



FRENCH TECH TICKET

THE FRENCH PROGRAM FOR
INTERNATIONAL STARTUPS

JOIN INCUBATORS
IN PARIS AND
THROUGHOUT FRANCE

ENTREPRENEURS

WELCOME!

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French Tech Ticket: Season 1

A highly successful harvest

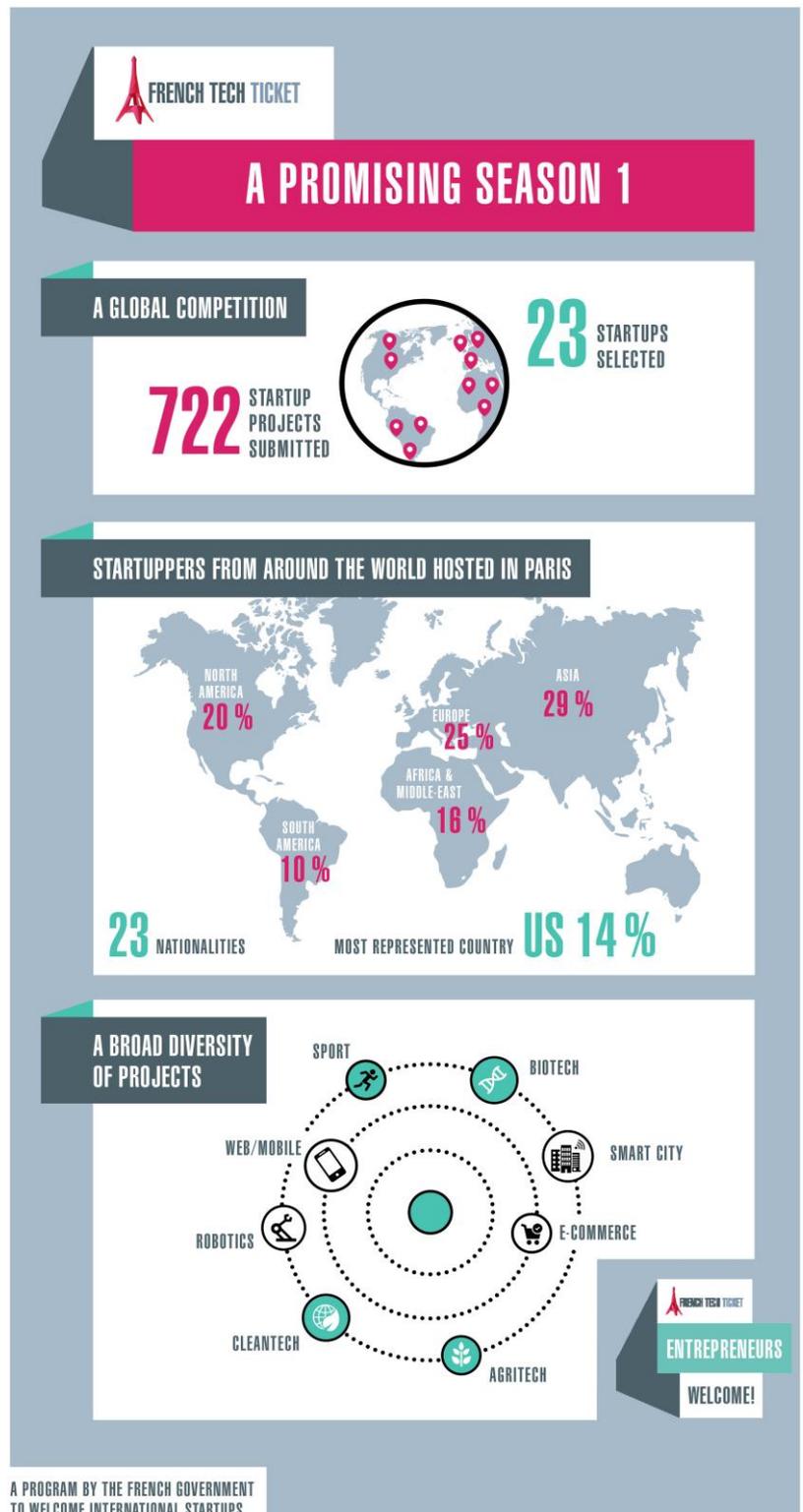
FRENCH TECH TICKET: SEASON 1

In a context of highly mobile talents and increasing competition between international capitals, French Tech Ticket is designed to attract entrepreneurs with audacious projects from the world over and help them launch their ideas or grow their businesses in France.

FRENCH TECH TICKET – SEASON 1: A VERY PROMISING START IN PARIS

Paris has been steering a bold startup policy for a number of years now, making it one of the world's leading innovation centers. The city's thriving innovation scene, the density of incubators, startups and the involvement of major groups in Open Innovation programs have now switched the world on to the host of opportunities in the Parisian market.

Launched on June 21, 2015, the first season of French Tech Ticket has demonstrated its potential to boost France's attractiveness for startups.



FEEDBACK FROM THE FRENCH TECH TICKET SEASON 1 LAUREATES



Mariana Bittencourt
Director Communication,
Cophenol (Brazil)

"French Tech Ticket it is a great opportunity to experience being an entrepreneur. As a program participant, I am able to follow entrepreneurial classes and networking events that are very important to learning from others' experiences. Living in France allows me to be part of an incredible network and also a huge community of international start-ups that is making France the new center of innovation."

"In terms of support for our project we have space in an incubator, we have coaching and tutelage which has really helped us advance and they give us a lot of help with networking in the French ecosystem which has helped us to get visibility for money and for future investment."



Steven Jay Silverstein
Co-founder Bifasor (USA)

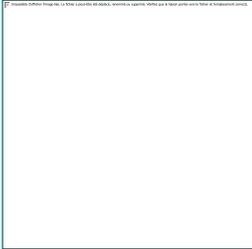


Jacklyn GIRON
Smashrun (Philippines)

"It's an exciting time to be part of the French Tech ecosystem! It's easy to see that it's rapidly evolving just by the sheer number of French startups operating in a vast range of industries. And, the French government is actively fostering its growth. Not to mention, France makes a good base of operations. You can affordably hire local talent, there's good infrastructure, and young innovative companies are incentivized to grow with fewer tax constraints. It's also the baguette capital of the world!"

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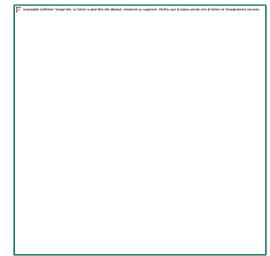
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Qian Yang
Co-founder INFUTHE
(China)

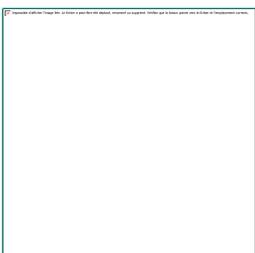
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“I am a big fan of french culture, love the food, wine, cheese, museums and geographic diversity. But this time, I am in France to realize my entrepreneurial dreams. And why France? I have lived, studied and worked in five EU countries and I can guarantee that, when compared to these countries, France produce highly competent and cost-effective R&D engineers. So, the obvious choice for Dymond Cleantech is France, for research tie-ups with the French atomic energy commission, for the R&D tax rebates and quality engineering services. French tech ticket is a great program, supporting our entrepreneurial spirits, providing us with proper guidance for innovation, handling the red tape and very timely assistance from 100% dedicated help desk, what more could you ask for. The cherry-on-top is the master classes provided by French tech ticket helping us tackle financial problems, legal challenges and product development processes.”



Dr. Raphael KIRAN
Dymond Cleantech (India)

« We are happy to be here. We are in the Impulse partner incubator and every week, every few days they are bringing new delegations from different companies and corporations to come and talk with us, so it is super interesting »



Yaron Schwarcz
Co-founder TRIDOM (Israël)

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THE FRENCH TECH TICKET AMBASSADORS

The French Tech Ticket Program is sponsored by renowned international entrepreneurs who chose France to create their startup, among them:

Robin Chase (USA), ZipCar, Co-founder & former CEO

- **Réda Berrehili** (Morocco), Doculeaks, Co-founder & CTO
- **Roxanne Varza** (USA), La Halle Freyssinet, Director/1001startups.fr
- **Miguel Valdés Faura** (Spain), Bonatisoft, Co-founder & CEO
- **Meryl Job** (USA), VideDressing, Founder
- **Giorgio Ricco** (Italy), La Belle Assiette, Co-founder

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"Over the last 5 years Paris has become one of the world entrepreneurial capitals. Incubators, accelerators, investors and public aids are finally there to support the international talents path to success."

Giorgio Riccò (Italy)
La Belle Assiette

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"When it comes to creating a solid ecosystem for entrepreneurs, France has become one of the best environments in Europe.

France is well known for its programs to support and finance innovation, such the government tax incentives and subsidies. This is just the top of the iceberg, in the last 10 years the country has created an impressive ecosystem of entrepreneurs, engineers, investors incubators and success stories.

The French Tech Ticket program its an enabler for passionate entrepreneurs from around the world that want to leverage this ecosystem and launch and develop internationally their startups from France"

Miguel Valdes Faura (Spain)
CEO & co-founder of Bonatisoft

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"We've got terrific tech talent locally that is a lot less expensive than elsewhere. But I also think right now the government is really paying attention to the ecosystem, trying to do something that will really favor innovation.

We have a lot of advantages for foreigners who want to come to France and you have a lot of examples of foreigners that have come to France. I'm super jealous that French Tech Ticket winners have got such terrific services, they have a really great offer."

Roxanne Varza (USA)
Director of Halle Freyssinet



The French Tech Ticket: Season 2
Entrepreneurs welcome!

FRENCH TECH TICKET – SEASON 2:

EXPANDING THE PROGRAM IN SIZE AND SCOPE

The French Tech Ticket is picking up the pace in Season 2:

- ▼ 41 incubators have been selected across France (vs. 10 Parisian incubators in Season 1) to welcome the second intake of startups.
- ▼ 70 international startups, or about 180 entrepreneurs, will join the Season 2 program in January 2017 (vs. 49 entrepreneurs from 23 startups in Season 1).

WHAT'S IN IT FOR FRENCH TECH TICKET WINNERS?

The welcome package has been expanded to offer new laureates the best possible start, with a combination of funding, incubation, ongoing support and advice:

- ▼ €45,000 funding per project to cover:
 - External costs (feasibility studies, service providers...)
 - Personal costs
- ▼ A 12-month incubation period in one the 41 selected partner incubators in Paris and throughout France
- ▼ A fast-track procedure for laureates to obtain a resident permit
- ▼ A dedicated support program:
 - A series of master classes and monthly networking events with the ecosystem
 - Tailored business support from the host support team
 - Follow-up by an individual sponsor (eminent entrepreneur from the host ecosystem)
 - 2 *Demoday*s annually with investors and corporates
 - Further services depending on the entrepreneurs' specific needs
- ▼ A help desk to assist laureates with administrative formalities (residence permits, funding, tax, insurance and social security)
- ▼ A Soft Landing Pack to relocate easily to France and a practical guide to starting out in the host city with special offers from selected partners



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WILL JOIN THE PROGRAM
IN JANUARY 2017

**A GLOBAL STARTUP
COMPETITION**

- ▶ 45,000€ in Prize Money per project with no loss of equity
- ▶ 12 months incubation in one of France's 41 top incubators
- ▶ Help Desk Your one-stop shop for administrative procedures
- ▶ Acceleration program Mentoring, masterclasses and events to support your growth
- ▶ Resident Permit For 2 or 3 co-founders
- ▶ Soft Landing Pack To relocate easily to France

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A PROGRAM BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT TO WELCOME INTERNATIONAL STARTUPS

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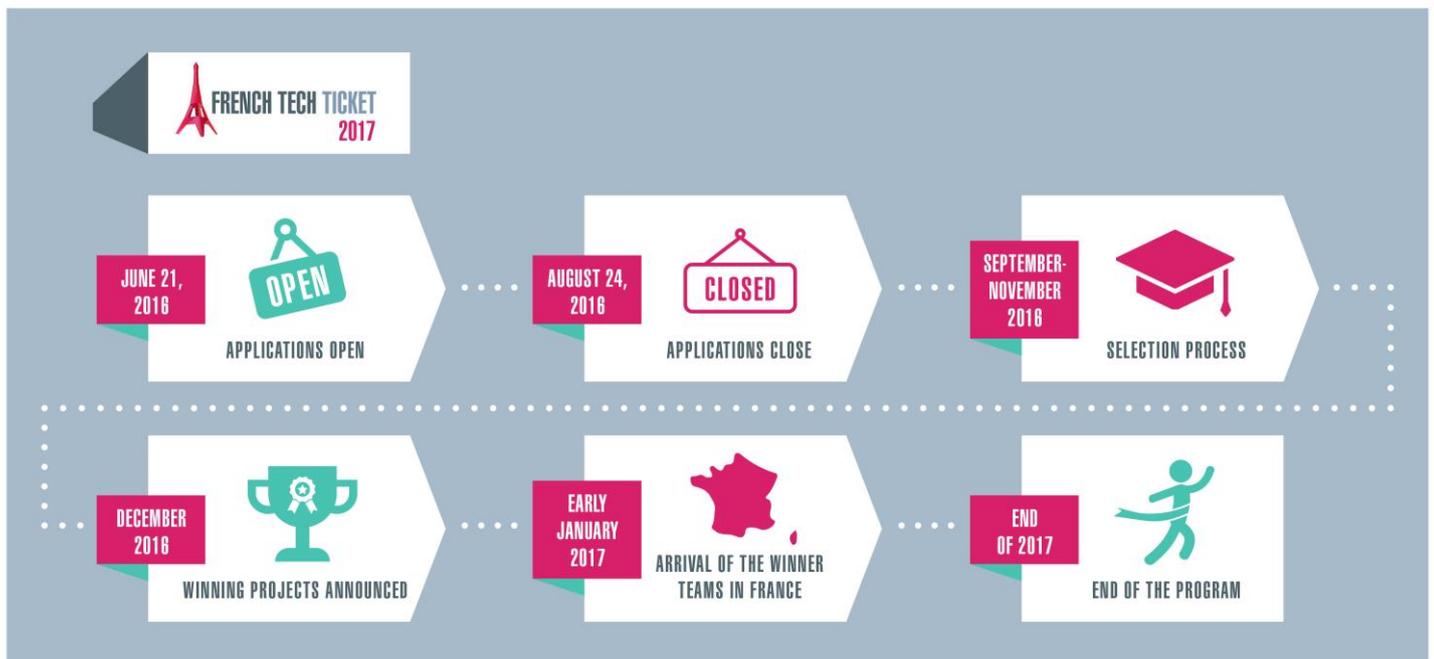
WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Foreign founding teams of 2 or 3 people
 - The team can include a maximum of 1 French citizen
- English-speaking founders: the entire program will be held in English
- ▶ Startups in project phase (not yet legally founded) or already created abroad
 - Founders must be ready to live in France for a year and devote 100% of their time to their project
- ▶ Companies that have already been created in France (headquarters or subsidiary) are not eligible.

HOW TO APPLY:

- French Tech Ticket applications are centralized in a dedicated website: www.frenchtechticket.com
- Candidates must choose their 3 preferred incubators when applying
- Every partner incubator is presented in a joint document at the end of the press kit and on the competition website. This presentation details their specific support packages and their differentiating features, especially in terms of:
 - Sector expertise (biotech, medtech/health, IoT, hardware, cultural and creative industries, education tourism, cleantech, energy, industry, construction, real estate, foodtech/agritech, ecommerce, cybersecurity, fintech, sport, robotics, mobile/web, social businesses, aerospace, etc.)
 - Expertise in the maturity phase addressed (concept/proof of concept/business development)
- The selection of startups will be supported by the partner incubators and sponsor authorities, as well as independent entrepreneurs.
- The selection criteria will be based above all on the innovation brought by the project, the team and the company's strong development potential using France as a base.

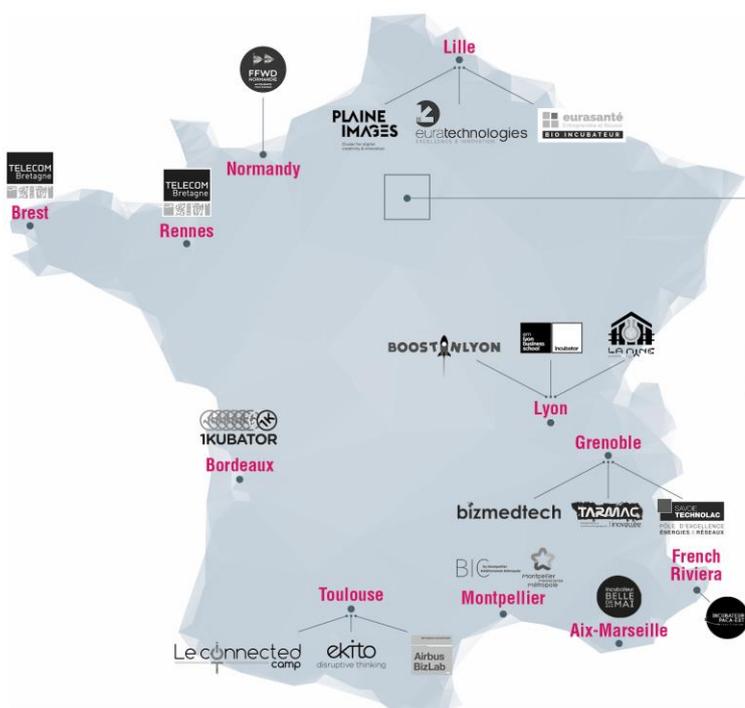
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MORE THAN 40 INCUBATOR PARTNERS NATIONWIDE

The future laureates of French Tech Ticket – Season 2 will be hosted by 41 partner incubators from the Greater Paris region and other major French cities to host future laureates. These partner incubators were selected through a national call for candidates.

41 PARTNER INCUBATORS IN FRANCE



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PARTNER INCUBATORS IN THE PARIS REGION:



50 PARTNERS

Paris

Expertise: e-Commerce, Cybersecurity, Mobile/Web



104 FACTORY

Paris

Expertise: Creative & Cultural Industries



BOND'INNOV

Paris region

Expertise: Social Innovation, Mobile/Web, Biotech



CREATIVE VALLEY

Paris region

Expertise: Creative & Cultural Industries, eCommerce, IoT



GENOPOLE

Paris region

Expertise: BioTech, Healthcare, Food/AgriTech



IMPULSE PARTNERS

Paris

Expertise: Energy, Construction, Wellness



iPEPS-ICM

Paris

Expertise: Healthcare, Biotech, Medical devices



LA PAILLASSE

Paris

Expertise: Biotech, Cleantech, Healthcare



LE COMPTOIR (empowered by LE COMPTOIR DE L'INNOVATION)

Paris region

Expertise: Tourism, Social Innovation, eCommerce



LE HUB BPIFRANCE

Paris

Expertise: Fintech, HR, Mobile / Web



NUMA

Paris

Expertise : Blockchain, CleanTech, Retail



PARIS&CO - LE CARGO

Paris

Expertise: Creative & Cultural Industries, Education, Mobile/We



PARIS&CO - LE TREMPLIN

Paris

Expertise: Sport



PARIS&CO - WELCOME CITY LAB

Paris

Expertise: Tourism



PARIS PIONNIÈRES

Paris

Expertise: Mobile/web, Education, FinTech



SCHOOLAB

Paris

Expertise: Mobile/web, Foodtech/AgriTech, Education



SENSECUBE

Paris

Expertise: Social Innovation, Education, Wellness



STARBURST

Paris

Expertise: Aerospace, Industry, Robotics



STARTUP42

Paris region

Expertise: Software, Mobile/Web



TELECOM & MANAGEMENT SUDPARIS

Paris region

Expertise: eCommerce, IoT, Mobile/Web



USINE IO

Paris

Expertise: Hardware, IoT, Robotics



X-UP

Paris region

Expertise: IOT, Data Science, Artificial Intelligence

PARTNER INCUBATORS IN OTHER STARTUP ECOSYSTEMS

THROUGHOUT FRANCE:



1KUBATOR

Bordeaux

Expertise: Mobile/Web, Social Innovation, eCommerce



AIRBUS BIZLAB

Toulouse

Expertise: Aerospace, Cybersecurity, Robotics



BELLE DE MAI

Aix-Marseille

Expertise: Multimedia, IoT, IT



BIZMEDTECH

Grenoble

Expertise: Healthcare, Computer Assisted Medical Intervention, Surgical Robotics & Implantable devices



BOOSTINLYON

Lyon

Expertise: Web, E-commerce, Software



EKITO

Toulouse

Expertise: Creative & Cultural Industries, Sport, Wellness



EM LYON

Lyon

Expertise: Education, Healthcare, IoT



EURASANTÉ

Lille

Expertise: Biotech, Healthcare



EURATECHNOLOGIES

Lille

Expertise: Software, eCommerce, IoT



FAST FORWARD NORMANDIE

Normandy

Expertise: IoT, Silver Economy, Smart Industry



LA MYNE

Lyon

Expertise: Cleantech, Energy, Creative & Cultural Industries



LE CONNECTED CAMP

Toulouse

Expertise: IoT, Hardware



LE TARMAC

Grenoble

Expertise: Energy, IoT, Mobile/Web



MONTPELLIER BIC

Montpellier

Expertise: Foodtech/AgriTech, IoT, Healthcare



PACA-EST INCUBATOR

Côte d'Azur

Expertise: Healthcare, Smart City, Digital



PLAINE IMAGES

Lille

Expertise: Videogames, Virtual and augmented reality, Digital publishing



SAVOIE TECHNOLAC

Grenoble

Expertise: Cleantech, Energy, Smart grid



TELECOM BRETAGNE – BREST CAMPUS

Brest

Expertise: Ocean/Environment Observation, Healthcare



TELECOM BRETAGNE - RENNES

Rennes

Expertise: Cybersecurity, IoT, Software



**France's vibrant tech, innovation
and startup culture**

WHY FRANCE?

“France has built a vibrant tech culture in the last few decades.”

Wired UK

“France is Europe’s leader when it comes to a boom in entrepreneurship and startups”

John Chambers, CEO Cisco

A BOOMING STARTUP ECOSYSTEM

France stands today on a cusp with strong momentum driven by a record number of business startups.

For the fifth year in a row, France dominated the rankings of Deloitte’s 2015 Technology Fast 500 EMEA, which identifies the fastest-growing technology companies in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. France had the most entries in the top 500 and 86 winning submissions. **France also came in third in the 2015 Thomson Reuters Top 100 Global Innovators list, with 10 organizations.**

Many young French technology companies are now going global.

Seven French companies are listed on the NASDAQ, including biopharmaceutical firm DBV Technologies, valued at more than \$1 billion, and digital performance marketing company Criteo, valued at more than \$2.5 billion.

BlaBlaCar, a ridesharing marketplace, is valued at \$1.6 billion and is now operating in 14 countries.

Sigfox, a Toulouse-based wireless network for the Internet of Things raised more than \$100 million in 2015 and is currently rolling out in 10 US cities.

Showroomprivé, the online private sales platform is listed on the Paris Stock Exchange and operates in 8 countries.

Vente-privée, its fierce competitor, made high-valued acquisition in the past few months: Vente-Exclusive (Belgium), Privalia (Spain) and now owns majority stakes in eboutic.ch (Switzerland).

SECTORS IN WHICH LA FRENCH TECH IS LEADING THE PACK

Big Data

When France's strong education in math (13 Fields Medal recipients) meets business model creativity.

Market Leaders :

critéo

Criteo, inventor of ad retargeting, NASDAQ IPO in 2013, \$2B valuation.

talend*

Talend, pioneer of open source big data integration, \$100M venture funding so far.

Teads

Teads, inventor of outstream video advertising, \$80M venture funding since 2011.

SCALITY

Scality, software for exabyte-scale data storage, \$45M Venture Round in 2015.

BioTech/MedTech

64 life science startups listed on Euronext Paris Stock Exchange:
#2 in the World for Biotech and #1 for Medtech IPOs in the last 5 years.
10B€+ of market capitalisation.

3 NASDAQ IPOs in less than one year:

dbv
technologies

DBV Technologies, inventor of the Peanut Allergy Patch, IPO in December 2014, \$340M raised, Valuation \$1.7B.

collectis

Collectis, innovative medicine through genome engineering and cell therapies, IPO March 2015, \$212M raised. Valuation \$1B.

ERYTECH
Pharma

Erytech, cancer therapies working by starving tumour, \$85M Funding so far, IPO Announced End 2015.

Internet of Things

25% of all startups exhibiting at CES 2015 were French
« France is #2 for IoT only after the US » Financial times 2015

Market Leaders :

SIGFOX

SigFox, Global Cellular Networks for IoT, \$112M Funding Round in February 2015.

Parrot

Parrot, pioneer of Consumer Drones, Current Valuation \$400 M.

Withings
Inspire health

Withings, health-related Connected Devices, \$30M Venture Funding.

DEVIALET

Devialet, inventor of Phantom, the highest-quality wireless speaker in the world. \$28M Venture Round in 2015.

Sharing and On-Demand Economy

Inventing unique and disruptive Business Models

Market Leaders:

Bla Bla Car

Blablacar, long distance ride-sharing global leader, \$300M raised in the last 12 months, Valuation \$1.6B.

drivy

Drivy, Europe's #1 peer-to-peer car rental service, \$20M Venture Funding.

prêt d'union

Prêt d'Union, online platform to facilitate financial transactions between individual lenders and borrowers. \$34M Series D July 2015.

LA RUCHE
QUI DIT OUI!

La Ruche Qui dit oui! (aka The Food Assembly). Network of communities buying fresh food directly from local producers and farmers. \$9M Series B Funding Round in 2015 lead by Union Square Venture and Felix Capital.

FRENCH STARTUPS ARE ALSO ATTRACTIVE FOR HIGH-PROFILE ACQUISITION

- ▼ TripAdvisor acquired LaFourchette.com —the French equivalent of restaurant reservation service Open Table—for a reported €100 million.
- ▼ Neolane, a software platform for managing digital marketing campaigns, was acquired by Adobe for US\$600 million (around €460 million).
- ▼ Fimalac/Webedia has invested €240 million in digital media sites such as allocine.fr and jeuxvideo.com over the past few years.
- ▼ Captain Train – the French online train tickets booking platform – was acquired by Trainline for €200 million in March 2016.
- ▼ Withings – the French leader in health-related connected devices – was acquired by Nokia for €170 million in April 2016.

FRANCE AT THE FOREFRONT OF INTERNATIONAL INNOVATION ECOSYSTEMS

The French government's investment in creating one of the leading innovative nations in the world is paying off.

Over the past few years, American tech giants: Google, Intel, Cisco, Facebook, among others, have chosen France to develop their cutting edge technologies:

- ▼ **Intel**, that already has 7 R&D hot spots in France **recently launched its European R&D center on Big Data**
- ▼ **Facebook chose France to set up its first R&D center dedicated to artificial intelligence**
- ▼ **Cisco also recently opened its innovation & research center in Paris** with the goal of driving IoE innovation and a focus on smart city development
- ▼ **Google created its culturebox in Paris called “Le Lab”** a space is intended as a meeting place for actors from around the world and culture of the American giant engineers.

“France may be the best known for its matter of « Old World » pleasures like wine and luxury goods. But it has quickly -and quietly- become a formidable player in the new digital economy, thanks to an explosion of smart and relevant technology startups”.

Cyrus Sanati, Fortune.com

ICONIC FRENCH TECH KEY PLAYERS, TO NAME BUT A FEW...



Jacques-Antoine Granjon

Founder of vente-privee.com in 2001, the e-commerce company that pioneered online flash sales.

Estimated valuation \$3bn.

Céline Lazorthes

Founder of Fintech startup Leetchi, sold to French Bank Credit Mutuel Arkea in 2015.



Ludovic Le Moan

Founder of Sigfox, IoT pioneer, is building a global wireless network to connect low-energy objects. Raised \$115m in 2015.

Frédéric Mazzella

Founder of BlaBlaCar, international leader and pioneer of car-sharing, has raised \$300m in the last 12 months.



Xavier Niel

Founder of Iliad/Free in 1999, now valued at \$12bn. Founder of Kima Venture, Ecole 42 and Halle Freyssinet, soon to be the world's largest startup incubator.

« France is on the way to becoming a real start-up nation. »

Ludovic Le Moan, Sigfox

« If I was to do it again, it is in France that I would create my business ».

Frédéric Mazzella, BlaBlaCar



A 360° financing system

A POWERFUL COMMUNITY OF PRIVATE INVESTORS

Whether they are college students crowdfunding a friend's new venture or multinationals putting millions of euros into a promising startup, France's private sector is supporting technology initiatives in a big way.

The Venture Adventure

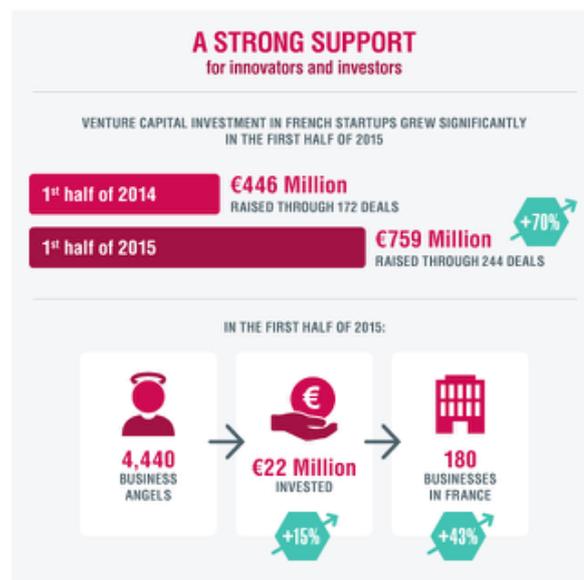
France has the second largest venture capital ecosystem in Europe. Venture capital represents 22% of all deals here. While the overall VC funding in France reached \$2 billion in 2015, venture capital investment in French startups grew significantly in the first half of 2015, with €759 million raised through 244 deals. This translates to more than 70% in the amount invested and more than 30% in the number of deals as compared to a year earlier. In Q1 2016, France became the European country with the most investments, while recording the highest growth from 2015.

One VC success story is Idinvest Partners. An early investor in Sigfox, Deezer and Meetic among others, the fund now manages €5 billion in assets—and received a \$17 million investment from the American multinational Cisco in December 2015.

Pennies from Heaven

In the first half of 2015, 4,440 business angels invested €22 million in some 180 businesses in France, up more than 15% from the amount invested in the first half of 2014. The number of projects funded also grew by 43%.

Xavier Niel, the founder of Internet service provider Free, is France's most active business angel. He has invested €200 million to convert a former rail depot into what will be the world's largest business incubator for 1,000 startups. Niel is followed by Fabrice Grinda, who co-founded the Aucland auction site and has invested €26 million in 170 start-ups.



THE FRENCH STATE'S TECH EMBRACE:

A GOVERNMENT FIRMLY BEHIND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The French government has thrown its weight behind innovators and investors with 40 new measures since 2012. As John Chambers, CEO of Cisco, said, “*The French government truly understands the economic and societal benefits digitization will bring.*” France’s commitment to tech is a combination of investment, legislation and tax relief.

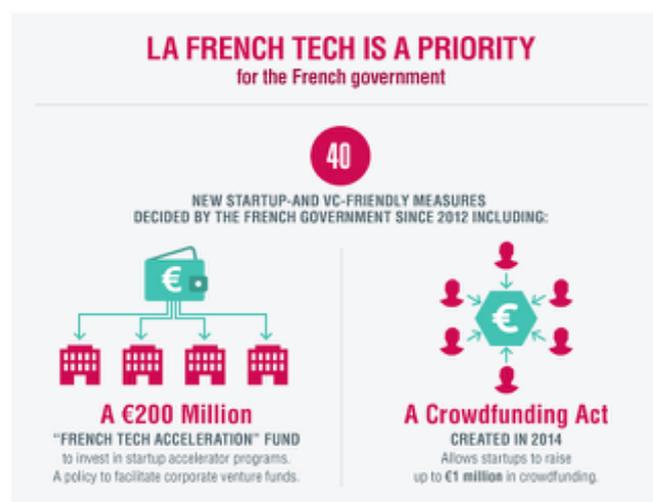
Bpifrance

Through Bpifrance, a public investment bank, French government helps to fund innovative business ventures in a variety of ways. Here are only a few examples of them:

- ▶ With the French Tech Acceleration fund, created in 2015, Bpifrance is investing \$200 million in private startup accelerators
- ▶ It manages the Large Venture Fund, with €600 million to invest in quickly-growing innovative companies at the venture capital stage. In 2015, Bpifrance was the most active investor in Europe.

France also supports startups through legislation and tax incentive programs:

- ▶ Startups are allowed to raise up to €1 million in crowdfunding.
- ▶ France’s R&D tax credit program is the most generous and incentive of its kind in the world, covering 30% of all R&D expenses up to €100 million and 5% beyond this amount.
- ▶ Since 2004, France has had a special tax status for “innovative new companies” and granted more than €1.17 billion in tax exemptions for some 6,600 startups.





A huge pool of talent

The French are innovation-friendly

From high-speed trains to luxury goods to vaccines, the French have a long-standing reputation for creativity and innovation. The French are early adopters of new technologies and today they are strongly committed to the new digital age.

The majority of young French people today aspire to be entrepreneurs. They have been inspired by successful entrepreneurs who have propelled the French Tech ecosystem forward.

SUCCESS IS ABOUT PEOPLE: WHAT MAKES LA DIFFÉRENCE?

France success comes from a combination of factors: talent, education, ambition, investment, incentives and infrastructure.

France labor pool is skilled, well-educated and innovative. As Facebook noted in a statement, “**France is home to some of the best researchers in the world.**” That’s why the company decided to create its new AI Research team in Paris. France has one of the highest percentages of researchers: 9.3 for every 1,000 people in the labor force. In 2014, human resources in science and technology accounted for 35% of France’s total employment. France counts nearly 1.3 million engineers, more than 100,000 researchers and more than 400,000 R&D personnel. And those researchers are well-funded, too: France ranks sixth worldwide for its gross domestic expenditure on research and development, with €47.5 billion in 2013.

The educational system ensures this strength will last into the future. Paris alone is home to 38 engineering schools and the country trains 100,000 engineers per year, along with top-notch students in math, physics, robotics and computer sciences. Major American universities such as Stanford and Georgia Tech have set up campuses here.

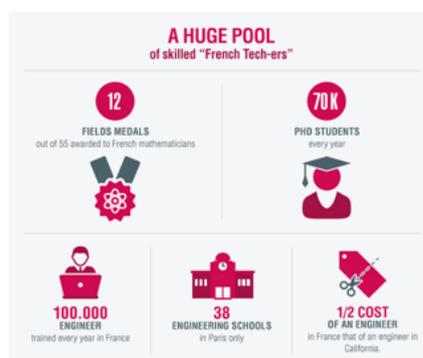
“France has a strong culture of engineers”

Brent Hoberman, founder of Lastminute.com

“France is lucky enough to have some of the best engineering schools in the World”.

Romain Dillet, TechCrunch

France is also the world’s fourth most popular destination for talent from abroad, with 240,000 international students enrolled in higher education in 2013. Over the years, our graduates have won 13 Fields Medals, arguably the highest honor a young mathematician can receive





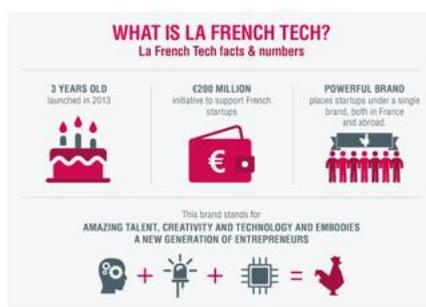
**The French Tech
A Dynamic Ecosystem**

The French Tech initiative: taking this momentum to the next level

In November 2013, the French government launched the French Tech initiative to take this momentum to the next level by uniting, organizing and promoting the French startup ecosystem, finding accelerators to boost their growth and expanding the French Tech community worldwide.

A label to unite a community

The French Tech label is the rallying flag of the French Tech community, uniting all those who work for or with a startup as proud members of the community. The pink origami Gallic Rooster represents France and a quirky, light-hearted approach to communication reflecting the vibrant ecosystem of young, dynamic and creative startups. It is a collective label embraced by startup entrepreneurs, investors, engineers, developers and staff proudly demonstrating the talent, drive and ambition of French startups in France and worldwide.



An international network of French Tech Hubs to help startups expand worldwide

French Tech Hubs are a global network of French or simply Francophile entrepreneurs and talents with overseas startups who have set up local French Tech communities. These French Tech ambassadors open up their networks and share their experience with French startups seeking to develop their business in their country. Eleven communities have been awarded the French Tech label to date. A total of 20 communities is expected to be set up over the coming months.





Project Sponsors

A program co-founded by the French Ministry of the Economy through its “French Tech Initiative”, the City of Paris and following organizations :



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BIFASOR

A matchmaking platform for transport and logistics professionals in Africa

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The first Image recognition technologies for better customer behaviour analysis

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CHALLENGING SOLUTIONS

Open-source smart mobility device to revolutionize wheelchair user accessibility worldwide

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CHIFCO

A box to measure and control energy consumption in the home

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COPHENOL

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Eco-innovative water treatment solutions using diamond electrodes and a “Made in France” technology

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FUELLING – IT'TIME TO MOVE

An app for companies that encourages and rewards employees for their sportsmanship

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GAIUS AUTOMOTIVE

A fleet of electric motorcycles for sustainable urban logistics. Gaius has answered the “Paris call” with pollution reduction and traffic decongestion

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GUESSWORK

A product recommendation engine for first-time buyers on e-commerce sites

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INSPIRO

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Use your mobile phone to try on glasses anytime anywhere

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PIN&TUCKER

A simple, easy-to-use tool for an instant opinion from your community of friends when you're shopping

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Data-driven technology to raise fertility treatment success rates

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HEKTOR

Software and application development made simple with Pressmattic

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Q-BOT

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SMASHRUN

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TIMEJOY

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TRIDOM

Tridom designs robots that build houses because we believe in a future where everyone can own their own home

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