## **NINETY-ONE AND SANLAM TO JOIN FORCES**



Ninety-One, South Africa's largest asset manager, plans to acquire Sanlam Investment Management (SIM) for approximately R5 billion, pending regulatory approval. This deal would increase Ninety-One's assets under management (AUM) by R400 billion, bringing the total to R3.3 trillion.

SIM, currently wholly owned by Sanlam Investment Holdings, will become a subsidiary of Ninety-One after the acquisition. Additionally, Sanlam will appoint Ninety-One as the permanent investment manager for its Sanlam Investments UK unit and will invest as an anchor in Ninety-One's international credit strategies.

This deal not only signifies a significant step for Ninety–One in expanding its portfolio but also highlights the ongoing trend of consolidation in the asset management sector in South Africa.

## ATLAS COPCO GROUP ACQUIRES AUTOMATIVE INTEGRATED QUALITY SOLUTIONS SUPPLIER

The acquisition of VisionTools Bildanalyse Systeme GmbH by Atlas Copco marks an enhancement to the company's offerings in smart integrated assembly solutions, particularly within the motor vehicle industry. By integrating VisionTools' expertise in quality control systems, Atlas Copco aims to bolster its capabilities in delivering advanced assembly technology to automotive manufacturers.

Founded in 1986 and based in Waghäusel, Germany, VisionTools specialises in the development and sale of innovative quality control solutions tailored for the automotive sector. The company's focus on installation and customisation of these systems aligns well with Atlas Copco's commitment to providing comprehensive assembly solutions, enabling better quality assurance and operational efficiency for its clients.

This acquisition positions Atlas Copco to leverage VisionTools' established presence and technological advancements in smart systems, enhancing its portfolio within the Industrial Technique business area and reinforcing its commitment to delivering cuttingedge solutions in the competitive automotive market.



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## STRYKER UNVEILS OCULAN LIGHTING PLATFORM TO ENHANCE SURGICAL EXPERIENCE



Stryker, a global leader in medical technologies, has recently launched the Oculan Lighting Platform – an innovative solution designed to enhance the surgical experience for both healthcare professionals and patients. This platform improves illumination and visibility in the operating room, which is crucial for ensuring precision and safety during surgical procedures.

The Oculan Lighting Platform is equipped with advanced lighting technology featuring adjustable brightness and customisable patterns, which help reduce shadows and improve visibility in complex procedures. Additionally, the platform may include integrated cameras and visualisation tools for real-time monitoring and documentation.

This innovation promotes better surgical outcomes and efficiency, aligning with Stryker's commitment to advancing surgical technology and enhancing patient care in a rapidly evolving healthcare landscape.