

**Media Release – Geneva, May 3, 2016****The Future of Fintech on show at Fintech Summit 2016 from May 3-4 in Paris****Tech Tour Announces Europe's Top 20 Innovative Fintech Entrepreneurs**

Tech Tour announced today the top 20 European entrepreneurs to participate in the upcoming [Tech Tour & IVC Fintech Summit](#) (FTS) 2016, taking place in Paris, France from May 3-4 at BPI France. Applicants were assessed by Tech Tour's Selection Committee on criteria such as the uniqueness of their technology, the strength of their business model, and their capability to execute a business plan. FTS received more than 120 applications from 21 countries across Europe, demonstrating the growing trend in Fintech.

Selected entrepreneurs seeking funding will present their businesses to an audience of over 100 Venture Capital firms, Business Angels, Corporate and Institutional Investors, and influencers who are looking for companies to invest in within the sector. They will be joined by key French stakeholders, both public and private including, the French Treasury, national banking and insurance associations (FBF and FFSA), Paris Europlace and CroissancePlus, supported by Oakland Partners and its Global Partners Pictet & Cie and Orrick.

**President of the Fintech Summit 2016, Jean Rognetta (Delegate General of CroissancePlus and President of PMEfinance), and VP & Head of the Selection Committee, Baruk Pilo (Managing Director of Oakland Partners), today announced the names of the top 20 European Fintech companies as selected by an expert committee to present at BPI France, Paris on May 4.**

**Baruk Pilo commented:** "The quality and maturity of the start-ups is a welcome surprise, considering Europe was so late to the Fintech game. Banks and all financial institutions, particularly in the Eurozone, will be able to find valuable innovative partners in the new three-sided game that is being created."

**The 20 Fintech Presenting Companies are:**

AcceptEmail	Crowdaura	Kantox	Onfido
Business Forensics	FinanceFox	Landbay	Synerscope
Cash Payment Solutions	Finexkap	Ledger	TawiPay
CashSentinel	Gambit Financial Solutions	Lendstar	The Glue
Compte Nickel	HedgeGuard	Monetas	Unilend

The final roster of companies have been selected from across Europe including companies from Belgium, France, Germany Netherlands, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

**They will pitch in 4 sub-segment categories and sessions during the event:**

1. Lending, Insurance Tech and Software
2. Payment and Transaction Services
3. Financial Services and Banking Platforms
4. Risk Management, Big Data and Blockchain

**Jean Rognetta commented:** "Although the competitive heat from start-ups is still just warming up, the Fintech movement is galvanising the financial industry: it is high time for banks, insurance companies, stock markets and

every financial institution to invest heavily in and change the very architecture of the services they provide. A strategy of open innovation and investments in start-ups is the only approach to solve the many questions raised, in particular the numerous security problems”.

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### **Notes to Editors**

### **About Tech Tour**

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Tech Tour was founded in Geneva in 1998 in response to the growing interest in emerging technology companies in various European regions. Tech Tour brings together investors and high-tech entrepreneurs through its highly successful events. Tech Tour focuses on selecting the highest quality companies for its events and as a result selected companies have been very successful in obtaining funding. Tech Tour over the years has built a very strong and inter-connected community of Entrepreneurs, Investors, Government influencers, Industry experts and Advisers. This community comes together regularly to network, collaborate and to invest their time and money in furthering the high-tech innovation ecosystem in Europe. [www.techtour.com](http://www.techtour.com)

### **Selection Committee Members:**

360° Capital Partners, Accel Partners, Atlante Ventures, Axa Strategic Ventures, BPI France, Caixa Capital, CapHorn Invest, Cisco Systems, DealMarket, Earlybird Venture Capital, Eggsplora, Eight Roads Ventures, FR Development, Idinvest Partners, INKEF Capital, Jolt Capital, Mangrove Capital Partners S.A., Microsoft Ltd UK, New Alpha Asset Management, Octopus Ventures, Partech Ventures, Red Bridge, Samsung Electronics, Serena Capital, Seventure Partners SA, Shiraz Partners, SmartFin Capital, Stardust Ventures, True Global Ventures, United Ventures, Ventech, Visa, and Xange Private Equity.

### **About CroissancePlus-PMEfinance**

CroissancePlus is the main entrepreneurial association in France. Its ca. 500 members lead the country's fastest-growing companies and share their success with employees and stakeholders. They vigorously promote entrepreneurship in France and Europe, with high ethical values. CroissancePlus' international network, ranging from China to California, provides members with immediate leverage on their growth paths. On September 2015, CroissancePlus merged with PMEfinance, a non political think tank bringing together leading entrepreneurs of every sector and financiers involved with innovation or small caps, in public and private equity, with a particular focus on venture capital and fintechs. [www.croissanceplus.com](http://www.croissanceplus.com)

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### **About Oakland Partners**

Oakland Partners provides M&A and Corporate Finance advice to High Tech Companies. Oakland Partners, based in London, has a presence in Paris, Madrid and Tel-Aviv. Our partners advised companies for M&A transactions and Private Placements for the last 17 years. We have key relationships with both global acquirers of technology companies and long standing relationships with IT giants: IBM, Microsoft, Oracle, Cisco, Google, Intel, ARM, Qualcomm, Symantec, Salesforce.com, HP, Amazon, Facebook, Apple, RIM, NEC, Rakuten, Samsung and many others. Oakland Partners industries expertise are: Cybersecurity and Forensics, Big-Data, Fintech, Mobile/Wireless,

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### **About Paris Europlace**

Paris Europlace is the organization in charge of promoting and developing the Paris financial marketplace. It brings together and represents a great variety of players active in the financial industry: issuers, investors, banks, insurance companies and financial intermediaries, whether they are French or non-French entities. As a privileged intermediary with the European and French authorities with which it maintains an ongoing and constructive dialogue, Paris EUROPLACE initiates proposals for the collective benefits of the financial centre. [www.paris-europlace.com/fr](http://www.paris-europlace.com/fr)

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### **About BPI France**

BPI France is a public investment bank that finances businesses from the seed phase to transfer to stock exchange listing, through loans, guarantees and equity. [www.bpifrance.fr](http://www.bpifrance.fr)

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