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7IM launches strategic AI partnership with leading AI firm Aveni to introduce transformational technologies to support clientcentric growth

London, UK – 30 November 2023 – <u>Aveni.ai</u>, the AI fintech business, has been selected by the client-centric, technology-driven wealth and investment management business <u>7IM</u> as a strategic AI partner. The firm plans to leverage the technology as it accelerates growth following Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan's recent agreement to invest in 7IM.

7IM prioritises technology investment as fundamental to operational efficiency and enhanced client experience. The firm is committed to innovation and AI is central to business transformation and scalable growth.

7IM will deploy Aveni's Generative AI and Natural Language Processing (NLP)-based technology platform to boost productivity of its financial advisers and wealth managers, and further strengthen its risk assurance capabilities.

The adoption of the latest advances in generative AI, NLP and large language models will allow 7IM to fully harness the power of AI-technology to build a highly scalable operating platform, whilst providing unparalleled risk management and oversight. This is supportive of the FCA's "data-first" approach, and in line with the FCA's Consumer Duty regulations.

The AI-partnership will also see both firms collaborating on commercial opportunities to expand the application of AI technologies both within 7IM and across the broader asset and wealth management industry.

Jana Sivananthan, Chief Risk Officer at 7IM commented, "7IM is a business that has a long history of putting its clients first by staying at the forefront of technological innovation. This approach is reflected in the choice to partner with Aveni for strategic AI adoption."

"The recent announcement of Ontario Teachers' intended acquisition of 7IM underlines our leading position in the UK asset and wealth management sector and creates an exciting opportunity to invest in further business transformation and scale significantly. Fundamental to that is a highly scalable operating platform and data-first approach to managing risk. We have chosen Aveni as a partner that can help us achieve that."

Andy Johnston, Aveni explains, "We're in the initial phase of a technology revolution that will fundamentally change the industry over the next decade. This strategic partnership enables 7IM to deploy Aveni's market leading AI-driven Client and Compliance tools, whilst working together to achieve transformational efficiencies across the whole value chain.

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About Aveni

Aveni is an Edinburgh-based FinTech company propelling the financial services industry into a new era of hyper-efficiency. Aveni's platform seamlessly merges advanced AI with human expertise resulting in significant efficiency gains across a business' operating model. From comprehensive client admin support and CRM population to automatic quality assurance and performance assessment, Aveni's AI platform has been purpose-built to automate Financial Services workflows. Learn more at www.aveni.ai

About 7IM

About 7IM The "7" in 7IM refers to the seven original founders of the business. Back in 2002, they couldn't find a firm who they trusted to manage their families' money properly – so they started their own company to provide the kind of investment service they were looking for themselves, but were unable to find. Their aim was to deliver steady returns over the long term, while keeping an eye on risk, using the best available technology. They wanted everyone to have access to the kind of service and expertise that institutional investors would expect. Our team, client base and funds under management have grown steadily over the years. From our offices in London and Edinburgh, more than 500 talented people manage over £21 billion for a range of clients, including individuals and families, financial advisers, corporates, charities and trustees. At 7IM, we provide investment services to professional wealth management, a range of multi-asset portfolios, an investment and open architecture trading platform, a range of retirement solutions, and a fantastic app, 7IMagine, which brings client portfolios to life.

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