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INVESTMENT YEAR: 2017

REALISATION YEAR: 2021

SECTOR: Services

Specialist financial markets consultancy

Sionic is a global consulting firm which tackles complex operational, economic and strategic problems, big and small, for clients dealing with evolving markets, changing risks, intricate regulation, cultural change, technology and digital advances.

Sionic was formed from three pre-existing consultancy firms of longstanding pedigree: Catalyst, Knadel and Sionic Advisors. The combined group is one of the world's largest and fastest growing specialist consulting firms with a combined revenue of over \$60M and a staff base of more than 300 professionals based in a dozen locations across North America, Europe and Asia, operating with a fully internationalised platform for their global client base.

I'm excited to lead the new Sionic, which combines the deep industry expertise of three organisations brought together in just over a year to offer clients best-of-breed expertise across a wide range of specialisations. Working with such a respected investor as Livingbridge will enable us to build on the momentum we have already generated to establish Sionic as the unrivalled choice for specialist financial markets consultancy.

Craig Sher
CEO, Sionic

The right tools for growth

M&A



We have worked closely with management to develop a M&A strategy with two transformative acquisitions: Knadel and Sionic Advisors.

Deliver a mergers & acquisitions strategy →

Sionic timeline

- 1994** Sionic founded as Catalyst Development Ltd
- 2006** Moves focus exclusively to financial markets
- 2007** Acquired by ABeam
- 2011** Management buy-out from ABeam
- 2011** Establishes presence in Japan
- 2017** Livingbridge invests
- 2018** Acquires Knadel
- 2018** Named as a Top 50 Best Workplace UK
- 2018** Opens new nearshore hub in Lithuania
- 2018** Opens Jersey office
- 2019** Named as one of the UK's Leading Management Consultants
- 2019** Opens new London headquarters
- 2019** Merges with Sionic Advisors
- 2019** Rebrands group as Sionic
- 2019** Appoints new CEO
- 2020** Wins 'Best Management Consultancy' at the WealthBriefing European Awards 2020
- 2021** Appoints new chair
- 2021** Livingbridge realises investment

