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From sTARTUp to Global

What is a startup?

In Estonia startup is based in technology. It's innovative, has repeatable and scalable business model with fast global growth potential.

STARTUP ESTONIA

Technology based

Innovative

Repeatable business model **Global growth** potential

Startup in **Estonia**

Scalable

business model

Estonian Startup Scene in numbers

- Startup sector grows 30% per year
- 1216 startups (as of today)
- 6072 employee count (2020)
- ◆ **€97M in employment taxes** in 2020 (YoY +24%)
- **₹742M turnover (YoY +35%)**
- Raised over €1.8B in the last 12 years (90% foreign funds)

STARTUI ESTONIA

Global top for Unicorns per capita





skype

7WISE

2007

2003 30

2011

2010

2017



pipedrive

ZEGO

ID.me

2013



2018

2010



2020

2016



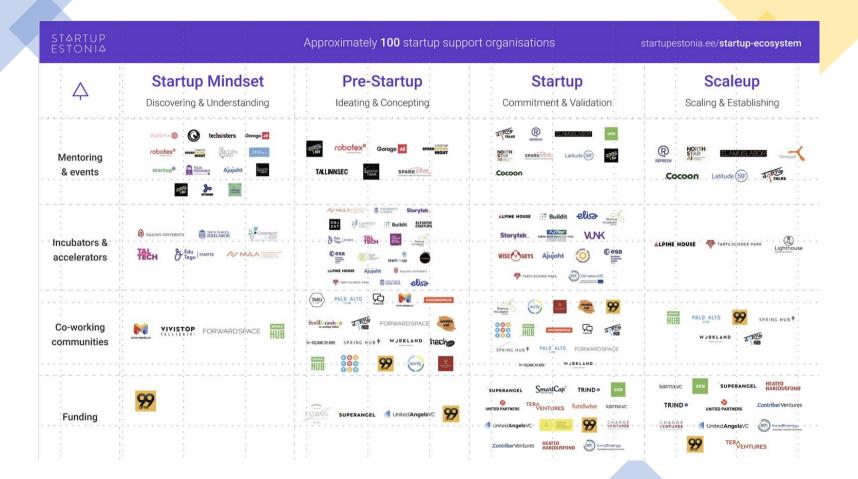
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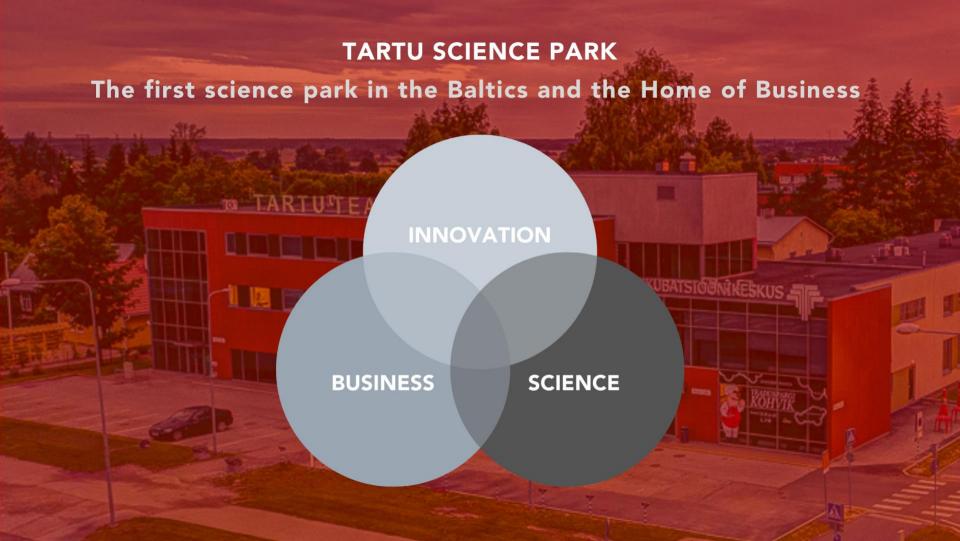
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On their way to unicorn status:









CORE COMPETENCIES

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1992

Establishment of Tartu
Science Park. Offering
lab and office spaces
for science and
technology companies.
Offering companies
business consultancy





2006

Offering and running incubation programs for science an technology based startups.

CLICK & GROW





2009

Establishment of one-stop prototyping services.





2013

Opening hardware accelerator BuildIt.





2017

The implementation and the ongoing management of ESA BIC Estonian incubation centre.





2017-PRESENT

Running incubation programs for deep tech, gaming and space startups.



















business incubation centre

ESA Business Incubation Centre Estonia





Estonia as a Space Nation

- 2007 first negotiations with European Space Agency (ESA)
- 2010 ESA Associated Member State
- 2013 EstCube-1 successful launch
- 2015 Estonia got Full Member State status
- 2017 opening of ESA BIC Estonia





European Space Agency

eesa

business incubation

centre Estonia

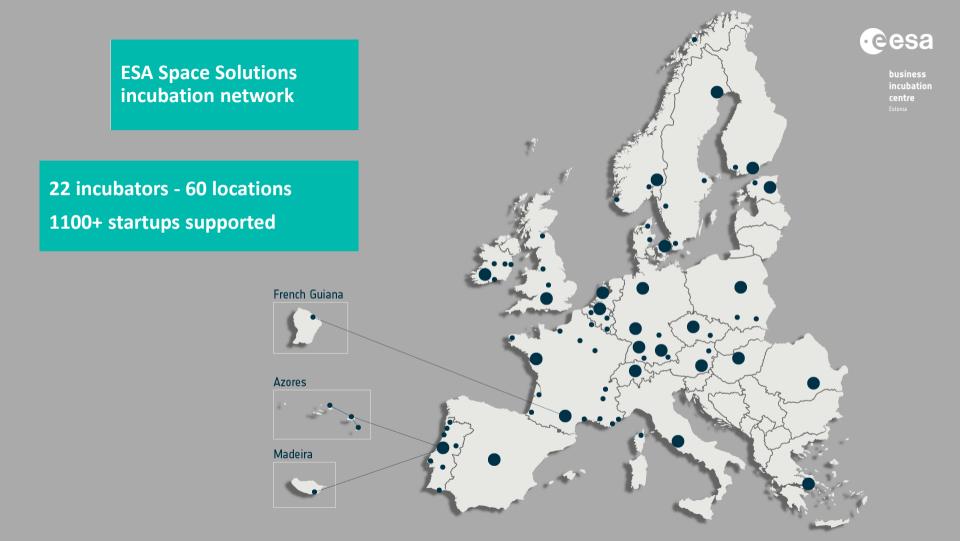
→ ESA SPACE SOLUTIONS

The largest space innovation network in the world

- The go-to place for great business involving space to improve everyday life
- Supporting European start-ups and SMEs to develop businesses using space technology and data
- Offering funding, business and technical support to help to generate successful business and create jobs







ESA BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRES

Business development support and advice up to two years



Networking for start-ups







ESA BIC Estonia

- Opened in November 2017
- 8 Selection campaings
- 48 applications
- 19 startups selected
- 10 active
- 8 alumni
- 1 default







Key Performance Indicators

| Start-ups | ESA BIC funding | Additional funding | Number of employees | Labour Taxes | Turnover |
|-----------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|
| 19 | 700 000 € | 5 684 000 € | 97 | 1 250 259 € | 4 135 081 € |

Spinoff Multipliers:

Revenue 5,9

Funding 8,1

Jobs 14



business incubation centre Estonia

The Global Startups







business incubation centre

Hepta Airborne

Automates the analysis of power lines by utilizing drones, satellites, and big data analysis

- Founded in 2017
- Total Funding 2.7M€
- Created 39 new jobs
- Market: 100M km of power lines, 97% inspected manually







Spaceit

Offers Mission Control as a Service to satellite operators as well as large number of simulators aimed at increasing cybersecurity in the space sector

- Founded in 2015
- Total Funding 1.1M€
- Market: increasing number of satellite launches



TOP5 valuable lessons

- Onboard team vs solo-founder
- Founders commitment for a long effort
- Global potential vs regional potential
- Hands-on mentors/business angels
- Deal with founders expectations (e.g. pre-money valuation >10M€)







DAY

sTARTUP DAY 2022

JANUARY 26-28



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