

Cannes Celebrates the World's Best AI Scale-Ups at a “Battle of the Titans” during the World AI Cannes Festival on February 13, 2025

18 December 2024, Paris and Cannes - In keeping with Cannes' tradition of identifying and celebrating creativity and innovation, the World AI Cannes Festival (WAICF) is set to showcase the “Battle of the Titans”, a competition between the world's best AI Scale-Ups at the beginning of its 2025 edition, taking place February 13–15.

The highlight will be an exclusive event where the Scale-Up entrepreneurs will present their groundbreaking innovations and fight it out in the “Battle of the Titans” in front of top-tier investors at the WAICF Investors Summit.

Sponsored by Allianz Accelerator, the Summit will culminate in a prestigious Gala Awards Ceremony dinner on February 13 at the iconic Palais des Festivals. Representing pivotal industries such as healthcare, manufacturing, retail, and banking, these cutting-edge firms have demonstrated their ability to reshape the global AI landscape.

Selection criteria:

- High potential to achieve unicorn status
- Tangible real-world impact
- Distinctive intellectual property

The final selection was conducted by renowned VCs, the Sophia Business Angels and the Institut EuroplA, creator of the WAICF. The latter two organizations operate out of Sophia Antipolis, Europe's largest science and technology park and a French-government designated AI cluster.

[About the World AI Cannes Festival](#)

The World AI Cannes Festival brings together industry experts, professionals and the general public around exhibitions, workshops, happenings, conferences, networking and meetings of an international dimension. The rich and varied programming highlights the latest applications of AI in businesses and in everyday life. A unique

opportunity for national and international institutions, associations, companies and startups from around the world to meet their audiences, promote their know-how and demonstrate their commitment to ethical and sustainable AI.

About RX

Organizers of the WAICF, RX serves the development of businesses, communities and individuals. We combine the power of face-to-face events with data and digital products to help our clients understand markets, research products and transact with more than 400 events in 22 countries and 43 activity sectors.

About Sophia Business Angels

Sophia Business Angels is a global network of individuals who invest in companies with innovative concepts and commercial promise. Members are, or have been, entrepreneurs or corporate executives with global expertise. Established in 2002 in Sophia Antipolis on the French Riviera, Sophia Business Angels is part of France Angels and the European Business Angels Network. Learn more at [Sophia Business Angels](#).

About the Allianz accelerator

With 157,000 employees, the Allianz Group is one of the world's leading insurers and investors. The Allianz accelerator supports the scaling of promising start-ups from all the world by offering them an intensive 5-month acceleration program. In 9 years, 68 startups benefited from the acceleration and raised 815M€ from top notch VCs including Cathay Innovation, Draper, Kima ventures, Eurazeo, Sumitomo, Tencent, and Rakuten. Accelerated start-ups include Ledger, a French Unicorn, BforeAI, InMemori, Vulog, Bodyguard, Lifeaz, Rogervoice.

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