

## Luminis Partners Expands Partnership and Senior Team

Luminis Partners (“Luminis”) is delighted to announce that Peter Brownie will join co-founders Ron Malek, Simon Mordant and Jamie Garis as the fourth partner of the firm.

Mr Brownie is currently Managing Director, Investment Banking at Morgan Stanley. He has a strong reputation for integrity and an unwavering commitment to achieving successful outcomes for his private equity and corporate clients.

Luminis is also delighted to announce that it has appointed Michael Crowley as a Senior Adviser. Mr Crowley is a highly respected and trusted counsel on capital markets to Boards and management of major Australasian corporations and was most recently the executive chairman of CIMB Australia’s investment banking division.

These appointments take the total Luminis team to twelve, all of whom have been hired since the establishment of Luminis was announced four weeks ago. Luminis is continuing to engage with leading advisers in the market and plans to continue to add to the team over coming months.

The three co-founders of Luminis Partners said that attracting such senior, experienced corporate advisers as Peter Brownie and Michael Crowley was part of Luminis’ strategy to provide the highest level of advice and experience to clients.

“We have known, worked with, and respected Peter for a very long time, and we know how much his advice is valued by his clients,” Simon Mordant said.

“As a result of our long-standing relationship with Peter, we know that he shares our values and our passionate approach to helping clients achieve their goals.”

“We are delighted and excited that Peter is joining us as our fourth partner as he will complement and expand our client offering at the highest level,” Ron Malek said.

“He has advised on a very broad cross section of mergers and acquisitions and equity capital market transactions over the last two decades and is renowned for achieving outstanding results for his clients.

Jamie Garis said the appointment of Michael Crowley as a Senior Adviser was a coup for Luminis.

“Mike’s 30-year track record of success in the capital markets and his deep understanding of equity flows are rare in this market and we are fortunate to be able to secure him as part of Luminis,” Mr Garis said.

Ron Malek said “Peter and Mike embody what we are seeking to build in Luminis- a house of senior, trusted counsels to clients who base their advice on years of experience and an established track record of success.”

Jamie Garis concluded “The team has grown very rapidly over the past few weeks and we are continuing to hire because of the overwhelming response we have had from clients for our advice and strategic counsel.”

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#### **NOTE TO EDITORS- ABOUT LUMINIS PARTNERS**

*Luminis Partners provides conflict-free advice to major corporations, private equity firms, institutions and Government bodies on strategy, mergers, takeovers and takeover defence, acquisitions and divestments, restructurings and capital markets activities.*

*Luminis Partners has entered into a strategic relationship with global NYSE listed advisory firm Evercore (market capitalisation US\$2.6bn) to service clients around the world.*

*Under this relationship, Evercore has made an investment in Luminis Partners which entitles it to acquire a 20 percent stake in Luminis Partners in early 2017 and Luminis Partners is the exclusive affiliate of Evercore in Australasia.*

*The three founding partners of Luminis have worked together for 15 years, initially at Caliburn Partnership and then Greenhill following the sale of Caliburn to Greenhill in 2010. Ron and Simon were founding partners at Caliburn in 1999 and prior to that worked together at BZW for a number of years with Peter Brownie.*

*Ron Malek and Simon Mordant were global Vice Chairmen of Greenhill and Jamie Garis was Co-Head of Greenhill Australia until last year.*

*As part of the formation of Luminis Partners, the founding partners will establish the Luminis Foundation. A portion of the future profits of Luminis Partners will be directed to the Foundation for causes in the community focused on arts, education, health and welfare.*

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