



# Tech and Innovation Ecosystems in Europe

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## WHAT WILL WE TALK ABOUT TODAY?

- 1. Introducing FFA
- 2. European Tech and Innovation Development
- 3. Factors for Developments
- 4. 20 Impactful Startup Ecosystems















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## Introducing Fast Forward Advisors





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## Introducing Fast Forward Advisors



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Worked with 40 incubators worldwide
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renowned top conferences



## We provide Innovation and Growth consulting services for leaders who aim to design and create the future

















We have been working with 25+ accelerators, incubators and innovation centers in Europe, helping them and their entrepreneurs in a wide range of topics.

We successfully supported 1000+ startups in

these programs with on-site activities

(remote 1-1 mentoring)

(mentoring, workshops) as well as online











































## Steady increase in equity funding

Equity funding is €25B in 2017

 Almost 500% increase from a mere €4.3B raised in 2012.

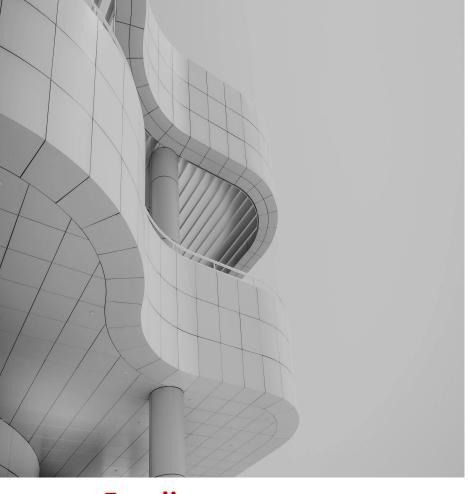
If tech startup funding keeps increasing at this rate, in another five years funding levels will reach almost €150B











#### Deal size is on the rise

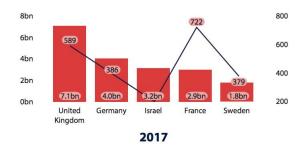
Investment volume drastically increased, while the number of deals fell by 1.7% to 3398 (2016), so 2017 saw larger deals:

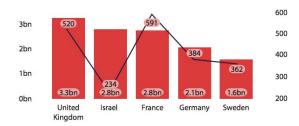
- 26 deals worth €100M or more, a 108% increase over 2016, which had only 13 such deals.
- 51.6% increase in the number of deals between €20M- €100M
- 30% increase in deals between €5M €20M,
   and a 7% increase in deals worth €1M €5M.





## Most significant growth: UK, Germany, France & Sweden





2016

2017: UK & Germany led the way in tech funding volumes:

- UK: nearly €4B increase in funding over 2016, despite Brexit
- Germany: tech funding volume reached €4B.
   Two major rounds for Delivery Hero amounted to almost €1.1B







### Drop in overall number of M&A transactions & exit volume

Compared to previous years, M&A activity was slow in 2017

- Number of exit transactions fell to 610, down from 657 in 2016 and 717 in 2015
- Overall transaction value took a greater dip mainly due to the fact that few large deals were disclosed
- The number of VC-backed exits decreased by 27% from 296 to 218







### However, it is not something of concern because:

A lot of deals are disclosed (disclosure rate: 26%)

There are a lot of big acquisitions in 2016 compared to 2017:

- Acquisition of the UK's ARM Group by SoftBank in 2016 for €28.8B accounted for 25% of total exit volume that year.
- Largest deal for 2017 was Intel's acquisition of Mobileye for €13.4B, followed by Delivery Hero's IPO for €4.5B.





## Sweden & Germany lead in the number of exits

Sweden showed the most exit activity in 2017 with 120 deals - up from just 55 in 2016.

Germany came in second for number of exits with 112, up from 108 in 2016, with 45 VC-backed deals.

 Greatest exit volume with the acquisition of telecom company Drillisch, and major IPOs for Delivery Hero and HelloFresh.







### A record year for IPOs

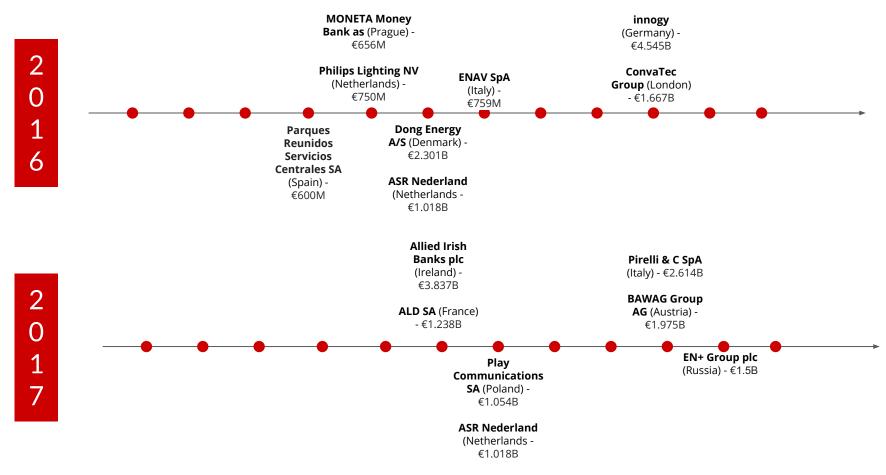
There were 36 IPOs in 2017, up from 26 in 2016 and 32 in 2015 IPOs comprised over €8 billion of total exit volume in 2017

#### The US remains top acquirer

- US-based companies continued to be the main acquirers of their overseas counterparts, accounting for 28.23% of the region's total acquisitions.
- However, in most countries, the majority of acquisitions are by other companies within the same country
- The US may lose ground to Asian firms as they continue to invest heavily in European tech startups.













## Startup-friendly regulations & initiatives

## (Europe) Fintech: Payment Services Directive (PSD2):

 Forces European banks to give access to raw account data through APIs and allows third-party vendors to initiate payments for customers

(UK) £2.5B Patient Capital Fund & Startup Visa







### Take more advantages of levers

Competition for talent has driven up costs ⇒ Many founders decide to stay locally or build distributed teams

Therefore, city authorities continue to take advantage of their levers:

- Denmark: calibrates its tax legislation, linked to its green energy policies
- London: Startup Visa
- Paris: makes their city accessible and feasible to tech development



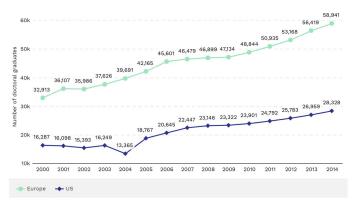


#### Government

#### Selected investment rounds raised by European deep tech companies in 2017

Company	Round size	Lead investor(s)	Round date
Graphcore	\$50M	Sequoia Capital	Nov 2017
Ada Health	\$47M	Access Industries	Oct 2017
MessageBird	\$60M	Accel, Atomico	Oct 2017
Shift Technology	\$28M	Accel	Oct 2017
FiveAl	\$35M	Lakestar	Sep 2017
Lilium	\$90M	Tencent	Sep 2017
Sophia Genetics	\$30M	Balderton	Sep 2017
Improbable	\$500M	Softbank Vision Fund	Jun 2017
Unity	\$400M	Silver Lake	May 2017
Babylon Health	\$60M	Kinnevik	Apr 2017

Talent - Number of doctoral graduates in STEM fields per year by region



#### Talent

### Strong pipeline of world-class talent

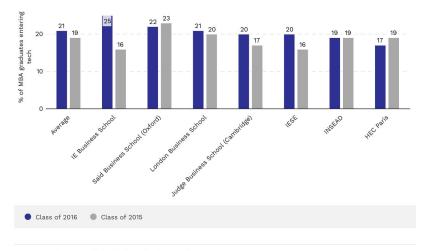
Home to ½ of top 10 computer science institutions in the world

A leading source of doctoral-level technical talent:

 Number of PhDs in STEM-subject graduates from European universities = 2x those from the USA



#### % of MBA graduates entering tech industry from selected leading European business schools



Source: Business School MBA Graduate Employment Reports

## Big pool of commercial-minded talent

1 in 5 graduates of MBA programmes from Europe's leading business schools are entering tech industry







## Growing and highly-engaged tech communities

Europe's tech community enjoys access to plenty of events:

- 172 tech-related events daily on Meetup's platform
- These communities are highly active

## Community





#### European Tech Ecosystem Rankings used:

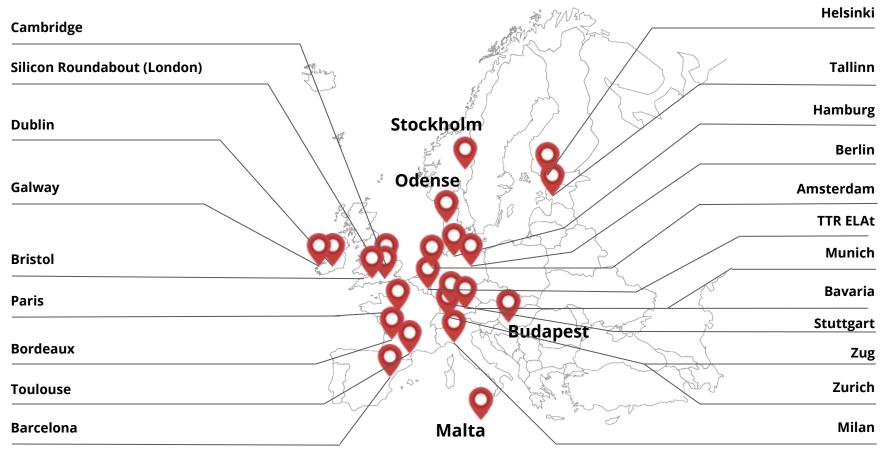
- European Digital City Index 2016: describes how well different European cities support digital entrepreneurship.
- Startup Blink: ranks more than 125 countries and 950 cities according to their startup ecosystem strength

#### List of 25 most impactful European ecosystems:

1. Crypto Valley	6. Silicon Fen	11. Stuttgart	16. Galway	21. Malta
2. Silicon Roundabout	7. Bristol	12. Paris	17. Odense	22. Barcelona Tech City
3. Helsinki	8. Hamburg	13. French Tech Bordeaux	18. StartupDelta	23. Budapest
4. Silicon Allee	9. Insurtech Hub	14. IoT Valley	19. Zurich	24. Stockholm
5. TTR ELAt	10. Bavaria	15. Silicon Docks	20. Milan	25. Tallinn







European ecosystem map



#### Overview

- 1. Every major city has its own startup ecosystem (1000 ecosystems in Europe)
- 2. Common market gives tech and innovation businesses the ease of labour and founding companies everywhere within the EU
- 3. Small ecosystems tend to famous for a small amount of sectors, while big and established ecosystems have a variety of sectors within it
- 4. All of them develop as a community, and receive support from various stakeholders
- 5. Distinctive features of each city/country gives each ecosystem its own strengths but also poses some challenges
- 6. Deep tech continues to thrive in many ecosystems



### Deep tech

Total venture capital investments hit \$127B last year, with 50% related to software development

Steep increase in Deep Tech investment from €0.4 billion to €2.3 billion between 2012 and 2016

Reasons: Europe has all the elements to foster Deep Tech success:

- Academic institutions and universities
- Availability of scientific facilities, resources and services
- Direct access to a large market
- Existence of industries in which the products and services can be deployed







## Overview

#### **History & Milestones:**

2016	Zug became the first city on the world to accept bitcoin payments for tax purposes
2017	Crypto Valley announced it is launching a decentralized ethereum-based digital ID system
2018	Zug successfully completed its first test of a local blockchain-based voting system

• 5 Picks from Us: Crypto Valley
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### **Infrastructure & Projects**

## **Crypto Valley Conference on Blockchain Technology** 2018:

- Purpose: Bring together leading researchers, entrepreneurs, startups and established companies share & discuss developments in the Blockchain Technology ecosystem
- 650 attendees, 40 business speakers, 30,000 blockchain challenges and 20 satellite events

#### **Blockchain Summit 2017:**

- Small talk and panel discussion related to blockchain
- 800 attendees all over the world, 60 speakers on the main stage and 30 startups presented their projects in the Startup Hall





### Successful Startups/Scaleups

#### **Ethereum:**

- A blockchain-based platform supporting self-executing contracts
- Reached market capitalisation of around \$1B after pre-sale
- During its 42 days of ICO, Ethereum raised \$18M the most funded ICO at the time



#### **Advanon:**

- Online platform allowing SMEs to finance their open invoices directly through investors (average 5 minutes)
- Wide investor base (450 investors)
- Prizes: VentureKick I, II & III, Working Capital Award (Swiss Bank Postfinance)
   and top 4 Fintech Startups in Switzerland







## **Stakeholders**

Education Bodies	Institutions	Accelerators/Incubators
Lucerne University of Applied  Sciences and Arts  The Department of Computer Science cooperates with many Blockchain companies and organizations  Researchers support companies	<ul> <li>Crypto Valley Association:         <ul> <li>Purpose: Build the world's leading ecosystem for blockchain and cryptography</li> <li>Work:                 <ul> <li>Support startups and established businesses</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	An accelerator & venture capital firm offering investment, financing and advisory services for blockchain-enabled businesses
in R&D process by Blockchain	<ul> <li>Host industry events</li> <li>Connect Crypto Valley with other international centers of blockchain innovation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Waves Lab:         <ul> <li>A blockchain tech incubator,</li> <li>providing support for pre-ICO</li> <li>projects</li> </ul> </li> </ul>









#### Overview

#### Ranking:

- #3 worldwide and #1 in Europe in Startup Ecosystem Rankings by Startup Blink
- #1 in European Digital City Index 2016

#### **History & Milestones:**

- 11/2010: Former PM David Cameron planed to help accelerate the growth of the cluster in speech given in East London
  - 5 Picks from Us: Silicon Roundabout



#### **Infrastructure & Projects**

#### **Campus London:**

- Google's free space for London's startup community
- Campus Residency

#### **IdeaLondon Campus London:**

 Post-accelerator center for startups & entrepreneurs

#### **London Tech Week:**

- 5 days, 40,000 attendees from 70 countries
- Learn & showcase every imaginable tech

#### **Wework Old Street:**

 Home to entrepreneurs working on early-stage ideas & established businesses to expand

#### **Second Home Spitalfields:**

 Connected community from: charities, corporates, creative businesses and innovators

#### **Hardware Pioneers**

 Hosts free monthly meetups featuring guest speakers in IoT & gives feedbacks for startups

5 Picks from Us: Silicon Roundabout



#### **Successful Startups/Scaleups**

### TransferWise

- Specializes on money transfer service
- Valued at \$1B after 4-year launching
- Has attracted investment from Silicon

### Revolut

- Digital banking alternative, including pre-paid debit card, currency exchange and peer-to-peer payments
- 2M customers in Europe
  - Has just raised a Series C
     investment round of \$250M
     and is now valued at \$1.7B



- A P2P lending marketplace
- Raised \$413.2M from investors (Accel, Rocket Internet, Index Ventures, Baillie Gifford
- 2018: Raised \$395.85M in a
   London IPO and is valued at
   \$2.64B

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#### Stakeholders: Education



Science and Enterprise Park
Loughborough University &
University College London

Home to 75
 organisations (2,000
 people) from high-tech
 startups to R&D division
 of global companies



**Accelerator London** *London Metropolitan University* 

- Provides support, advice, networks and resources for startups
- Programs: Launchpad,
   The Big Idea Challenge,
   1-2-1 Business Advice





#### Stakeholders: Education



#### Imperial White City Incubator

*Imperial College London* 

 Hub for innovation & entrepreneurship, providing office, lab space & support for early-stage company



#### **The Hatchery**

University College London

- Free space for startups & new enterprises
- Business support & mentoring from business advisors
- Access to programs & events





#### Stakeholders: Institutions

#### **Innovation Warehouse**

City of London Corporation

- Founded in 2010 as a community for digital high-growth startups in London
- Everyday, 200 entrepreneurs, angels and mentors work together in the coworking space

#### **Tech City Investment Organisation**

 Attracts inward investment, and support companies in the cluster to expand into international markets









#### **Stakeholders: Accelerators / Incubators / Investors**

#### Seedcamp (SC):

- Early-stage & micro-seed funding to 650 entrepreneurs from 150 startups
- Since 8/2017: SC-backed companies raised \$900M

#### **RocketSpace:**

 Supports scaleups with industry-focused expertise and partnership opportunities

#### **Entrepreneur First:**

- Pre-team stage incubator
- Invests in creative & ambitious IT graduates
- 6-month programme

#### **Startupbootcamp:**

- 3-month accelerated development program to early-stage insurance & financial startups
- Since 2010, invested in 450 startups (€240m)

#### **Techstars:**

- Supported 1,024 companies (raised \$3.8B)
- Global network of mentors & corporate partners, 3 months of office space & 400 other perks

#### JLAB:

- Platform for startups (retail, healthcare, IoT & supply chain)
- 12-week program then access to capital investment of John Lewis Partnership

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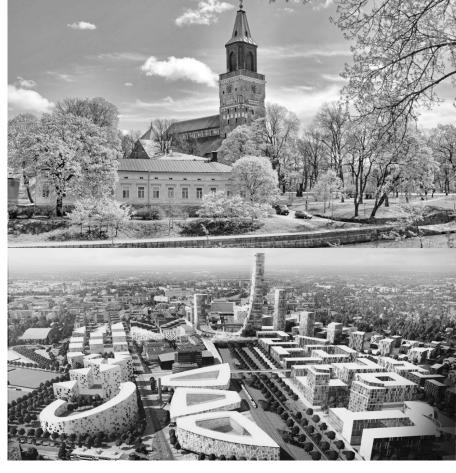


#### Overview

**Ranking:** #62 worldwide and #18 in Europe in Startup Ecosystem Rankings by Startup Blink

#### Satellite area: Turku

- 30 game companies, 3 higher education institutions (programming-focused degree in game development) and Turku Arts Academy (#2 in the world)
- Active game developers' community by Turku Science Park, Turku Game Lab and SparkUp accelerator







#### **Infrastructure & Projects**



- **2017**: 2,600 startups, 1,600 investors and 600 journalists from 130 countries
- Past 7 years: Has grown from 300-person gathering to a global community organizing 75 events with 40,000 attendees
- Global community events in Helsinki, Tokyo, Shanghai and Singapore, and expanding more



- A part of the biggest hackathon in Europe
- Impressive numbers: 6,000 community members, 1,800 selected participants, 50 challenges, 200 solutions, 100 industry partners, 200 mentors, 50 volunteers and 20 organizers





#### **Infrastructure & Projects**







#### **Microsoft Flux:**

- Finnish startup community
- Gives startups access to free network, high tech devices, coaches and networking events

#### **Turku Game Lab** (*University of Turku x Turku University of Applied Sciences*):

 Joint working environment, providing services in game education & development, using latest technical advancements

#### **Oulu Game Lab (***university of Applied Sciences***):**

- Unique Training & Development Program tailored to the gaming industry
- Supports development of Game prototypes/products and startups





#### Successful Startups/Scaleups



Blueprint Genetics

A mobile gaming company

2010: Received \$5.8M investment from Tekes

2016: acquired by Tencent (total value: \$9.26B)

A genetic diagnostics company

2017: Received \$16.28M - 4 investor groups

Work with 450 hospitals - 40 countries





#### Stakeholders: Education

#### **Aalto Startup Center** (*Aalto University*):

- Runs a 1-2-year Business Generator Program for startup in Espoo, Finland
- Provides early-stage startups with advice, coaching, communal workspaces and networking and fundraising opportunities

#### Hanken Business Lab (Hanken School of Economics):

 A new form of incubator to help startups, scale-ups and NPOs & individuals to achieve significant growth

#### **StartUp School** (Haaga-Helia University of Applied Sciences):

• Offers courses for students interested in entrepreneurship & supports students who already have businesses

#### 5 Picks from Us: Helsinki



#### Stakeholders: Institutions

#### **EIT's Knowledge and Innovation Communities:**

- Partnerships between businesses, research centers and universities
- Focuses on climate change, healthy living & active ageing

#### **Helsinki Business Hub:**

- Enables foreign companies to establish their businesses & innovation-driven companies to grow Helsinki region
- Designs growth opportunities free of charge and based on full confidentiality

#### Finnvera:

 Provides funding for startups and supports in growth, internationalization and protection against export risks

#### **Business Finland:**

• Enables companies to grow internationally

#### NewCo Helsinki:

 Supports entrepreneurs in the beginning of their businesses & when they are seeking growth







#### **Stakeholders: Accelerators / Incubators / Investors**

**Vendep Startup Accelerator:** provides funding, refine business models and help startups acquire customers

**NewCo Helsinki Accelerator:** Growth support - 1-to-1 business advisory program

**Startup Journey:** 10-week program for teams - offers coaching

5 Picks from Us: Helsinki





#### **Stakeholders: Accelerators / Incubators / Investors**

**Vertical Accelerator:** the first Nordic digital health & wellness startup accelerator (4-month program x 2/year) - access to 200 world class mentors

**Kaira Accelerator:** Founded by Avanto Ventures. Connects startups with top experts in the field & helps embrace AI by building actual business cases & by developing startups' competence

5 Picks from Us: Helsinki





#### Overview

#### **History & Milestones:**

- Began in 2011 as a monthly meetup for startups to connect and share ideas
- 2016: Joined Factory to build a space in central Berlin for the city's startup community to work, live, connect and grow
- Mission: to be the best place to experience
   Berlin tech scene & to provide Berlin startups
   with the resources and networks to gain
   meaningful international exposure







#### **Infrastructure & Projects**



#### **Silicon Allee Campus:**

7,500m2 complex with S-XL offices, apartments, cafe, craft beer bar, event spaces and other hidden gems

#### **Factory Berlin Görlitzer Park:**

- Home to a thriving community
- 14,000m2, 5 floors and can accommodate
   1,000 members



5 Picks from Us: Silicon Allee



#### **Successful Startups/Scaleups**

#### **N26**:

- A mobile bank
- Grew from 500,000 to 1M customers in Europe in 9 months
- Generates \$1.17B in transaction volume every month
- Plans to have 5M users by 2020

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#### Relayr:

- Rapidly-growing IoT company, providing enterprise middleware
   & IoT solutions for digital transformation of industries
- Completed 3 series funding rounds, raising £50M







#### Stakeholders: Education

**HU's start-up service:** Support development of business ideas & show possibilities for implementation for university startups

Humboldt Universität zu Berlin (HU) **Business Plan Competition Berlin-Brandenburg:** Supports businesses in business plan evaluation - 3 phrases of competition (€50,000 prize)

**EXIST Gründerstipendium:** promotes startups with €143,000 for one year for livelihood, material expenditure and coaching

**Berlin Startup Scholarship:** 2-4 founders are funded/startup project, and fellows receive €2,000/month (6 months) + infrastructure access

5 Most Impactful Ecosystems: Silicon Allee



#### Stakeholders: Education

**Profund Innovation:** supports finding appropriate financing options & aid programs

**EXIST-Forschungstransfer:** Provides aid to outstanding research-based startup projects (expensive & high-risk ones)

Freie Universität Berlin

**Research to Market Challenge:** Competition for research-based product & business ideas (€9,000 prize)

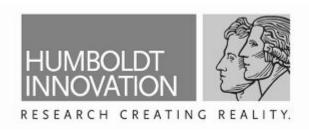
**EXIST-Gründerstipendium:** supports students, graduates, researchers that are not affiliated with academia to implement startup ideas

5 Most Impactful Ecosystems: Silicon Allee



#### Stakeholders: Institutions





#### **German Startups Association:**

- Builds bridges between global startup hubs, nations and continents
- Undertake research and foster international exchange (startup tours to New York, Tel Aviv and Silicon Valley)

#### **Humboldt-Innovation GmbH:**

- Wholly-owned subsidiary, and knowledge and technology transfer office of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin
- Acts as a liaison between university and industries





#### Stakeholders: Accelerators / Incubators / Investors

#### **Berlin Startup Academy:**

- 120 of Berlin's most experienced CEOs & investors
- Helps to turn an idea to a startup & brings entrepreneurial drive to the enterprise

#### **Rocket Internet:**

- Leverage proprietary processes to build market-leading companies from scratch
- Incubates 100 companies on 6 continents total valuation: \$34,88B

#### Plug and Play Tech Center:

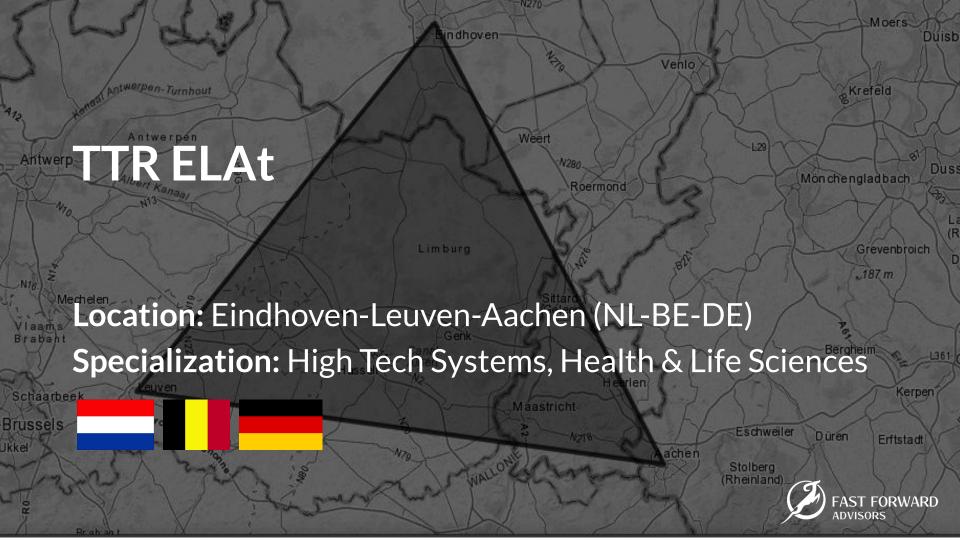
- A network startup accelerator & corporate innovation platform
- Runs 2 programs/year in each industry & location
- 220 corporate partners & 200 VCs

#### hubraum:

- Tech incubator of Deutsche Telekom
- Brings early-stage startups and leading
   European telco together
- Since 2012: Connects with its digital ecosystem in Krakow and Tel Aviv

#### 5 Most Impactful Ecosystems: Silicon Allee





#### Overview

#### Ranking:

- Leuven: 1 of the 12 most innovative European cities (nominated by European Commission)
- Eindhoven: Highest density of patent applications in the world (Forbes)

#### **History & Milestones:**

- The area in which TTR-ELAt is located: long history of cross-border policy efforts (since 1970s)
- 2009: The TTR-ELAt was launched as the merger of 2 initiatives TTR and ELAt
  - 2004: TTR was established in recognition of the role of SE Netherlands for technology-led growth, and subsequently enlarged through collaboration with neighbouring countries
  - o 2004: ELAt was an initiative of mayors from 3 cities. Soon joined by local & regional actors



#### **Infrastructure & Projects**

#### Top Technology Cluster

 A joint cross-border initiative to support technology-oriented companies, especially SMEs, in finding the right partners & establishing sustainable cooperation between companies across borders

# Cross-border Cluster Stimulation

- Grants for cross-border R&D projects involving SMEs (\$5,46M innovation fund)
- \$116,000 -\$290,000/project
- Result: 3 calls for proposals with 22 cross-border R&D projects selected (\$15.33M invested)

#### Aachener Innovations Platform

- An open networking conference (RWTH Technology & Innovation Management Institute)
  - Discuss upcoming ideas & trends in innovation, R&D & new technologies in established companies

5 Most Impactful Ecosystems: TTR ELAt



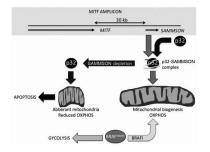
#### Successful Startups/Scaleups



- Leuven-based biomedical company innovative local treatments for damaged
   & osteoarthritic joints
- Valued \$192M at IPO and later acquired by Takeda Pharmaceutical for €520M



- Display manufacturing company, developing electro-wetting displays in the Netherlands
- Raised a total of \$45M in funding (4 rounds) & acquired by Amazon in 2013



- VIB scientists Leuven & researchers from UGent revealed a non-coding RNA gene called SAMMSON
- Paved the way for improved diagnostic tools & skin cancer treatment





#### Stakeholders: Education



#### **KU Leuven:**

- Europe's most innovative university (Reuters)
- Annual research spending: \$422.36M



#### **KU Leuven R&D Transfer cell:**

- Facilitates collaborative & contract research & develops science parks and incubators
- Creates 100 high-tech companies
   (3,000 people employed)



# Eindhoven University of Technology:

- Incubates 30
   knowledge-intensive startups
   every year
- 11 knowledge institutes & 54 research facilities



#### **RWTH Aachen:**

- Annual RWTH Aachen Innovation
   Award
- Industry 4.0 Executive Education Disruptive Innovation and
   Intrapreneurship program
- RWTH Start-Up





#### **Stakeholders: Institutions**

#### **Interuniversity Microelectronics Centre (Leuven):**

- Europe's largest independent research centre in microelectronics
- Is becoming increasingly active in nano-electronics & bio-silicon
- Helps attract talents & creates collaboration opportunities in the region

#### **Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research:**

- Offers startups a free day of consulting & 50 hours of subsidized research
- Knowledge transfer programme: especially for SMEs

#### AGIT:

- AC<sup>2</sup> Innovation Award Aachen: Appreciation for special social or entrepreneurial achievements.
- AC<sup>2</sup> Startup Competition: participants are given useful tips from experts
   & former entrepreneurs on how to start a business







#### Stakeholders: Accelerators / Incubators / Investors

The KU Leuven Innovation and Incubation Centre	<ul> <li>Provides shared facilities, equipment &amp; services to new research-oriented, innovative businesses to enable them to concentrate exclusively on their core activity</li> </ul>
The Leuven Bio-Incubator	<ul> <li>Provides innovative dynamic and stimulating environment in which entrepreneurs and companies in biotechnology can develop their ideas and technologies</li> </ul>
The High Tech Campus in Eindhoven	<ul> <li>The smartest km² in The Netherlands (160 companies and institutes &amp; 11,000 researchers, developers and entrepreneurs)</li> <li>Helps startups accelerate by offering easy access to high-tech facilities and international networks.</li> </ul>







#### Silicon Fen (Cambridge, UK)

#1 in Global innovation ecosystem
1500 technology and life science companies with annual revenue of \$18.4 million
16 unicorns
350 patent applications per 100,000 residents

#### **Specialization:**

- Software
- Biotech

20 Other Ecosystems: Silicon Fen



#### **Institutions**

Startup

MRC Laboratory of Molecular Biology Pioneered techniques: DNA sequencing, methods for determining 3D structure of proteins & development of monoclonal antibodies



In 2013, raised \$4M in equity funding and \$17.5M in a series B investment round



Raised a total of \$220M from well-known names like the Wellcome Trust, the Gates Foundation, and Woodford



- An event that inspires and supports young leaders to ensure sustainability and growth of the biotechnology industry.
- Flagship event GapSummit: attracts 100 future bio-leaders and world leaders from the biotech and pharmaceutical industry





#### **Bristol (UK)**

#13 in European Digital City Index 2016
#1 in UK Smart Cities Index 2017
UK's first ever European Green Capital in 2015
UK's fastest growing tech region with 65% growth in new digital companies between 2010-2013

#### **Specialization:**

Robotics









- The most comprehensive academic centre for multi-disciplinary robotics research in the UK.
- Home to over 200 academics, researchers and industry practitioners



- Creates affordable 3D-printed bionic hands for amputees and researchers
- In 2018, raised \$2,9M, including a \$571,000 seed round.



- In 2017, closed a \$7,5M Series A investment
- Entered into a retail agreement with Apple

## Towards Autonomous Robotic Systems event

- The largest robotics conference in UK, bringing together the latest research and applications in autonomous robotics.
- 4 keynote speakers are from Bristol Robotics Laboratory







#### Hamburg (Germany)

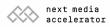
#20 in European Digital City Index 2016 500 innovative digital startups in 2014 IT industry generates about \$4.5 billion every year

#### **Specialization**:

- Gaming
- Adtech
- E-commerce

20 Other Ecosystems: Hamburg





- A six months acceleration programme for start-ups active in areas related to media, such as content for media, advertising or services.
- Intensive training and counselling, support by mentors and investors (of the accelerator).
- Investment of up to \$57,700



- A six month programme for startups to work with mentors on scalable business models in the field of e-commerce, e.g. Software Services, Marketplaces and Platforms.
- Investment of up to \$57,700



- One of the biggest developers and publishers of browser games globally.
- Has almost 50M registered users across 3 successful game titles: Tribal Wars, The West, and Grepolis.
- In 2017, raised a total of \$104M in funding over 2 round and was acquired by Modern Times Group



- One of the fastest growing eCommerce companies in Europe.
- Raised a total of \$300M in funding over 2 round
   Won several awards





### **Insurtech Hub (Munich, Germany)**

18 accelerators/incubators

50 venture and private equity companies

24 universities

16 R&D institutes

**Specialization**: Insurtech









#### **German Insurance Academy**

- Develops joint training courses for employees of the insurance industry
- Offers "Innovation in Insurance" university certificate series, which consists
  of five two-day face-to-face seminars and two online courses serving digital
  innovation in the insurance industry



#### **W1 Forward Accelerator Program**

- Access to up to 60 mentors, 13 insurance partners and further InsurTech Hub supporters
- The total funding value per start-up is \$57,700



#### FinanzChef24

 Online comparison site offering insurance solutions to small and medium enterprises as well as business owners



#### **Digital Insurance Agenda**

• The world's largest conference for digital start-ups in the InsurTech sector







# **Bavaria** (Germany)

350 companies in the field of life science 15% of German biotechnology firms 30% of the nation's biotechnological development of drugs

#### Specialization:

- Biotech and life science
- Automation

20 Other Ecosystems: Bavaria





- Manages a broad range of training sessions, events and network meetings
- Supported more than 200 start-up companies in 20 years.



# **GARAGE**

- Focus on automotive technology and urban mobility.
- Provides office space and supports in manufacturing of a prototype, and access to skills through BMW's innovation centres.



- One of the world's top ten biotech hubs.
- Offer both space and an extensive network to startups with a focus on medical biotechnology.



- Saves laboratories up to 80 hours per week and reduces the error rate by 70%
- Won the 2018 Munich Startup Award and was granted \$5,700



- Supported by the European Space Agency (ESA),
- More than 35 world-class engineers, designers and pioneers
- Raised a total of \$101.4M in funding over 2 rounds





# **Stuttgart (Germany)**

Score 51.9/60 in Urban Mobility Index (global average is 43.9)
#12 of 84 worldwide in Urban Mobility Index
Top 2 global best car sharing performance

#### **Specialization**

Mobility and automation







#### **Stakeholders**



#### University of Stuttgart Germany

The Institute of Human Factors and Technology Management IAT:

- + Built a visualization platform that emphasizes mobility processes and convenience in Stuttgart, thereby supporting mobility experiments in the reality lab.
- + Designed smartphone app for collecting mobility data.



- + Industry Focus: engineering and mobility.
- + Offers co-working spaces and a holistic support program, which includes individualised consulting components, personal mentoring through a Mobility Board of professionals and industry experts from Stuttgart region companies.



Moovel - An urban mobility startup

Used by 5 million people – an increase of 71%, adding 2 million users from 2017 to 2018

# **//blick**shift

Blickshift provides solutions and products for the analysis of car drivers' behavior

20 Other Ecosystems: Stuttgart





# Paris (France)

#10 worldwide and #3 in Europe in Startup Ecosystem Rankings by Startup Blink #5 in European Digital City Index 2016 Named European Capital of Innovation in 2017

#16 in the Global Innovation Index 2018#2 in CRBE's European Tech Cities Report in2016

#### **Specialization:**

- Fintech
- Edtech
- Healthtech

20 Other Ecosystems: Paris



#### Institutions



An economic development agency in charge of economic attractiveness, incubation & experimentation



Created the Incubator and opened La Fabrique - a FabLab dedicated to technological innovation

#### **Projects**

# STATION F

The world's largest startup campus with 35,000-square-meter

The campus includes 3000 desks in the startup zone and 26 international startup programs

#### Incubators/Accelerators



A 3-month program aims at helping startups build their products and strengthen their businesses



Startup Garage Paris A six-month-long programme for data-driven startups

#### Startups/Scaleups



An online marketplace for business loans, enabling investors to lend money directly to SMEs



Uses AI to find patterns in billions of computer mouse movements, helping businesses understand customers behavior





### French Tech Bordeaux (France)

#43 in European Digital City Index 2016

A record company creation rate at 16.9% for the last few years (number of companies created/number of companies) while the French average peaked at 12.5% in 2015

- Mobile Application
- Healthcare
- 3D Technology







#### **Institutions**



An agency promoting inward investment to Bordeaux and the Gironde, commissioned by the main public partners



Supports the creation and development of growth companies in the Bordeaux region

#### Projects



The Digital Week is the opportunity to mobilize, value and network with the actors who make live digital in Bordeaux, in France and beyond. Consists of many all-public and professional events

#### Incubators/Accelerators



Offers to startups: mentoring, funding up to € 25,000 and an office.



Provides mentoring, networks, co-working space, education, and capital to startups

#### Startups/Scaleups



Mobiles Republic specializes in the development of mobile applications based on content aggregation.



Developing gut microbiota directed drugs to target obesity and associated cardiometabolic diseases

# 20 Other Ecosystems: French Tech Bordeaux





Since 2014:

**Toulouse:** €229M funding - 83 startups

startups, 18 partners over 13,000m2

3,000 IT workers

38,000 tech workers



**Specialization:** IoT

#### **History & Milestones:**

- Created in 2009 by 4 Toulouse entrepreneurs
- Since 3/2015: Developed an ecosystem dedicated to IoT





#### **Sigfox:**

- World's leading provider of connectivity for IoT & device-to-cloud communications
- Raised €277M in funding

#### **Innovation Day:**

 A day to get inspired, experiment IoT solutions and network in IoT B2B ecosystem

#### **French Tech Toulouse:**

 Aim: Federate the collective to the benefits of startups

#### **University of Toulouse:**

 Pépite-ECRIN: accompanies students in their business projects

#### **Airbus Bizlab:**

Global aerospace
 business accelerator 6-month acceleration
 program

Startups/Scaleups

**Projects** 

**Stakeholders** 





## **Silicon Docks (Dublin, Ireland)**

#41 worldwide & #8 Europe in Startup Ecosystem Rankings by Startup Blink

#8 in European Digital City Index 2016

#### **Specialization:**

- Traveltech
- Fintech

#### **History:**

• 2011: The name "Silicon Docks" first appeared as the area came back after 2008 economic crisis







#### **Future Finance:**

- 2013: launched to fund €50B annual education finance gap
- Lent £65M to students - 105,000 applications

#### Startups/Scaleups

#### Flender:

- Peer-to-peer lending startup
- 2018: Raised \$58B in debt financing round to fund its expansion

#### **Dublin Tech Summit:**

- Europe's fastest growing tech conference
- 10,000 attendees &
   200 speakers from
   70 countries

#### **Projects**

#### **Tech Connect Live:**

 Ireland's largest annual business & tech exhibition for Micro, SME and Enterprise companies

# University College Dublin:

- 167,177m2 of science, engineering & innovation-related facilities
- NovaUCD

#### **Stakeholders**

# National Digital Research Centre

 A government sponsored accelerator for digital startups





# **Galway (Ireland)**

#2 largest exporter of Medtech products in Europe

1 of top 7 most important Medtech clusters in Europe

Home to a closely knit cluster of 300 Medtech companies

#### **Specialization:**

Medtech







#### Startups/Scaleups





Develops CapBuster - a device that treats CTO 2015: Raised \$2.56M in funding from AIB Seed Capital Fund



Establishes the BioInnovate Fellowship - a key research hub in the region, reflecting the innovative nature of Galway's Medtech culture

#### **Projects**



Parings together world's

leading business leaders &

experts on delivering better

health outcomes & new tech

N500 medtech professionals

network



Provides innovators with the resources to explore & implement tech solutions to healthcare issues

20 Other Ecosystems: Galway



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#### Startups/Scaleups

#### **Blue Ocean Robotics:**

- Mission: Bridge academic-based research to business (focus: robotics)
- Raised \$8.4M in funding (2 rounds)
- Awarded Gazelle 2017 by the Danish newspaper Børsen

#### **KUBO Robot:**

- Empowers kids to explore robotics & programming through tangible play
- Raised \$1.5M in funding (3 rounds)

#### **Projects**

#### **Odense Investor Summit:**

- Annual event gathering capital-seeking companies & investors in 1 of Europe's biggest robotic clusters
- 2018: 130 investors \$46.5M funding

#### **Syddansk Forskerparker:**

 A business fund aimed at running innovation & research park, and supporting entrepreneurship & knowledge-based industries (e/g: robotics, welfare and design)

20 Other Ecosystems: Odense





### **StartupDelta (Amsterdam, Netherlands)**

#18 worldwide & #7 in Europe in Startup EcosystemRankings by Startup Blink#3 in European Digital City Index 2016

Scores well in terms of ecosystem value - 2,900 startups - \$14B (Genome)

- Fintech
- Health & Life Sciences
- Agtech



#### Adyen:

- Founded in 2006: Offers a
   platform that enables
   retailers to accept payments
   from Visa, Mastercard and
   Amex and some alternatives
   (Apple, Google and Paypal)
- 2018: IPO €240/share valuation: \$8.3B

#### **StartupDelta Summit:**

Aim: equip startup
 ecosystem with access to
 knowledge and network,
 so that Dutch startups
 can start, expand and
 internationalise faster

#### **Rockstart:**

- 1 of Europe's first multi-vertical accelerators
- Focus: Digital Health,
   Smart Energy and Al
- Invested in more than 100 startups (raised \$52.32M)

Startups/Scaleups

Projects

Stakeholders

20 Other Ecosystems: StartupDelta



# **Zurich (Switzerland)**

#46 worldwide & #12 in Europe in Startup Ecosystem Rankings by Startup Blink

- Crypto/Blockchain
- Genomics
- Quantum Computing







#### Startups/Scaleups



- Creates cutting-edge augmented reality tech for automotive industry
- Raised \$108M in funding (3 rounds) - Revenue: \$3.5M

#### **Projects**



- 1 of the largest & most prestigious hackathons in
- 550 international participants selected from 4,800 applications

#### **Institutions**



- Non-profit, scientifically backed initiative
- Mission: generate quantitative data and insights on development of Swiss startup scene

#### **Projects**

FINANCE 2.0

Annual conference about Cryptofinance, WealthTech and InsurTech





# Milan (Italy)

#48 worldwide & #14 in Europe in Startup Ecosystem Rankings by Startup Blink

Hosts more than 20 incubators and accelerator, more than 30 coworking spaces, and over 1000 innovative enterprises

- Agtech/Foodtech
- Artificial Intelligence
- Fintech
- Tourism 2.0







#### Startups/Scaleups



- Online agricultural delivery marketplace
- Plans to link food
   e-commerce & mobile
   commerce
- Annual revenue: \$2.31M



- A smart payment platform (Services: pay in affiliated stores, exchange money with friends and saving)
- Raised \$50.8M in funding (6 rounds)

#### **Projects**



- Global Food Innovation
  Summit
- Since 2015: Has brought brightest minds in food & adtech to Milan for annual gatherings

#### **Incubators**



The Business Incubator of
Digital startups, listed on the
Italian Stock Exchange







#### Malta

#22 globally in both market reach and talentfor Gaming#1 in Europe for experienced softwareengineers

Over 300 gaming companies

- Gaming
- Adtech





#### **Stakeholders** Startups/Scaleups **Projects** World's first Founded in 2013 at Online gaming SiG MA Gaming '18 event, bringing 3 online casino University of Malta, adventure pillars in Gaming delivering Casumo (players collect industry postgraduate things, points and 12,500 attendees education in games UNIVERSITY OF MALTA Institute of Digital Games trophies in every round) Online casino 2018: 80 Malta's first tech TAKEOFF. operator participants business Received IGA across 13 teams incubator at Online Casino University of Operator of the Malta Year for 4 years





### **Barcelona Tech City (Spain)**

#17 worldwide & #6 in Europe in Startup Ecosystem Rankings by Startup Blink #9 in European Digital City Index 2016

- Gaming
- Health & Life Sciences
- Smart City







#### Startups/Scaleups

### **Projects**



Machine learning computer vision company, specializing in visual recognition for Real Estate

Top 5 hottest Al startups (Nvidia)



Helps solve urban mobility problem: make underused parking spaces accessible & reducing time drivers looking for a parking lot 2017: Raised \$1,74M





11,000m2 facility, providing space for 1,000 sector employees from 100 startups & companies Holds 15-20 events every month

- Aims to empower cities & collectivize urban innovation across the globe
- Brings together 700 citiesworldwide, 400 speakers &20,000 attendees

20 Other Ecosystems: Barcelona Tech City





# **Budapest (Hungary)**

Hungary ranks #51 in Global Cybersecurity
Commitment Index
Budapest ranks #33 in European Digital City
Index

#### **Specialization:**

Cybersecurity

#### **History:**

In 2013, the National Cyber Security
 Strategy of Hungary was adopted

20 Other Ecosystems: Budapest



#### **Education/Institutions/Infrastructure & Project**



- Various lectures in 4 faculties of NKE are related to cyber security
- Set up an academy of cyber security



- Established by Deloitte
- Link with more than 20 global centers in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia-Pacific and the Americas with 1,200 cybersecurity professionals in the EMEA region



- Hosts Cyber Security Month Campaign
- Discusses topics of the most interest from government and market players about cybersecurity

#### Startups/Scaleups



- Serves more than 300 merchants, reviewed 25 million transactions and estimated to have saved businesses around \$11,58 million.
- Raised \$695,000 in investment.



- Adopted by more than 10,000 organisations in 193 countries.
- Raised \$4.7 million from Euroventures and private investors.





# Stockholm (Sweden)

#2 in Europe Digital City Index#15 in Global Startup Ecosystem

\$4.5B investment in new companies \$1.4B investment in Stockholm-based tech companies

- Fintech
- Gaming
- Cleantech







# Klarna.

- In 2010, increased revenues by over 80% to \$54M
- In 2018, has more than 60M users
- In 2016, company valuation is more than \$2B



- More than 2M downloads
- Possesses Wonderglade, one of the highest rated games on Daydream.
- The first investment in Europe by Google Ventures.



- Operates on 7 different markets
- In 2016, was honoured by the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) as Climate Solver



- Bring together the world's leading crypto experts
- 180 Globally renowned crypto experts & 400 Companies from 19 Countries





# **Tallinn (Estonia)**

#7 in blockchain cities

#12 in Global Innovation Index 2018

#18 in European Digital City Index 2016

#50 worldwide and #15 in Europe in Startup Ecosystem

#### **Specialization:**

Blockchain

20 Other Ecosystems: Tallinn



#### **Education**

# Tallinn University of Technology:

- Workshop on Blockchains for Inter-Organizational Collaboration
- Innovation and business centre Mektory: 4450m2 of space

#### Institutions

- Collaborates with Swedbank to accelerate fintech startups
- Up to \$34,500 investment, premium access to Swedbank APIs



#### **Startups/Scaleups**

# Bondora

- Processed more than \$460M of loans applications from borrowers
- In 2016, raised \$5M from the US-based investment firm Valinor Management

#### **Projects**

- North Europe's largest cryptocurrency and blockchain conference
- 1000+ attendees and 50 speakers, including IBM, Microsoft, Bitcoin Foundation...



20 Other Ecosystems: Tallinn



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