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## **Over 20 hi-tech companies are currently developing their innovative ideas at Sofia Tech Park**

Over 20 hi-tech startups and small and medium enterprises are already operating and developing their innovative ideas in the office spaces of Sofia Tech Park. Their businesses are focused within one of the three priority areas of the first technology and innovation park in Bulgaria – ICT, life sciences, and green energy.

78% of the office spaces, forming part of Sofia Tech Park's Incubator have already been let out to 22 companies. Another 15% are subject to contract negotiations. Interest has been expressed for the remaining three offices in the Incubator as well. Each of those companies needs to fulfil a set of requirements: their business activities should be focused on one of the focus areas, while at least 30% of their operations should be linked to R&D. More information is available at <http://sofiatech.bg/news/1104201/>

Currently, the companies that are residing within the Incubator offer IT services, software innovations in the areas of livestock breeding, security, new product development, alternative materials, etc. The technology and innovation park was officially launched in December 2015. The project's main objective is to create a bridge between science, technology, and business, while providing support for startups and SMEs. The companies residing within the Incubator are not only benefiting from the office spaces but will soon have access to a set of services supporting their growth – legal, accountancy, marketing, administrative, advertising services as well as assistance in applying for funding from a range of institutions and organisations.

The technology and innovation park will also provide those companies with access to the latest technologies within the Lab complex, consisting of 11 fully-equipped high-tech labs. Such access will be secured through Sofia Tech Park's collaboration with leading universities and scientists.

### **A list of the companies at Sofia Tech Park**

**Kidamom** develops VOD (video on demand) services, geared towards families and children. One of the services, provided by the company is a video cloud for sharing family moments from across the world. Kidamom, in partnership with Xenium, is currently working on a video solution, based on semantic analysis (Artificial Intelligence), which is designed for business clients worldwide. The company is also partnering with Ontotext – a global leader in semantic technologies.

**Mindscape** – specializing in creating and integrating innovations in the sphere of security and transportation, including control of access to public spaces, stadiums, halls, squares, business centers, and residential complexes. The company's also developing innovative approaches to electric mobility.

**EuroPATC** have developed an innovative device to protect children with autism. CAPPO is a technological innovation on a global scale and is based on an equally innovative software program. It is an electronic device with multiple sensors attached to the back of the child, which traces his location, the position of his body, movement, vibrations, body temperature, including whether the body has any contact with water. All information is then sent to the parents' mobile devices, PC or tablets.

**Playground Energy** produces children playground parts, which use the kinetic energy of the children's movements and then transforms it into sound and light, thus motivating them to play more. Another project the company is working on is creating educational boards that use the body temperature of the human palm to trigger light signals.

**Cocofarm** develops software innovations in the field of livestock breeding. The company uses sensor data, algorithms, and mathematical models in order to read various indicators of the animals, thus facilitating the management of chicken and cow farms.

**3 EN 3 (Escreo)** produce innovative wall paints that allow writing and drawing on the surface. The paint is suitable for class rooms, public spaces, children play corners, etc.

**FootballScout** – the company works on developing a Networking platform in the field of football (Football LinkedIn). Each user, having their profile, can create and search for football events from all across the world. The platform offers different accounts for players, coaches, and fans.

**Intelics Engineering** – the company is currently developing CASE solutions for the creation of HMI middleware as software toolchain and framework, all aimed at the automatization of the development of specific automotive user interfaces.

**A4E** offers a range of affordable analytical solutions for SMEs, including sales, cost, and storage optimization as well as forecasting among others.

**GymRealmTechnology** have created a Cloud-based platform for gym and sports centers management. There are different types of accounts – for gym centers and for users as well.

**Welldrinks** – the company was founded in 2014 and its main business activity is developing and offering a new range of innovative functional beverages.

**CO2 CARDS** develops various means of compensation of CO2 emissions, released in the atmosphere as a result of human activity. CO2 CARDS offer a technological online-based solution for transport companies, which is aimed at reducing their carbon footprint.

**PROFAY** works on developing a marketing platform, based on scientific research in the field of artificial intelligence, data extraction, and natural languages processing.

**J Boxers** is an IT startup, created in late 2013. The company develops two innovative products in the sphere of artificial intelligence and integrated devices. It owns a platform, designed to manage the activities and data of companies and various organizations. One of the main projects is Fleet Profiler, which is at a prototype phase. It represents a system for monitoring and analysis of automobiles, driving styles, and driver profiles as well as management and tracking of the entire automotive park.

**ENGAVE INTERNATIONAL** develops innovative solutions in three thematic areas – mobile banking, healthcare (telemedicine), and data safety in private and public clouds.

**MammothDB** is engaged with database development for the purpose of big data analysis for the needs of SMEs. Their parallel database application, which is based on a standard hardware and allows processing and productivity optimization, has already been submitted for a patent.

**Sciant** is a startup founded in February 2016, which has already grown up to 20 people. One of their products is COWEB – a library of user interface components, incorporated in HTML /CSS / JavaScript. The library can also be integrated in every web-based user interface of the system.

**Innovation Starter Box** – An Innovation Agency. The Agency organizes training sessions for various companies' teams teaching them how to use different methodologies for innovation. They help them conceive ideas worth patenting, register those patents, create useful models, and smart brands. The aim of the company is to generate growth through innovation in each of a given company's operations aspect. The Agency also engages with the implementation of a range of business, public, and educational projects.

**Tech Tour Global** - The Tech Tour group has developed a strong investment community, engaging in various activities with 25 recurrent events per annum reviewing 2,000 emerging and growth companies from across the European Continent by its most active investors.

**CleanTech Bulgaria** is a network for clean technology innovation. Specializing in the execution of accelerator programs and mentor schemes for startups in the field of green energy, environment conservation technologies, etc.

**Eleven** – an accelerator and venture capital fund supporting early-stage startups from all across Europe.

**Junior Achievement** – the organization's activity is focused on entrepreneurial training and support for startups, founded by students and pupils among others.