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Tekcapital Plc
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Portfolio Company Update: Guident Ltd., ("Guident")

Guident Files Additional Patent for Remote Monitoring and Control of Autonomous Vehicles

Tekcapital Plc (AIM: TEK), the UK intellectual property investment group focused on creating marketplace value from investing in university technology, is pleased to announce that portfolio company Guident has filed an additional patent for the enhanced remote monitoring and control of autonomous vehicles (AV's), delivery drones and robots.

Guident is pleased to announce that it has filed U.S. patent application #17025152 entitled: "System and Methods for Remote Monitoring of a Vehicle, Robot or Drone." This new patent teaches methods and procedures for improving the real-time, intelligent monitoring and control of AV's and land-based delivery drones. The application is directed to a novel smart remote monitoring device and improved remote monitoring control centre, describing methods for monitoring incident risk level and remotely taking control of multiple autonomous vehicles, robots, or drones. The systems and methods described in the application can enhance the safety of autonomous vehicles, robots, or drones.

Guident has developed and acquired a portfolio of seven patents and applications, together which enables advanced teleoperation for AV's and drones to enhance customer safety and security whilst providing a reliable, low latency connection to any advanced mobile network solution.

"We are very excited to announce this additional patent. We believe that Guident's advanced Remote Monitoring and Control Center (RMCC) for autonomous vehicles, robots and drones will facilitate safe teleoperation capabilities of AV's, robots and drones and enable vehicle manufacturers and fleet operators to comply with local laws requiring remote monitoring and control for driverless AV's," says Harald Braun, Chairman & CEO of Guident.

The Market

According to Allied Market Research, "the autonomous vehicle market is expected to reach \$556 billion by 2026 with a CAGR of 39%.¹ Contactless or "touch-free" delivery is in high demand due to the COVID 19 pandemic.^{2,3} Guident believes this increased demand will accelerate the roll-out of land-based delivery drones for food and medicines to improve their availability and reduce the costs of these deliveries.

About Guident, Ltd.

Guident commercializes new technology to enhance the safety, efficiency and utility of autonomous vehicles and ground-based drones using its proprietary IP & software apps for remote monitoring and control. To learn more please visit www.guident.co

Tekcapital owns 100% of the share capital of Guident Ltd.

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