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Italian Venture Forum, 20 November, Torino – Italy

**Europe Unlimited presents
the final programme and selected presenting companies**

Brussels, 31 October 2013 - Europe Unlimited and its partners Camera di Commercio Industria Artigianato e Agricoltura di Torino, Unioncamere Piemonte, I3P and Enterprise Europe Network are pleased to announce the **third edition of the Italian Venture Forum** taking place in **Torino, Italy on the 20th of November 2013**, which will showcase Italian best innovative companies in ICT, Clean technologies and Life Sciences.

Around 50 emerging entrepreneurs coming from Piemonte and all over Italy have been selected from a pool of over 90 companies to present their innovations, developments and needs in front of an investor jury of about 40 business angels, venture capitalists, corporate investors and other industry experts.

Programme

The Italian Venture Forum's unique programme allows business networking at the highest level, from **discussion panels** and **in-depth discussion groups** via **presentations of fast growing companies** to private, pre-arranged **One2One meetings** for serious business.

During the opening panel discussion session experienced Venture Capitalists such as Pietro Strada from Torch Partners and Sergio Zocchi from United Ventures will highlight where the opportunities and challenges lie in the venture investment landscape in Italy. Among others, Cristiano Esclapon from SiamoSoci will also take part to the discussion and highlight the potentials of Crowdfunding.

To view the detailed programme of the day:

http://e-unlimited.com/events/view.aspx?events_pages_id=1818

48 best most promising early stage companies

The **48 most promising early stage companies** operating in the technology spectrum of ICT, Life Sciences and Clean Technologies based in Piemonte and Italy have been selected from a pool of over 90 candidates to present their business in front of a jury of **40 venture capitalists, corporate representatives and other industry experts**. The best 12 benchmarked companies will be awarded at the end of the Forum and continue to European Venture Summit.

You can view the list of presenting companies and their profile at the link:

http://e-unlimited.com/events/view.aspx?events_pages_id=1940



The **Investor Jury** includes - among others - investors from *Paua Ventures, GlaxoSmithKline, Sofinnova Partners, the Dow Chemical Company, Total Energy Ventures, Triangle Venture Capital, United Ventures* and *360° Capital Partners*.

You can view the full list of Jury Members and their biographies at the link:

http://e-unlimited.com/events/view.aspx?events_pages_id=1885

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Note to the editors

About Europe Unlimited

[E-Unlimited](http://www.e-unlimited.com) is a private Brussels-based champion in entrepreneurship support. E-Unlimited is the organization behind the [European Venture Contest](#), Europe's most effective contest for technology entrepreneurs seeking international venture capital; the [International Venture Club](#), a global collaborative network of independent, corporate and institutional investors; the [TechTour](#), Europe's leading platform for growth stage entrepreneurs and investors; and several other [pan-European initiatives](#) in collaboration with regional and national development bodies and the European Commission.

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About the European Venture Contest

The European Venture Contest finds, evaluates and awards the most promising entrepreneurs in the high technology sector by providing access to top-level international partners, advisors and financiers. The Contest reaches this year its 9th edition, and in the past years gathered over 800 companies and 600 venture capitalist and corporate investors from all over Europe. The top 100 companies awarded at the qualifier events will present in December at the European Venture Summit in front of an audience of 150 top European investors.

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