique partnerships with other talented investors to deliver strategies that can add significant value for clients".

Mr Andrew McKenzie, Executive Chairman of Euroz said "Euroz has been working to develop our investment management capability through our WIM joint venture. The JV has been set up to implement our long term strategy to create and foster a quality, multi-boutique Investment Management business. Euroz understands the long term nature of investment management so will provide all the support necessary for WIM and its boutique managers to be successful. Today we are delighted to announce Flinders Investment Partners as the first in what will be a small number of high quality boutique investment partnerships".

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## About Euroz

Euroz is a specialised funds management, wealth management and securities business. Euroz has two funds management divisions consisting of Westoz Investment Management Limited ("WIM") and Westoz Funds Management Pty Ltd ("WFM"). Our wealth management operation is Entrust Private Wealth Management Pty Ltd and our stockbroking and corporate finance business is Euroz Securities Limited.



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