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**Software Circle plc
("Software Circle", the "Company" or the "Group")**

Board Appointment

Matthias Riechert, Chairman of Software Circle plc (AIM: SFT), will advise shareholders at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held at 10.00am in Manchester today that, immediately following the meeting, Günter Frank Fischer (commonly known as Frank Fischer) will join the Board as a Non-Executive Director.

Frank has over 25 years' experience in investment management, capital markets and public company board positions. He is CEO and Chief Investment Officer of Shareholder Value Management AG, a Frankfurt-based investment boutique specialising in value equities.

Since December 2022, Frank has chaired the Supervisory Board of Intershop Communications AG, a German-listed provider of B2B e-commerce and omnichannel platform software. Frank is also the majority shareholder of ForkOn GmbH, a developer, operator and distributor of fleet management systems.

Frank began his career in banking with Hessische Landesbank before completing his studies in business administration at the University of Frankfurt am Main. He subsequently spent a decade in fund research and ratings as Managing Director of Standard & Poor's Fund Services (formerly Micropal GmbH), until the end of 2005. He was a member of the Management Board of Shareholder Value Beteiligungen AG from 2010 until February 2025, and previously served on the Supervisory Board of Pulsion Medical Systems AG/SE between 2009 and 2014.

Through his family investment vehicle, Value Focus Beteiligungs GmbH, Frank holds an interest in 105,910,910 shares in the Company (27.15% of issued share capital).

Gavin Cockerill, CEO said: "Frank brings 25 years of capital markets experience and has sat on public company boards. He understands what disciplined capital allocation looks like in practice and has thought deeply about the opportunity AI brings for vertical market software businesses. That combination is exactly the perspective we want as we keep acquiring and growing vertical market software businesses across the UK and Ireland. We are pleased to welcome Frank to the Board."

Frank Fisher, commented: "I have been an investor in Software Circle for a long time. I have watched its transition closely. The team has transitioned the business and turned it into a strong group of vertical software companies and we should be proud of that. I am joining because I think there is more to come. I look forward to adding to the conversation on AI strategy and on capital allocation, as we focus on getting to gate 5."

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Notes to editors:

Software Circle plc (AIM: SFT) has a mission: to be a leading serial acquirer and operator of Vertical Market Software businesses in the UK and Ireland - a permanent home for software leaders, teams, and customers. These are mission-critical systems, deeply embedded in the day-to-day workflows of users.

We help founders find the right exit strategy, acquiring businesses at appropriate valuations, supporting their organic growth over time, and reinvesting the free cash flow they generate into further value-accretive opportunities. We are building a group that gives shareholders diversified exposure to these software businesses, with discipline, alignment, and operational know-how.

Software Circle continues operations in an independent, decentralised way, and maintains the entrepreneurial spirit and culture that exists in the businesses acquired, enabling organic growth to be driven. Our goal is to create an environment where motivated teams can do their best work for the benefit of the most important stakeholder: the end customer.

For more information visit www.softwarecircle.com.

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