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Tech Tour to provide platform in Rotterdam for European innovators in Cleantech/Energy Transition to meet international investors

The event will join forces on 22 November with Business Forum Rotterdam to welcome the President of Singapore, King Willem-Alexander, HRH Constantijn van Oranje and the Mayor of Rotterdam

The prestigious 8th edition of the [Cleantech Summit 2018](#) is about to make Rotterdam into the investment capital of Europe on **22 November**. The event is **focused on Energy Transition** and showcases the best investment opportunities within the Cleantech industry in Europe. It is traditionally hosted by the [City of Rotterdam](#) and organised by [Tech Tour](#) and will take place at **RDM Rotterdam**.

The [Cleantech Summit 2018](#) will join forces with the [Business Forum Rotterdam](#) on 22 November and join the official VIP delegation led by **the President of Singapore Halimah Yacob and King Willem-Alexander**. The delegation is comprised of 125 senior policy and business leaders from Singapore and the Netherlands and will feature a speech by **the Mayor of Rotterdam Ahmed Aboutaleb and HRH Constantijn van Oranje** as special start-up envoy of the Netherlands at StartupDelta will close the joint programmes of the Cleantech Summit and Business Forum Rotterdam. The plenary session will cover the themes: Different History, Common ‘clean’ challenges, Boosting FDI in a time of geopolitical uncertainty, and Business needs: how can governments support ‘clean’ businesses.

HRH Constantijn van Oranje shared his expectations about the Summit: *The energy transition is undoubtedly one of the most pressing challenges facing our global community. To meet this challenge, we quickly need to invest in accelerating cleantech innovations and professionalize tech transfer, before it's too late. That's why it is so important that Tech Tour brings together all those involved - startups, investors and all sectors of society- to overcome barriers together".*

The [Summit programme](#) features insight from successful industry experts and thought leaders and revolves around **4 technology sectors: Energy Transition** (generation, storage, infrastructure, efficiency); **Smart cities and Mobility; Maritime and Offshore; Industry**. The agenda includes **30 scale-up company presentations** by CEOs, discussion panels, keynotes and top-level networking. A fireside chat featuring **General Fusion, Oxford, sonnen, Heliatek and New Motion** will enlighten the audience about how to become a successful start-up. Another 150 VIP guests will represent the **“Who's Who” of the Cleantech and Venture Capital market**, including top executives from blue-chip technology companies, international venture capitalists, investment bankers, specialized press, service providers and advisers **coming from all around the world**.



Cleantech Summit – Energy Transition
Rotterdam - 21 - 22 November 2018

Cleantech Summit Media representatives will receive priority access to tech company CEOs and investors at the Summit for editorial staff on the 22nd of November, with the opportunity to set up interviews with speakers, and complimentary access to all sessions. **Media representatives can register on the event's [website](#) or at the registration desk onsite.**

[Registration](#) for general participants interested in attending the 2018 Cleantech Summit is still available up until the **21st of November 2018**.

About Tech Tour

Founded in 1998, Tech Tour is 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. The platform supports innovative companies and their projects through online community space and in person at 25 networking events that we organise each year. Tech Tour is well known in the venture capital market with its 20-years of experience across Europe and the Middle East, and planning to enlarge our scope of work to China. For more information please visit: <https://www.techtour.com/>

About City of Rotterdam

Rotterdam welcomes entrepreneurs, corporations, and investors who are keen to seize the future. Daring to push the limits, and the longing for growth, are written into the city's DNA. Rotterdam reinvented itself in the past and is doing it again. With the emphasis on innovation and a can-do approach, things happen in Rotterdam that can't happen anywhere else. Rotterdam is a valuable partner for the market because it offers a short time-to-market. The city is gearing up to offer you high-level service. Investing in accessibility and the logistical quality of region remains a priority. It also offers access to relevant networks of business partners and knowledge centres and the public/private innovation and development funds relating to them. For more information please visit: <https://www.rotterdam.nl/>

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