



## Private Equity Crucial for Future Cleantech Market

*Düsseldorf, December 14<sup>th</sup> 2020 – A whole universe of new and innovative companies in the cleantech sector is currently emerging around "green energy". For investors, they are currently accessible almost exclusively through private equity investments. "In the foreseeable future, more and more of these cleantech start-ups will go public; for private equity investors, early entry is then often very lucrative", says Markus W. Voigt, CEO of the aream Group.*

For example, on December 10, 2020, Cleantech BladeRanger was successfully listed on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, a company from the portfolio of incubator Capital Nature. The company develops robotic systems that are controlled through cloud-computing and independently clean solar panels. This maximizes the amount of solar radiation on the panels and increases the yield of the system. "BladeRanger is just one example of the variety of young cleantech companies that we look at closely and then invest in with our private equity fund", says Voigt.

The increasing importance of sustainability criteria in investments, just like the declared intentions of many states, companies or municipalities to operate in a climate-neutral manner, are creating an unparalleled boom in this sector. Thus, there are still many tasks to be completed and creative answers to the challenges of climate change to be found. "Here it is a matter of new cleantech companies that have excellent and sometimes disruptive technologies with solid business models that need capital", says Voigt.

Companies in early-stage phases just like those in expansion and growth phases are also interesting for investors. "We see these companies because many of them turn to us as one of the established and big players in renewables", Voigt says. "If they have a clear business plan and mature technology or products, and we can add value directly through our size, network and market access - we participate through a dedicated fund." This vehicle, aream Cleantech Capital, is open to investors.

One strategic partner here is the Israeli incubator Capital Nature, which has already successfully taken several of its portfolio companies public. The company's own IPO is planned for 2021/2022. "For aream Cleantech Capital, we have agreed to invest directly in the incubator in the last financing round before the IPO", says Voigt. "The portfolio companies included are an excellent fit for our target portfolio and offer attractive profit opportunities that will also be realized quickly, as is now the case with the BladeRanger IPO."

**Webinar on private equity in the cleantech sector:** in a one-hour webinar **on December 16, 2020 at 10 a.m.**, aream Group will present the opportunities that exist in the cleantech sector. Markus W. Voigt and Anat Tsour Segal, CEO of Capital Nature, will discuss these topics: In which cleantech areas are new companies emerging? Which topics are promising for the future? How do you select the right companies? What does the investment process look like? What returns can be expected?

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### **About aream**

The aream Group is a fully integrated investment and asset manager for institutional investors focusing on sustainable infrastructure in the renewable energy sector, including wind and solar power, grids and storage technology. aream is represented along the entire value chain from project development to the operation of the plants. With a transaction volume of more than 1.5 billion Euro, the company has covered the entire spectrum of asset management services for more than 15 years and ensures the commercial and technical optimization of the assets. In addition to classic project investments in Clean Energy, aream also offers investment opportunities in CleanTech companies: directly or via private equity solutions. aream combines investment expertise with technical and commercial know-how and guarantees sustainable performance with stable distributions, returns and value growth through a structured investment and risk management process.

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