

ASX ANNOUNCEMENT (ASX: AVC)

3 October, 2018

Execution of Scout Ventures Agreements

Highlights

- Auctus Alternative Investments has now entered into binding Agreements with Scout Ventures, a New York based early stage venture capital investment firm.
- Auctus will invest up to US\$1,000,000 to acquire a minimum 10% economic interest in Scout Ventures Fund III, G.P. (refer announcement dated 14th August 2018)
- Auctus may also receive initial and ongoing fees for funds invested in Scout Ventures Funds and for future Special Purpose Vehicles. In addition, Scout Ventures will assist Auctus in identifying investment opportunities in emerging and frontier technology industries.

Auctus Alternative Investments Limited [ASX:AVC] (Auctus or the Company) is pleased to announce that it has executed binding Agreements (Agreements) in relation to transactions with Scout Ventures Fund III, L.P. (Scout Fund III), Scout Ventures Fund III, GP, LLC (Scout Fund III GP) (both Delaware limited partnerships) and Bradley C. Harrison (Harrison) (those parties collectively referred to as the Scout Parties).

Binding Agreements

The Company has executed a Letter Agreement, Investor Referral Agreement and Economic Assignee Agreement which provides for various transactions involving Auctus and the Scout Parties.

The Scout Fund III GP is proposed to be a US\$50M fund deployed across approximately 24 companies in the target sectors identified above. Auctus proposes making the Scout investment via its wholly owned subsidiary High Line Alternative Investments Pty Ltd (**HLIA**).

Appointment of Bradley C. Harrison

Auctus will now take appropriate steps to cause Bradley C. Harrison to be appointed a member of the Board of Auctus over the coming weeks.

On behalf of the board:

Campbell McComb Managing Director

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Overview of Scout Ventures

Scout Ventures LLC is an early stage venture capital firm based in New York that targets investment in emerging and frontier technologies and supports, and seeks to cultivate relationships with, otherwise hard-to-access, experienced technology business founders.

Scout focuses on sectors where its experience and relationships allow it to best support its investments; namely frontier technology (Artificial Intelligence, Virtual Reality, Drones, Robotics, Autonomous Mobility and IoT), enterprise SaaS, Cyber-security and Big Data.

Since its inception in 2012, Scout Ventures has achieved a lifetime blended IIR of 18.4% and taken over a dozen companies from discovery phase to exit, profitability or other liquidity event. With over 65 investments across three fund vehicles, Scout has made cash distributions for each of its previous funds.

For more information on Scout Ventures please visit <u>www.scoutventures.com</u>