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Press Release
Invest Tech Finland 2009
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Invest Tech Finland 2009 is the largest technology venture capital event in Finnish history!

It brings together the very best Finnish technology companies from pre-seed to growth stages, leading technology-focused venture capital and angel investors, public funding organizations, policy-makers and leading academic thinkers.

The two day event takes place 9 -10 June 2009 in Espoo, Finland. The event covers the latest topics behind the market, including technology venture capital market trends, the effects of the financial crisis on the market, open innovation as a driver for future and government role in venture funding and incubation.

The event is organized by comprehensive amount of partners including Ministry of Employment and the Economy, Tekes, Veraventure, Foundation for Finnish Inventions, Greater Helsinki Promotion, Otaniemi Marketing, Industry Investment and Technopolis, as marketing partner as well as Co-organisers Finnish Venture Capital Association, Venture Cup and Aalto University. Lead organizer of the event is Spinverse, a company specialized in emerging technology commercialization.

"Difficult economic situation hasn't stopped innovation and the need for investments is now stronger than ever. In Finland there is a large base for promising technology companies, in addition to already well known ICT and wellbeing sectors, especially in the areas of energy-, environment-, materials- and nanotechnology. The best time for investors to join the growth of these companies is now. Never before have we seen such a wide spectrum of actors around the same table to build success to come after recession", states Pekka Koponen, CEO from Spinverse.

During Invest Tech Finland, venture cup awards ceremony will take place where Minister of Economic Affairs Mauri Pekkarinen will hand out the award.

Conference speakers and panelists include Risto Siilasmaa, F-Secure; Mikko Alkio, Ministry of Employment and the Economy; Jouni Hakala, Industry Investment; Petri Laine, Veraventure; Juha Jutila, Foundation for Finnish Inventions; Kaj-Erik Relander, Accel Partners, UK; Paul Murray, DFJ Espirit, UK; Kimmo Jyllilä, Eqvitec; Sven Lingjearde, Endeavour Vision, Switzerland; Artturi Tarjanne, Nexit Ventures; Vesa Sadeharju, VNT Management; Timo Ritakallio, Ilmarinen; Monty Widenius, MySQL; Marko Ahtisaari, Dopplr and many more!

The event also features many domestic and international investors and a large number of angel investors. Matchmaking service is arranged for investors, selected companies and media to meet.

Over 50 of the best technology companies of Finland will present their latest innovations to interested investors, including: BaseN, BioCis Pharma, Canatu, Efecte, Enfucell, Kureri, MetGen, Optoinspection, Picodeon, Powerkiss, Scred, Senseg, Sensinode, ZenRobotics, Zipipop, Zokem and many more.

For more information on Invest Tech Finland 2009 and the updated programme, visit www.invest-tech.net.

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