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**Marco Polo XTF and T&C Holdings enter into a capital and strategic alliance to develop ETF research and advisory services catering to the needs of pan-Asian institutional and retail ETF investors.**

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Marco Polo XTF, the independent ETF research and advisory subsidiary of Marco Polo Network, entered into a capital and strategic alliance with T&C Holdings and appointed T&C Holdings Chairman & CEO Shigeki Tanaka to its board of directors.

T&C Holdings' President & CEO Shigeki Tanaka stated: "T&C Holdings' financial expertise and innovative technology has enabled us to develop a leadership position in the steadily expanding Asian information provider market. Our strategic alliance with Marco Polo XTF bolsters our content offering and will allow us to capitalize on the growing pan-Asian demand for actionable ETF research."

Alexander v. Perfall, Chief Network Officer, Marco Polo XTF, added: "Marco Polo XTF's goal is to deliver timely, vendor neutral, multi-market ETF security level research to our customers. We are thrilled about our strategic alliance with T&C whose Asian market knowledge, strong value proposition and distribution platform will allow us to better serve the needs of ETF investors and market participants."

### **About Marco Polo XTF**

Marco Polo XTF is an internet based research company exclusively dedicated to the needs of ETF investors, sponsors, asset managers and exchanges. The company provides sophisticated ETF research, investment decision support tools and advisory services. Its suite of proprietary services are aimed for use in various areas of the investment process, including security level research, portfolio construction and optimization, performance benchmarking and attribution, risk management and analysis. For more information <http://www.xtf.com>

### **About T&C Holdings**

T&C Holdings (OSE: 3832) is a financial information service provider headquartered in Tokyo. For more information <http://www.tandch.com>

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