## Acronyms and abbreviations

ABL Asset-based lending
ABS Asset-backed securities

ACPR Autorité de Contrôle Prudentiel et de Résolution

ADB Asian Development Bank
AIM Alternative Investment Market
AMF Autorité des Marchés Financiers

**AUD** Australian dollar

**AWS** Austriawirtshaftsservice

**BA** Business Angel

**BAN** Business Angel Network

BUSINESS Development Bank of Canada

**BOJ** Bank of Japan

BSE Bombay Stock Exchange

CAD Canadian dollar

CFLA Canadian Finance and Leasing Association

CIP Competitiveness and Innovation Framework Programme

CIS Collective investment schemes

CONSOB Commissione Nazionale per le Società e la Borsa

CRD Capital Requirements Directive
EBAN European Business Angel Network

**EBITDA** Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization

**EBRD** European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

EC European Commission
ECB European Central Bank
EIB European Investment Bank
EIF European Investment Fund

**EU** European Union

**EUR** Euro

**EVCA** European Private Equity and Venture Capital Association

FCI Factors Chain International

FCPI Fonds Commun de Placement en Innovation

FSA Financial Services Authority

G20 Group of 20
GBP British pound

GDP Gross domestic product

**GP** General Partner

HNX Hanoi Stock Exchange

IABL Intangible asset-based lending

**IBO** Institutional buyout

IDB Inter-American Development BankIFC International Finance CorporationIMF International Monetary Fund

**IPO** Initial public offering

ICT Information and Communication Technology

IP Intellectual Property

JOBS Jump-start Our Business Startups

KOSDAQ Korean Securities Dealers Automated Quotations

KRX Korea Exchange
LBO Leveraged buyout
LP Limited Partner

LVR London Stock Exchange
LVR Loan-to-value ratio

MAI Market for Alternative Investments

MBI Management buy-in
MBO Management buyout
M&A Mergers and acquisitions
MFG Mezzanine Facility for Growth

MIFID Markets in Financial Instruments Directive

MOE Ministry of Environment

NAEC New Approached to Economic Challenges

NAFIN Nacional Financiera

NAIC National Association of Insurance Commissioners

NASDAQ National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations

NIB Nordic Investment Bank
NOMAD Nominated advisor
NSE National Stock Exchange

NVCA National Venture Capital Association

**NYSE** New York Stock Exchange

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

ORB Order Book for Retail Bonds

OTC Over-the-counter
PE Private equity

POF Purchase Order Finance
PP Private placement

PSE Philippine Stock Exchange P2P Peer-to-peer lending

**R&D** Research and development

**SAFE** Survey on the Access to Finance of Enterprises

SBA Small Business Administration

**SEC** Securities and Exchange Commission

**SET** Stock Exchange of Thailand

SME Small and medium-sized enterprise

SPV Special Purpose Vehicle
SZSE Shenzhen Stock Exchange

TRACE Transaction Reporting and Compliance Engine

TSX Toronto Stock Exchange
UCC Uniform Commercial Code

UK United Kingdom

UKLA United Kingdom Listing Authority

**US** United States

**USAID** United States Agency for International Development

USD United States dollar
VAT Value-added tax
VC Venture capital
WHR Warehouse receipts

**WPSMEE** Working Party on SMEs and Entrepreneurship



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