Unique business platform to bring top European investors to Sofia and Warsaw in June

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Unique platform of business events will bring top European Venture Capital investors to Sofia and Warsaw. The <u>Eastern Europe Tech Tour 2018</u> (EETT) gives a real chance for funding to the best innovation companies in the region. This is the first edition of the Tour and it will take place on **11-12 June in Warsaw**, Poland and on **12-13 June in Sofia**, Bulgaria.

EETT 2018 is organised by <u>Tech Tour</u>, with initial support of <u>Almaz Capital</u>. The main goal is helping entrepreneurs and investors work together and realise their full journey of innovation, from the initial concept all the way through to valuation.

Eastern Europe is especially chosen this year for the prestigious event. The region is realising one of the highest economic growth and that also generated \$5 billion in liquidity back to investors in the past few years.

The Eastern Europe Tech Tour 2018 will showcase a total of 30 of the most promising high technology companies – 15 from the region of Central Eastern Europe: Poland (as a host country), Belarus, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovakia and Ukraine; and 15 from the region of South Eastern Europe: Bulgaria (as a host country), Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Greece, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Macedonia (FYROM), Moldova and Montenegro.

Over 200 companies will go through a rigorous review process and be assessed based on the uniqueness of their technology, the strength of their business model, vision, capability to execute on the business plan, and the quality and track record of their management. The selected entrepreneurial companies will present their business to an invited delegation of 40 international investors, active in the region as well as 40 local investors and regional key players.

The selection process will be led by a <u>Selection Committee</u>Selection Committee that unites leading international investors and senior business leaders among which Alexander Galitsky, co-founder and managing partner of Almaz Capital, Evgeny Angelov of Postscriptum Ventures, Pavel Bogdanov of Almaz Capital and Marcin Hejka, Founding Partner at OTB Ventures. The <u>application</u> **deadline** for companies interested in the event is up to **13 April 2018**. The <u>earlybird registration</u> **deadline** for the event passes is up to **12 April 2018**. The official language of the Eastern Europe Tech Tour 2018 is English.

All media representatives can attend the event free of charge. For registration via email, please contact <u>hhristov@techtour.com</u> up to 11 June 2018 for Warsaw and up to 12 June for Sofia.

Tech Tour. Founded in 1998, <u>Tech Tour</u> is a community with strong positions in the venture capital market. We promote innovative companies and their projects through our online community platform and in person at 25 networking events that we organise each year. We have 20-years of experience across Europe and the Middle East, and planning to enlarge our scope of work to China. We present a unique cross-border platform for growing and emerging innovative tech companies on their way to investment and funding – from the idea to the success story.

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