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SBI Holdings, Inc.
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Notice Regarding Investment in Colossus, Developing and Operating a Bridging Infrastructure Connecting Custody Providers and Validators

SBI Holdings, Inc. (Head Office: Minato-ku, Tokyo; President & CEO: Yoshitaka Kitao; hereinafter “SBI Holdings”) hereby announces that it has made an investment in Colossus S.r.l. (Head Office: Rome, Italy; Founder & CEO: Gianni Pelosi; hereinafter “Colossus”) through the SBI-Sygnum-Azimut Digital Asset Opportunity Fund (Location: Singapore; hereinafter “the Fund”), which is managed by the SBI Group.

Colossus is a blockchain infrastructure company offering the Institutional Hub — a two-sided B2B marketplace connecting regulated custodians with top-tier validators for staking and governance. This platform fosters a secure environment where institutional investors can participate in digital asset staking, enabling compliant, verifiable transactions without the operational burden of integration or maintenance.

The staking and custody markets for digital assets have been expanding rapidly in recent years, and this growth is expected to drive increasing demand for Colossus's services. As institutional investors seek safe and efficient ways to manage their assets, Colossus is well-positioned to act as a critical bridge in this evolving ecosystem, anticipating significant growth ahead.

[About SBI-Sygnum-Azimut Digital Asset Opportunity Fund]

The SBI-Sygnum-Azimut Digital Asset Opportunity Fund, launched in Singapore in 2021, makes early-stage investments in innovative startups, particularly those focused on crypto assets, decentralized ledger technology (DLT) infrastructure, decentralized finance (DeFi), and regulatory technology. The Fund is jointly managed by SBI Ven Capital Pte. Ltd. (Head Office: Singapore; Representative: Eiichiro So) and Sygnum Pte. Ltd. (Head Office: Singapore; Representative: Gerald Goh), and focuses on venture investments primarily in Southeast Asia and Europe. It leverages the expertise and ecosystem of SBI Group, Sygnum Bank Group of Switzerland, and Azimut Group of Italy, each a pioneer in the digital asset industry, and the extensive networks of these groups across Asia and Europe to support the growth of promising digital asset-related companies.

[About the SBI Group]

Founded in 1999, the SBI Group is a comprehensive internet financial group that operates Financial Services Business, centering on securities, banking, and insurance, as the pioneer of internet-based financial services in Japan. The Group is committed to providing lower-cost and highly convenient products and services through the internet. In addition to its core financial services operations, the SBI Group also engages in Asset Management Business, PE Investment Business, Crypto-asset Business, and Next Gen Business on a global scale. In the Investment Business, the SBI Group has a track record of investing in globally renowned DLT companies such as Ripple and R3, holding investment assets of JPY 882.4 billion as of the end of March 2025, and has supported the growth and success of venture companies in the financial and technology industries in Asia. The subsidiary, SBI Ven Capital, operates as an asset management company authorized by the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Since its establishment in 2007, it has primarily conducted investments in companies in Southeast Asia and South Asia, managing assets worth approximately USD 662 million as of the end of March 2025.

[About Sygnum Bank Group]

Sygnum Bank Group is a digital asset specialist that began operations in 2019 as a digital asset bank granted a banking license by the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority in Switzerland and as a regulator-licensed asset management company in Singapore.

In recent years, Sygnum bank Group has played a key role in a number of digital asset start-ups in Switzerland.

[About Azimut Group]

Founded in 1989, Azimut Group is one of the leading asset management companies in Europe and Azimut Holdings has been listed on the Italian Stock Exchange since 2004. The Group has offices around the world and is engaged in the management and distribution of financial products.

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