



51 companies from the Alpine region have been selected to showcase their high-growth strategy!

Alpine Venture Forum, May 6th in Lausanne

Brussels, April 9th, 2014 – Europe Unlimited announced today the 51 companies from Switzerland and surrounding regions who will present their innovative products in the high technology sectors on May 6th in Lausanne.

The Alpine Venture Forum, this year at its third edition, is hosted by Canton de Vaud with the main aim to **promote a dynamic and professional image of innovative entrepreneurship and venture capital of the Alpine area to the rest of Europe**. Jury members have now selected 51 of the best entrepreneurs in web, mobile, healthcare, biotech, and renewable materials, who will have match-making opportunities with the 50+ international venture capital and corporate investors attending.

The Alpine Venture Forum selected companies

With the collaboration of a network of regional incubators and associations (CleantechAlps, Business Angels Suisse, Innovaud, Micronarc, VentureKick), more than 100 companies have applied for a chance to present at the 2014 Alpine Venture Forum. The AVF Advisory Board members and selection team took effort to identify the 51 entrepreneurs to come pitch their business proposals at the Forum. All pitching CEOs have also been invited to a coaching session to prepare for their pitch session on May 5th at the PSE at EPFL.

The Jury includes – among others - investors from TIME Equity Partners (FR) ; Prime Ventures (NL); Medtronic (CH); Go4Venture (GB); Inventages Venture Capital (GB) ; Oracle (CH), Aster Capital (FR); Emerald Technology Ventures(CH) ; Finindus NV (BE).

Programme and speakers

The programme of the event will showcase keynote presentations from major players in the field. The opening panel, moderated by Jean-Michel Deligny from Go4Ventures, will address the topic on 'How to successfully raising funds to go into growth and exit strategy'. Successful entrepreneurs, such as Mehdi Jacques Aminian from Jilion and Patrick Berdoz from Precimed Group, will share with the audience their business strategies and know-how, alongside with recommendations from Paer Lange from Swisscom AG and Lutz Nolte from CTI Startup & Entrepreneurship, who will be debating with the attendees and entrepreneurs how to best approach VCs, corporates and local authorities to raise funds.

To view the list of selected companies please visit:

http://e-unlimited.com/events/view.aspx?events_pages_id=2872

For a full list of Jury Members and their biographies, visit:

http://e-unlimited.com/events/view.aspx?events_pages_id=2751

Registration

Delegates can register for the event online at:

http://e-unlimited.com/register/register.aspx?events_id=570



Event Website: www.e-unlimited.com/AVF

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## **Note to the editors**

### **About Europe Unlimited**

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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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