

Manchester Founder Scales Investment Firm with New London Office and Key Hires Following UAE Success.

In just over a year, a British entrepreneur has transformed his Dubai-based investment firm into a rising international player, now expanding into London with a new Mayfair office and an expanding team.

Manchester-born Matthew Ridyard founded Capiteq after a successful career in finance and is now bringing his fintech-driven investment platform to the UK.

Now with offices in London and Dubai and already employing 15 staff across the UAE, Europe and Asia, the firm is looking to grow its presence in sectors such as real estate debt, litigation finance, and private credit.

It plans to double headcount over the next 12 months with active recruitment across investment analysis, technology, legal and investor relations functions.

What sets the capital advisory firm apart is its proprietary technology stack, including an automated SPV syndication and investor platform, streamlining deal execution and compliance while giving clients real-time visibility through an integrated portal.

This system combines institutional-grade governance with fintech efficiency, enabling Capiteq to manage global private credit opportunities with unmatched transparency and scale making the firm more agile than typical fund managers.

Founder and CEO, Matthew Ridyard, said: "The private finance sector has been overdue a reset.

"Capiteq was born out of frustration with the way private investment was traditionally done, opaque structures, slow execution, and misaligned incentives between managers and investors.

"Having worked across both fintech and finance, I saw how technology had transformed retail finance, yet private market investment remained locked behind closed doors.

"We're bringing structure, transparency, and modern technology into a market that's been too slow to adapt.

"Expanding into the UK is a major milestone. London, like Dubai, is a global financial hub, and opening our new office here allows us to bring our Dubai experience to European investors."

Matthew has over a decade of experience in finance, technology, and structured investments, combining regulatory expertise with hands-on dealmaking. He previously founded and successfully exited Monefi, a UK fintech in insurance intermediation, and developed cross-border investment platforms across the UK, UAE, BVI, and Luxembourg, laying the foundation for his transition into institutional investment and fund structuring.

Under his leadership, Capiteq has already forged solid partnerships with leading institutional funders in its first year and facilitated access to diversified private credit portfolios spanning litigation assets, property-backed lending, and ESG-aligned impact claims.

“Operating internationally taught me the importance of structure, governance, and investor confidence,” added Matthew. “Those lessons now underpin how we approach risk, reporting, and opportunity at Capiteq.

“This is a big moment for Capiteq and indeed the UK which has been crying out for a shake-up in this sector. Investors today want predictability and trust without sacrificing performance.

“Capiteq was built to deliver that balance, disciplined finance backed by innovation.

“Launching in the UK reflects confidence in the strength of the UK’s fintech ecosystem and its role at the centre of modern global finance. We’re very much looking forward to building out our team.”

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About Capiteq:

- Capiteq is a fintech-led investment and capital advisory firm.
- A multi-asset investment and capital advisory firm specialising in private credit, litigation finance, and real estate debt, with operations now spanning the UK, EU UAE, and US.
- Bridges technology and institutional-grade expertise to make private markets more transparent and accessible.
- Connects investors to secured, high-yield opportunities across private credit, real estate debt, and litigation finance.
- Combines rigorous governance with technology-driven insights to support informed investment decisions.
- Operates internationally with offices in London and Dubai.
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