XBP Europe Completes Business Combination with CF Acquisition Corp. VIII

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XBP Europe to trade on the NASDAQ under the ticker "XBP"

LONDON and NEW YORK, Nov. 29, 2023 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- XBP Europe, Inc. ("XBP Europe") announced today that it has completed its business combination with CF Acquisition Corp. VIII (Nasdaq: CFFE) ("CF VIII"). The combined company will operate as XBP Europe going forward and, beginning on November 30, 2023, XBP Europe shares will trade on the Nasdaq Stock Market under the ticker symbol "XBP" and its warrants will trade on the Nasdaq Stock Market under the ticker symbol "XBPEW".

XBP Europe is a pan-European integrator of bills and payments. It connects buyers and suppliers, across industries, to optimize clients' bills and payments processes to advance digital transformation, improve market wide liquidity, and encourage sustainable business practices. As a leader in bills and payments, XBP Europe provides business process management solutions with software suites and deep domain expertise, serving as a technology and operations partner for its clients' strategic journeys. XBP Europe services over 2,000 clients across Europe, consisting of long standing relationships with many blue chip companies. Thanks to its cloud based structure and configuration flexibility, XBP Europe is able to deploy its solutions to clients in any EMEA market.

"Our European business has a long operating history and I am thankful and proud of all the dedicated colleagues that make XBP Europe a premier integrator of bills and payments as well as a leader in digital transformation," said Andrej Jonovic, CEO of XBP Europe. "As we begin a new chapter in the public markets, I look forward to keeping investors and clients alike informed on our progress."

Howard Lutnick, Chairman and CEO of Cantor Fitzgerald and CF VIII, stated, "XBP Europe is a unique asset that has the potential to become a valuable part of the European payments network. We are excited about XBP Europe's potential to grow its market share."

About XBP Europe

XBP Europe is a pan-European integrator of bills, payments and related solutions and services seeking to enable digital transformation of its more than 2,000 clients. The company's name – 'XBP' stands for 'exchange for bills and payments' and reflects the company's strategy to connect buyers and suppliers, across industries, including banking, healthcare, insurance,

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utilities and the public sector, to optimize clients' bills and payments and related digitization processes. The company provides business process management solutions with proprietary software suites and deep domain expertise, serving as a technology and services partner for its clients. Its cloud-based structure enables it to deploy its solutions across the European market, along with the Middle East and Africa. The physical footprint of XBP Europe spans 15 countries and 34 locations and a team of approximately 1,500 individuals. XBP Europe believes its business ultimately advances digital transformation, improves market wide liquidity by expediting payments, and encourages sustainable business practices. For more information, please visit: <u>www.xbpeurope.com</u>

About Exela Technologies

Exela Technologies, Inc. ("Exela") (Nasdag: XELA, XELAP), the indirect majority shareholder of XBP Europe, is a business process automation (BPA) leader, leveraging a global footprint and proprietary technology to provide digital transformation solutions that improve efficiency, quality, and productivity. With decades of experience operating mission-critical processes, Exela serves a growing roster of more than 4,000 customers throughout 50 countries, including over 60% of the Fortune® 100. With foundational technologies spanning information management, workflow automation, and integrated communications, Exela's software and services include multi-industry solution suites addressing finance & accounting, human capital management, facilities optimization, and legal management, as well as industry-specific solutions for banking, healthcare, insurance, and the public sector. Exela is a leader in workflow automation, attended and unattended cognitive automation, digital mailrooms, print communications, and payment processing, with deployments across the globe. Through cloud-enabled platforms, built on a configurable stack of automation modules, and approximately 15,500 employees operating in 21 countries, Exela rapidly deploys integrated technology and operations as an end-to-end digital journey partner. For more information, please visit: www.exelatech.com

About CF Acquisition Corp. VIII

CF VIII was a special purpose acquisition company led by Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Howard W. Lutnick and sponsored by Cantor Fitzgerald.

About Cantor Fitzgerald

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