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Hansel Henson LLP acts as lead legal advisers on the sale of Future Games of London Ltd ('FGOL') to Ubisoft®

<u>Thomas Henson</u>, assisted by <u>Justine Saliba</u>, of intellectual property and digital media specialists Hansel Henson LLP advised the shareholders of long term client FGOL, led the sale and negotiated and advised on the intellectual property, digital media and commercial contract aspects of the recent acquisition of FGOL by French head-quartered games giant Ubisoft.

FGOL focus exclusively on free-to-play games on smart-phones and tablets and have had great success with their game titles 'Hungry Shark', 'Grabatron' and 'Pool Bar'.

FGOL was set up in 2009 and Hansel Henson, who were formed in the same year, have been their legal advisers throughout. FGOL has built a business with 41 employees and over 100 million downloads. The acquisition by Ubisoft will enable FGOL to continue its success and worldwide growth.

"I am delighted that having worked with FGOL since its launch in 2009 - coinciding with Hansel Henson's own launch - that we have now seen the shareholders achieve a very successful sale, and one which hopefully secures the company's future under the umbrella of a world leading games company. We all hope that this leads to even better things for FGOL which has such a strong position in the growing game apps market." Tom Henson, Partner

"This is the second very significant corporate transaction Hansel Henson has acted on in recent months, following hot on the heels of another established client Gaming Realms PLC on the intellectual property and commercial contract aspects of its reverse takeover, initial public offering on AIM and placing to raise £3.4 million. It also supports our wider work with other law firms (both big and small) which has been a distinctive service offering of this IP and Digital Media boutique since its launch four years ago."

Magrath LLP advised FGOL on the corporate and employment law aspects of the transaction through Company Commercial partner, Dai Little, assisted by Abigail Priest and their Company Commercial team. David Marcussen of Marcussen Consulting advised on the tax issues.

Wiggin LLP acted for Ubisoft alongside its in-house team and Ernst & Young.

The Ubisoft press release can be found here

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