

#### **Press Release**

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# Allianz France selects 5 start-ups for the third season of its accelerator based in the Allianz Riviera stadium in Nice



The Allianz France accelerator has selected five start-ups for its Summer Batch #2: 360&1, Connect'O, Digital Fineprint, Metigate and Spixii.

Together with this new group, the Allianz accelerator is launching a co-acceleration programme with voyages-sncf.com and Allianz Worldwide Partners. It has also confirmed its international footprint by welcoming two English start-ups.

Following the call for candidates last April and after reviewing many submissions of quality, the jury consisting of representatives from Allianz France, Allianz Worldwide Partners, Bpifrance and Idinvest Partners selected five very promising start-ups in the fields of e-travel, social data, internet of things and InsurTech.

## Hereby, the five start-ups selected by the Allianz France accelerator:

- <u>360&1</u>: a platform which enables e-travel companies to better manage their sales with artificial intelligence and big data technologies.
- <u>Connect'O</u>: a self-learning connected object providing real-time water consumption and leak detection.
- <u>Digital Fineprint</u>: a system which optimises on-line conversion using social data.
- Metigate: advanced climate business intelligence.
- <u>Spixii</u>: an automated digital chatbot which makes insurance simple, practical and more personal.

"The results have already been very promising for the last two seasons: €2.6 million in funds raised for MyCoachFootball, bringing the total raised to over €12 million, the purchase of Finsquare by Lendix and some very good partnerships. We're welcoming a new and very diverse batch with two English start-ups, including one from the Insurtech StartupBootcamp and Startup Next, and emerging technologies with the first chatbot dedicated to insurance", explained Sylvain Theveniaud, Director of the Allianz France accelerator.

The five new start-ups will join the Allianz France acceleration programme at the heart of the Allianz Riviera stadium in Nice in June 2016 for five months.

Morever, new type of acceleration will be pioneered in this batch: as part of the Allianz Accelerator's launch of co-acceleration programmes, the Metigate start-up will benefit from the first edition with Voyages-scnf.com, the leading French e-tourism site, and Allianz Worldwide Partners. The co-acceleration includes support from e-travel and e-commerce business and IT experts, the supply of business line data and access to a testing community (Voyages-sncf.com customers) and to the network of Voyages-sncf.com and its partners.

"We're very happy to start this co-acceleration with Allianz and a great start-up like Metigate. The complementary expertise of the Allianz accelerator and the leading e-commerce website will be a key combination to accelerate Metigate's development and offer an improved travel experience", commented Benoit Bouffart, Director of Products, Customer Experience and Acceleration at Voyages-sncf.com.

"We've been working with the Allianz France Accelerator and start-ups for a year to anticipate and improve the customer experience, particularly with e-travel. The Metigate start-up's first experience with co-acceleration will help accelerate innovation so we can continue to provide the best possible customer service to our partners", stated Franck Pivert, Head of Direct & Digital Solutions at Allianz Worldwide Partners.

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