



Big Bang Ventures Announces Three New Investments

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Big Bang Ventures closed three investments in promising IT startups over the last two weeks. These innovative companies are Q-layer in Belgium; and Avinity and 24access, both headquartered in the Netherlands.

Focused on continental Europe, and in particular on the Benelux countries, Big Bang Ventures invests in the next generation of technology start-ups. In line with a worldwide uptake in early-stage investments by venture capital funds, Big Bang Ventures has invested in two new ventures, Avinity, specializing in solutions for digital television, and 24access, developing mobile applications. Finally, BBV organized, and invested in a follow-on round for Qlayer. Led by a prestigious syndicate of leading US and European funds, the proceeds of the round will help Qlayer, a developer of infrastructure software for datacenters, to expand its international sales and marketing operations.

For additional information on the respective investment rounds, please refer to the respective press releases.

Frank Maene, Managing Partner, Big Bang Ventures: "We are very excited with the deal flow of young, innovative ICT companies in our home market – the Benelux (Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg). This generation of startups is the best in terms of both quality and quantity we have seen in Europe in a decade. We see a lot of starters who have been able to create significant traction on a shoestring. We are happy to help them take the next step and increase their execution power. We envisage several new investments over the next months to take advantage of the excellent investment climate."

About Big Bang Ventures

Big Bang Ventures invests in early-stage companies in the information and communication technology sector in the larger Benelux region. Formed in 2000, the fund has over € 40 million under management. Big Bang Ventures leverages its extensive operational experience to very actively help its portfolio companies realize its growth ambitions. Past investments include DataCenterTechnologies, sold to Veritas/Symantec in April 2005; Dedigate, acquired by Miami-based Terremark and Clear2Pay, a leading payments technology company. The team operates from offices in Lochristi, Belgium.

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