Having finished 2021 on a high in terms of new issues, a packed pipeline in view and with Covid seemingly in retreat, the omens were looking very positive for the first quarter of 2022. But the world had other plans with the unprecedented and ongoing invasion of Ukraine.

Despite this, the new year began on the front foot with our first IPO of 2022 on Jan 6th. Amongst our 6 IPOs in 2022 to date, was one Aquis Exchange PLC! On 29th March, Aquis took its place on the Apex segment of the AQSE Growth Market.

Other notable developments in the first quarter included the announcement that VSA Capital is to launch an AQSE Apex Index and the publication of our new, simple, guide to AQSE and regulation vis a vis SIPPs and ISAs. See below:











AQSE NEW ISSUERS - Q1:

We've had a strong start to the year with double the number of companies joining our growth market in Q1 22 compared with the same period last year, demonstrating the continued interest in capital markets, and particularly AQSE for companies looking to grow their business. They are as follows:



Hydrogen Utopia International PLC specialises in turning non-recyclable mixed waste plastic into carbon-free fuels, new materials or distributed renewable heat, and joined our Access segment on **6th January** with an opening market cap of £28.8m, following a fundraise of £3m.

Superseed Capital LTD launched onto our Access segment on 31st January and raised £2m as part of their admission process. SuperSeed Capital provides a unique opportunity of investing initially in the SuperSeed Ventures LLP second fund (Fund II), and over time in other unlisted technology funds and companies.

Majestic Corporation PLC joined our Access segment on 10th March and recycles precious and non-ferrous metals from obsolete mechanical and industrial material, in addition to industrial metal residues left over from manufacturing. Majestic joined with an opening market cap of £5m.

ProBiotix Health PLC joined our Access segment on **31st March** with an opening market cap of £25.5m and following a fund-raise of £2.5m. ProBiotix develops probiotics to tackle cardiovascular disease and other lifestyle conditions which are affecting growing numbers of people across the world.



Aquis Exchange PLC, the exchange services group which operates Aquis Exchange, Aquis Stock Exchange (AQSE) and Aquis Technologies dual-listed our Apex segment on **29th March** with an opening market cap of £134m. Aquis continues to build momentum

across all areas of its activities; the dual listing is a logical step in the Group's progression and a tangible demonstration of confidence in AQSE.

Invinity Energy Systems PLC manufactures flow batteries for large-scale, high-throughput energy storage requirements of business, industry, and electrical networks and dual-listed on our Apex segment on **9th March** with a market cap of £88.2m. Invinity has also listed short-term and long-term warrants on our Access segment, taking advantage of our policy to accept additional lines of security that other markets do not facilitate.

SELECTED COMPANY NEWS

Below is a selection of developments announced by AQSE companies during the quarter:

Aquis Exchange PLC released FY21 results on March 29th, showing revenues up 42% to £16.2m and profit before tax of £3.2m – fivefold increase!

British Honey Company will be changing its name to Union Distillers PLC to reflect the business' expanding product range of spirits, drinks and services.

Coinsilium Group was appointed as advisor to lifestyle fashion brand company Blvck SRL for the launch of its upcoming 'Blvck Genesis' NFT collection. It will provide strategic advisory services to Blvck Paris for the launch in respect of the NFT market and promoting the collection.

Goodbody Health announced the rollout of its plan to introduce blood testing through its existing network of clinics, as well signing the lease for its first clinic in Vancouver, BC.

KR1 invested US\$5,000,000 into Starry Night Capital, a specialised investment fund dedicated to assembling a collection of high-profile NFTs.

National Milk Records secured an exclusive licence for the exploitation of GenoCells technology in the US. GenoCells provides farmers with a quick and easy method for identification and treatment of animals for tissue inflammations.

S-Ventures announced the acquisition of Livia's Health Foods Limited ('Livia's'), a UK manufacturer of natural, plant based food treats. Also recently S-Ventures agreed to a further acquisition of Market Rocket Limited a dynamic, growth-focused digital agency. Market Rocket was founded in 2019 and has established itself as one of the UK's leading agencies within the Amazon ecosystem.

Voyager announced the launch of voyagerCann, its new bespoke skincare product creation and development division following the acquisition of Cannafull in December 2021.

Walls & Futures announced the launch of Pax Homes, a specially designed home that will improve the lives of people with autism and their families. Initially available as 1 and 2 bedroom homes, they can be configured to individual homes or incorporated into a small development.

EVENTS, PODCASTS AND MEDIA



Aquis Virtual Investor Evening 8th February 2022

On the 8th February we were delighted to kick-off the events season by sponsoring the Aquis Investor webinar in partnership with UK Investor Magazine. The virtual evening consisted of three investor presentations from well-known AQSE companies Good Energy Group, National Milk Records and SulNOx Group and a keynote opening address by our very own Aquis Exchange PLC CEO, Alasdair Haynes. Over 400 investors registered for the event and many questions were asked of our companies from both current and prospective shareholders. As well as highlighting AQSE issuers, this event allowed investors to hear directly from the CEOs on how the individual companies were progressing and their outlook for the future.

Our podcast continued this quarter with a plethora of exciting guests:

Available for listening across all major platforms including SoundCloud, Apple & Spotify. <u>Listen here</u>.



PODCAST GUESTS



Charles Newsome



Simon French



Kay Swinburne



Justin King



Jonny Fry



Bryan Coyne



Tom Tugendhat



Charlie Starmer-Smith

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK

AQSE's digital postcard campaign continued throughout the winter, with the following being sent out:







STOP PRESS · STOP PRESS · STOP PRESS

Aquis Exchange was delighted to be an official cricket sponsor in March, backing the England team in the West Indies!





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