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TECHSHARE: IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL FOR 47 COMPANIES

TechShare, Euronext's programme designed to teach leaders of unlisted innovative European businesses how the stock market works kicks off another "school year" on 23 and 24 September at the HEC Paris business school.

Amsterdam, Brussels, Lisbon and Paris - 23 September 2016 - Euronext is about to start its second edition of a special educational programme designed to familiarise fast-growing tech companies with capital markets. On 23th and 24th September, representatives of 47 innovative European companies will join programme partners and Euronext staff at the HEC Paris business school to kick off the new school year.

The 47 businesses that make up the class of 2016/2017 were admitted after a strict selection process that analysed candidates' technological innovations, business models and strategies in detail. The 22 French, 11 Dutch, 10 Belgian and 4 Portuguese companies participating in this year's programme operate in a variety of sectors, from digital technologies to life sciences and green industries. The first evening session for the Belgian participants will be held in Brussels at the end of October 2016.

This first event of the new year will be organised and facilitated by HEC Paris professors, experts and market practitioners who will share their experience and address issues ranging from business development strategy to managing a high-growth company and corporate governance in a tech environment. Their presentations will kick off twelve months of workshops on financing a business in the capital markets, along with coaching sessions to help participating business leaders gain insights into exactly what stock market listing involves. A second academic session will be held in the spring at the Vlerick Business School campus in Brussels.

Eric Forest, Chairman and CEO at EnterNext, said: "This year TechShare is moving up through the gears for the latest instalment of this event, accepting a larger number of companies in this educational programme, which is unique in Europe. We are proud of the 320 SMEs that have turned to Euronext stock exchanges to fund their expansion. These up-and-coming businesses need further assistance to get a good understanding of how financial markets work, and TechShare is a key component of what we have to offer them. We also wish to thank our partners for the on-going trust they have shown in this programme and their involvement in making it happen."

TechShare is a unique pan-European initiative launched in 2015 to help familiarise innovative businesses with capital markets. Techshare targets leaders of these unlisted companies, helping them better understand how markets work and giving them the information they need to prepare in good time when taking their companies to market. Last year 29 innovative companies took part in TechShare lectures, workshops and individual coaching sessions all year long.

TechShare is part of a series of initiatives for tech companies designed by EnterNext, Euronext's subsidiary dedicated to promoting and growing the market for SMEs, that includes a partnership with Morningstar to strengthen investors' knowledge and financial analysis of tech stocks, as well as the Tech40 label, events, and a dedicated website, TheTechCorner.

For more information on the class of 2016/2017 and our partners, see the enclosed press kit.

For more information on TechShare, visit TheTechCorner, Euronext's website dedicated to Tech financing through capital markets: https://tech.euronext.com

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