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#### **ABOUT ARETE CAPITAL ASIA**

Arete Capital Asia is a boutique financial advisory firm based in Hong Kong. Our Directors & Senior Team each have over 25+ years experience in international financial markets.

We are truly independent advisers - this means we offer advice based on the best solutions available and we are able to source a niche opportunities that we feel represent outstanding risk reward dynamics. The Arete Team digs deep and push boundaries to uncover and offer compelling risk / reward opportunities for our clients.

#### ABOUT GENKI FOREST

Founded in 2016, Genki Forest is a Chinese beverage passion brand that specializes in sugar free sparkling water and instant tea. The increased popularity of "low calorie" and less sugar food among Chinese people, Genki Forest's relatively healthier products have successfully catered to a substantial target market.

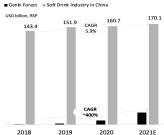
## **COMPANY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Solid revenue growth of c. 275% 2020 vs. 2019.
  - 2021 target revenue c. USD 900m
- Cash flow and EBITDA positive, 2020 & H1 2021
- Gross margin > 50%
- Genki's online sales surpassed Coca-Cola on 11.11 Global Shopping Festival in 2020 with 10+ million sales on that day.
- Genki employs both OEM (c.80%) as well as self-owned factories (c. 20%) are equipped with industry-leading automatic aseptic filling and ultra-clean carbonic acid production lines.
- Bilibili focus group, over 70% of the participants chose "Genki Forest" as the brand most related to "sparkling
- Understands young generations between 16-35 years old and interact with them by sponsoring TV shows, leading Ups popular with them.

# **COMPANY MILESTONES**



## **GROWTH**



## DISTRIBUTION



97% hypermarkets

#### **EXPANSION**



- · May 2021 Launched US website
- May 2021 Launched Amazon
- 2021 YTD 30+ countries. Offices in US, JP, AUS, SeA

## **RETAIL BREAKDOWN 2020**



## INVESTMENT PARTICULARS Target Company Genki Forest Technology Group Holdings Limited Type of Purchase Primary (Shares in Cap Table SPV) Type of Security Series D-1 Preferred Shares Purchase Valuation USD 15B pre-money. Price / Sales 6.3x target 2022 Potentially Holding Period Possibly an IPO exit in 2023, perhaps in Hong Kong. That said company is bottom line profitable in 2021 so possible to IPO sooner.

#### **FOUNDER AND CEO**

#### Binsena Tana

Binseng Tang is the founder of Genki Forest, the founding partner of Changers Capital, an angel investor in Tiger Brokers and founder and previous CEO of Elex which he founded in 2008. He led Genki Forest to become China's leading sugar free and low-calorie DTC beverage brand.

Mr. Tang was recognized as one of the "Top 30 entrepreneurs under 30 in China" by Forbes in 2012 and was a third-term student at Hupan University



He received M.S and B.S in Computer Science from Beihang University.

# **PRODUCTS**



#### KNOWN INVESTORS

SEQUOIA CAPITAL ╚ 红杉资本 CHINA

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## **HELPFUL LINKS**

BLOOMBERG Tech crackdown sees ..... China's consumer startups https://bloom.ba/3DQYMvA

Can do approach: Fast growing China firm Genki Forest unveils canned sparkling water strategy for Singapore and US

https://bit.lv/3ARRw3w

We aim to be the Coca-Cola of China: Genki Forest outlines SEA expansion plans with healthy beverages

https://bit.lv/3pcEStv

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