



## Giesecke+Devrient and the European Investment Bank establish co-investment platform to invest in European TrustTech start-ups

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G+D Ventures, the venture capital arm of Giesecke+Devrient (G+D), is partnering with the European Investment Bank to invest in European startups working on solutions for greater security and trust in the digital world.

G+D Ventures and the European Investment Bank (EIB) have launched a co-investment platform with a total volume of EUR 50 million to finance European start-ups in the TrustTech environment. In this context, a venture capital fund was established, which G+D Ventures manages strategically and operationally as fund manager. The aim of the fund is to invest in the development of innovative solutions that help to strengthen trust in a digital (tech) society. These include cyber security solutions, privacy protection technologies, digital identity management, and secure authentication and payment systems.

As the venture capital arm of the G+D Group, G+D Ventures invests in startups that are relevant to G+D's core business and have the potential to become industry leaders. The European Investment Bank is the bank of the European Union and the largest multilateral financing institution in the world. Together, the two pursue the goal of supporting emerging European startups in the TrustTech environment. This helps to close the funding gap for early-stage startups in the EU in this area and to advance young companies that are committed to developing innovative solutions to enhance security.

"In an increasingly digital world, credibility plays an essential role. As a company, G+D stands for exactly that: security technology that creates trust. With this fund, we want to provide targeted support for European startups whose developments make the digital world safer," explains Ralf Wintergerst, Chairman of the Management Board and Group CEO of Giesecke+Devrient. "The EIB's equal commitment underlines the importance and scope of this task. To this end, we are contributing not only investment capital but also our many years of expertise and our excellent ecosystem."

Ambroise Fayolle, EIB Vice President, says: "Cybersecurity and TrustTech are becoming increasingly important for the digital future of Germany and the rest of Europe. We look forward to working with G+D Ventures to develop this market in Europe."

# Über Giesecke+Devrient

Giesecke+Devrient (G+D) ist ein weltweit tätiger Konzern für Sicherheitstechnologie mit Hauptsitz in München. Als verlässlicher Partner für internationale Kunden mit höchsten Ansprüchen sichert G+D mit seinen Lösungen die essenziellen Werte dieser Welt. Dabei entwickelt das Unternehmen maßgeschneiderte Technologie mit Leidenschaft und Präzision in vier Kernfeldern: Bezahlen, Konnektivität, Identitäten und Digitale Infrastrukturen.

G+D wurde 1852 gegründet. Im Geschäftsjahr 2021 erwirtschaftete das Unternehmen mit rund 11.800 Mitarbeiterinnen und Mitarbeitern einen Umsatz von 2,38 Milliarden Euro. G+D ist mit 89 Tochtergesellschaften und Gemeinschaftsunternehmen in 33 Ländern vertreten.

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