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SBI Holdings, Inc.

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SBI Investment Co., Ltd.

### **Notice Regarding an Investment into FinLeap GmbH**

SBI Investment Co., Ltd. (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director: Katsuya Kawashima; hereinafter “SBI Investment”), is a subsidiary of SBI Holdings, Inc. (Head office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director: Yoshitaka Kitao), which conducts investments and management of venture capital funds. SBI Investment hereby announces that it has invested in FinLeap GmbH (Head office: Berlin, Germany; hereinafter “FinLeap”) through its funds including the FinTech Fund.

FinLeap is a company so called “Company Builder,” which establishes venture companies of their own and provides essential support for incubation by involving outside investors. FinLeap is specialized in the FinTech field, and currently has 12 affiliated venture companies, including solarisBank, which operates a platform that enables the provision of banking components, such as banking account, payment cards, electronic money, loans and settlements through an API (Application Programming Interface), offering a wide range of financial services such as banking and insurance. Going forward, FinLeap is expecting to continuously expand its businesses by creating new services.

In December 2015, SBI Investment established the FinTech Fund (Fund name: FinTech Business Innovation LPS; total commitment amount: JPY 30 billion), which intends to invest in the FinTech field. The FinTech Fund will make aggressive efforts to invest in promising both Japanese and overseas venture companies in the FinTech business fields and support open innovation between the fund investors and the investee companies, with a view to promote introduction and utilization of FinTech-related technologies by the fund investors, while boosting the value of investee companies.

The SBI Group will continuously expand investments in venture companies in the FinTech field by leveraging the knowledge in the online financial services businesses accumulated by itself, as a FinTech pioneer company, and sequentially adopt the leading-edge FinTech technologies in the Group’s Financial Services Business.

#### **[Outline of FinLeap]**

Head office : Hardenbergstr. 32, 10623 Berlin, Germany  
Representative : Ramin Niroumand, Co-Founder and CEO  
Business : Establishment and support of FinTech venture companies  
Establishment : June 2014  
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