Qunova Appoints CFO and Business Development Executives, Strengthening Leadership Team

The appointments accelerate Qunova's transition from development to commercial delivery, positioning the company to scale in its next growth phase

DAEJEON, South Korea (August 13, 2026) — Qunova Computing, a maker of quantum software applications designed for the chemical, pharmaceutical and materials science industries, today announces the appointments of Jake Hwang as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) and Board Member, as well as Evan Kang and Woomin Kyoung as Business Development Executives. The team will take on a range of responsibilities including global strategic partnerships, enterprise market expansion, and capital markets initiatives.

"As the commercialization of quantum computing approaches a critical inflection point, it is essential that Qunova strengthen its leadership in key areas including finance, corporate strategy, and business development," said June-Koo Kevin Rhee, Founder and CEO of Qunova Computing. "Jake brings extensive experience leading IPOs, M&A transactions, investor relations, and corporate growth. Combined with Evan's deep network in life sciences and advanced materials, and Woomin's decades of industrial simulation expertise, these appointments significantly enhance our ability to deliver Industrial Quantum Advantage to customers worldwide."

Mr. Hwang most recently served as Chief Strategy Officer and Chief Business Officer at Nearthlab, where he played a key role in the company's growth and IPO preparation. Prior to that, he served as Head of Investor Relations and Business Development at Synergy Quantum in the United Kingdom, helping build strategic partnerships within the global quantum ecosystem. He has also worked as Senior Investment Manager at Hanwha Asset Management, where he led growth investments and portfolio management activities, including Nasdaq-related investments and M&A exits.

"Quantum computing is entering a new stage where technical leadership must be matched by financial scale, strategic execution, and global market credibility," said Hwang. "Qunova has established itself as one of the most exciting quantum software companies globally through its breakthrough achievements around Industrial Quantum Advantage. I am excited to help accelerate the company's growth, strengthen its strategic partnerships, and build long-term value for shareholders and customers."

Mr. Kang joins Qunova as a Business Development Executive, bringing more than 20 years of experience in the pharmaceutical industry leading technology commercialization and strategic partnerships. Prior to joining Qunova, he worked in pharmaceutical R&D and business roles at SK Chemicals and LG Chem, where he established strategic partnerships and supported the development and commercialization of innovative drug programs.

At Qunova, Mr. Kang will lead business development and strategic collaborations with global pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies. He will translate high-value drug discovery challenges into commercial opportunities and integrate Qunova's quantum computing solutions into pharmaceutical R&D workflows to enable better-informed decisions and accelerate the discovery of novel therapeutics.

Mr. Kyoung joins Qunova as a Business Development Executive focusing on materials science, computational fluid dynamics (CFD), and optimization solutions. He brings nearly three decades of experience from Hyundai Motor Company's R&D Division, where he served in numerous senior engineering and leadership roles. Most recently, he led Hyundai's Computational Materials Research Team. Prior to that, he served as a Global R&D Expert in Materials Simulation and as a Senior Research Engineer specializing in FEM and CFD technologies. He will collaborate with new partners to deliver Qunova's quantum-enhanced solutions across the automotive, manufacturing, advanced materials and engineering sectors.

This expansion of Qunova's executive team reflects the company's strategic focus on scaling commercialization efforts while further enhancing its product offering, thereby strengthening its position as a global leader in quantum software.

About Qunova Computing
Founded in 2021, Qunova Computing builds algorithms designed to bring a business advantage to early adopters of quantum computing. These algorithms have been tested with leading quantum hardware companies and research institutes, and results indicate Qunova can deliver a quantum advantage for users, even using Noisy Intermediate Scale Quantum computers. By using a hybrid approach and algorithms which provide a high level of accuracy, the company is unlocking the tremendous potential of quantum computing for industrial users by reducing the large numbers of trials required to develop new materials with specific properties. This will allow users to significantly reduce the time and expense related to industrial R&D processes, enabling them to bring new products to market more quickly and at a lower cost. For additional insight into our groundbreaking work, please visit qunovacomputing.com.

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