#### The Top 25 Award Winners of the European Venture Contest announced

Over 100 VCs, CVCs and business angels chose the Top 25 emerging companies of the European Venture Contest 2013 at the continent's biggest venture market place, the European Venture Summit (EVS).

120 award winners from Europe Unlimited's 2013 forums and contests were invited to pitch at the EVS and the Top 25 were awarded.

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The 7<sup>th</sup> edition of the European Venture Summit (EVS), which took place on 9 & 10 December at the Congress Center Düsseldorf, united 120 upcoming entrepreneurs and 150 investors and industry representatives for a 2-day pitching, networking and idea-sharing spree. These 120 promising companies were filtered from over 800 applications and 500 pitches held throughout Europe Unlimited's 2013 calendar. Jury of investors at the Summit included Earlybird Venture Capital, Entrepreneurs Fund, Acton Capital, Castrol InnoVentures, Evonik Venture Capital, Gilde Healthcare Partners, DSM Venturing, Inventages Venture Capital, Boehringer Ingelheim, Oracle, PHS Fund, NGN Capital, Salus Partners, Aster Capital, BASF Venture Capital, Greencoat Capital, KLM, Robert Bosch Venture Capital, MAHLE Group, Sofinnova, Syngenta Ventures, Total Energy Ventures, Creathor Venture, T-Venture, and E.ON.

After speaking at the European Venture Summit, Svenja Schulze, Minister of Innovation Science and Research of the German State of North Rhine-Westphalia, commented: "We can and will no longer afford to see outstanding ideas and research findings originate in Europe, only then to be starved of adequate funding."

#### **Top25 Award Winners selection process**

The 120 presenting companies at the European Venture Summit were invited as the top rated companies of the European Venture Contest, selected over a series of regional or sector—focused qualifying events which composes the Contest. These 120 companies were reviewed online and onsite by investors and the investor jury on 7 criteria. The Top 25 winners got the highest review ratings following the online screening and onsite pitches.

Europe Unlimited along with the hosts, the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Research of the German State of North Rhine-Westphalia and the City of Düsseldorf, congratulate the following 25 EVS award winners and wish them all the best:

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# **Cleantech Winners**

- AlXaTech Germany
- Arsizio Sweden
- DeVeTec Germany
- GreenPocket Germany
- MicroShade Denmark
- Sefaira United Kingdom
- Sol Voltaics Sweden
- Windar Photonics Denmark

#### **ICT Winners**

- EvoMob Germany
- Hello World Mobile Denmark
- Hicare Research Italy
- iVote Macedonia
- nCentric Belgium
- Passnfly Denmark
- Right Brain Interface Belgium
- Transmetrics Bulgaria
- ViaLight Communications GmbH Germany

# **Life Sciences Winners**

- Acuity Medical Europe Germany
- Aniona Denmark
- InfanDx Germany
- Lipopharma Therapeutics Spain
- Medical Adhesive Revolution Germany
- Neos Surgery Spain
- Rhinix Denmark
- Teicos Pharma Finland

## **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, this year in its 9th edition, gathered over 800 companies and 600 venture capitalist and corporate investors from all over Europe. The Top 120 companies awarded at the qualifier events present at the European Venture Summit and Top 25 are awarded. <a href="www.e-unlimited.com/evc">www.e-unlimited.com/evc</a>





# **About the European Venture Summit**

The European Venture Summit was organised at the Congress Centre Düsseldorf and hosted by the City of Düsseldorf and the Ministry of Innovation, Science and Research of the German State of North Rhine Westphalia. The European Venture Summit was sponsored by NRW.Bank, Mobicap Ventures, and DealMarket and supported by BondPR and EMMINVEST.

### **About the Organiser**

Founded in Brussels in 1998, privately-owned Europe Unlimited S.A. provides event and online matching platforms between emerging innovative companies and investors across Europe and its regions, sectors and stages, notably brought together in the European Venture Contest (in its 9<sup>th</sup> edition this year). Our clients are governments, public-private clusters, corporate and financial investors as well as advisory firms. www.e-unlimited.com

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