

Media Release

Venture Leaders Technology 2019: Venturelab sends 10 Startups to Silicon Valley

Zurich/Lausanne/St. Gallen, February 5th 2019 – The Swiss National Startup Team will head to Silicon Valley in March. The roadshow will showcase Switzerland’s most-innovative technology startups to the industry’s leading investors.

Venturelab has organized international roadshows for the Swiss National Startup Team for 19 years. The ambitious entrepreneurs and their promising startups are introduced to leading investors and potential customers in technology hubs in San Francisco, Boston, New York, China and Barcelona.

This year’s Venture Leaders Technology roadshow to Silicon Valley is supported by Rothschild & Co Bank, Kellerhals Carrard, DPD, Swisscom, Canton de Vaud, EPF Lausanne and ETH Zurich. The ten innovative startups were chosen from more than 130 applicants, by a jury of professional investors and experts. The startups cover sectors ranging from agrotech and big data, to quantum technologies and the internet of things. The roadshow’s program of meetings with top-notch investors and industry leaders will accelerate the startups’ expansion into the U.S.-market and help them build global business networks.

Building on Previous Successes

For the last years U.S. investors were truly impressed by Switzerland’s high-tech startups. “Last year for example we had pitch sessions with Battery Ventures, Founders Fund and NEA, who all have several billion of assets-under-management. The investor agenda for 2019 is equally promising,” said Stefan Steiner, Venturelab’s co-managing director.

Dorina Thiess, chief executive and co-founder of Piavita, was part of the 2017 team. She won Silicon Valley investors through the Venture Leaders roadshow. “This was one of the most intense and most valuable weeks in my entrepreneurial journey so far. The network and visibility that I was able to create within this single week exceeded all my expectations.”

Several Venture Leaders Technology alumni were acquired by famous tech companies. Lemoptix and Comosyt Light Labs (both bought by Intel), Faceshift (Apple), HouseTrip (TripAdvisor), Kooaba (Qualcomm) and Dacuda (Magic Leap).

More on www.venture-leaders.ch

Swiss National Startup Team 2019 for Venture Leaders Technology:

9T Labs | Martin Eichenhofer | www.9tlabs.com | Zurich

9T Labs’ 3D carbon-fiber printing technology advances lightweight design by simplifying the use of high-performance materials.

AgroSustain | Olga Dubey | www.agrosustain.ch | Epalinges

AgroSustain is developing and commercializing novel, efficient, plant-inspired treatments against a broad range of plant fungal pathogens for post-harvest applications.

ElectricFeel | Moritz Meenen | www.electricfeel.com | Zurich

ElectricFeel provides the market’s leading white-label system to launch and operate shared electric mobility systems.

MapTiler | Petr Pridal | www.maptiler.com | Zug

MapTiler provides street and satellite maps to businesses that need cartography integrated with their services. The software can process aerial and satellite imagery or geodata, and integrate customer-supplied data into the maps.

Microcaps | Alessandro Ofner | www.microcaps.ch | Zurich

Microcaps offers a novel technology for the production of microparticles and microcapsules used to protect active materials, such as drugs in medicine and fragrances in creams.

Mirrakoi | Daniel Schmitter | www.mirrakoi.com | Lausanne

Mirrakoi provides a brand-new CAD solution to make 3D design accessible, intuitive and faster. Mirrakoi provides software that simulates real-world physical contact during the 3D digital modeling process and enables everyone with an idea to become a designer.

MOBBOT | Agnès Petit | www.mobbot.ch | Fribourg

MOBBOT enables construction companies to reduce fabrication and installation costs by 75 percent. MOBBOT offers a fully digitalized process from a 3D scan of the open trench to custom-made concrete products made with additive manufacturing.

Qnami | Mathieu Munsch | www.qnami.ch | Basel

Qnami provides quantum sensors for applications where classical solutions are not enough. They develop solutions for their customers across a large range of applications from failure analysis of ultra-compact electronic systems to early-stage medical diagnostics.

Seervision | Nikos Kariotoglou | www.seervision.com | Zurich

Seervision provides video analysis algorithms for real-time object recognition and scene segmentation. With this technology, multi-camera robot setups can perform all traditional camera work tasks autonomously.

WECHEER | Karim Choueiri | www.wecheer.io | Lausanne

WECHEER blends the internet-of-things, big data and social media to transform marketing in the beverage industry, and bring brands the closest to consumer's lips.

Follow the Venture Leaders Technology roadshow from March 24th to 29th using the hashtag **#VleadersTech**. Meet the Venture Leaders Technology 2019 team in Zurich at the [Startup Champions event](#) at ETH Zurich on March 5th.

About Venture Leaders

The members of the Swiss National Startup Teams have a clear-cut goal. They envision themselves as global players and want to take the first step to their global expansion. Venturelab has 19 years of experience bringing Switzerland's best entrepreneurs to the heart of technology hotspots: Silicon Valley, New York, Boston, Barcelona, Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, and Hong Kong. Companies founded by the 360 Venture Leaders alumni have created more than 3,500 jobs, and raised more than 1.4 billion Swiss francs in capital.

List of Venture Leaders alumni: <https://www.venturelab.ch/venture-leaders-alumni>

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