

ENECO INVESTS €3.75M IN THE ROCKSTART ENERGY FUND

Amsterdam, November 1, 2021 – Rockstart, global accelerator-VC, announces the investment of €3.75m into his Energy fund by [Eneco](#). The Rockstart Energy fund was launched in 2020 and is targeting startups that drive the energy transition forward. Eneco will also take a seat on the fund's advisory board.

In the last quarter of 2020, Rockstart has launched its 22M+ Energy venture capital fund, backed by institutional investors, European family offices, informal investors and the government. Through its [Energy fund](#), Rockstart invests in seed-stage startups contributing to the energy transition. Since it was first set up a year ago, the Energy Fund has already made 12 investments: [Klimate](#), [Technology Catalogue](#), [Fibersail](#), [Advanced Infrastructure](#), [Bia](#), [eDRV](#), [Helio](#), [Okto](#), [Solutions](#), [Starke](#), [Lanterne](#) and [Symphony](#).

“We are pleased to welcome Eneco as our partner in the Energy Fund. Besides being one of the most sustainability-focused energy companies in the Netherlands, Eneco also has extensive experience investing in startups and an impressive track record. We believe that having Eneco as the Energy Fund's newest partner will add substantial value to our startups and to Rockstart.”

— Don Ritzen, Rockstart co-founder and Interim Managing Partner

comments: “Investing in the Rockstart Energy Fund will give Eneco early access to the 50 startups in Rockstart's Energy Accelerator Program and create opportunities for Eneco to form potential partnerships and investigate possibilities for further investments.”

— Robert Blom, Senior Investment Manager, Eneco

Rockstart helps to launch purpose-driven companies on the road to success in three domains: AgriFood, Energy and Emerging Technologies. Rockstart offers an accelerator programme with a proven track record to empower startups early in their existence. It also provides further backing as an investor in subsequent rounds of fundraising up to Series B funding.

About Eneco

Eneco invests in startups and scaleups that help to promote the energy transition in Eneco's principal markets. Startups are a key source of innovation in moving the energy transition forwards. By investing in them, Eneco stays up-to-date on the latest developments and innovations. Following an earlier series of successful investments, in 2021 Eneco has started to build a new portfolio. Recent investments include EnergyWorx, which specialises in cloud-based data management solutions for energy companies, and the German commercial installation platform Installion.

ABOUT ROCKSTART

Rockstart is a global accelerator-VC that empowers purpose-driven founders on their way to success across three domains: Energy, AgriFood, and Emerging Technologies. Since its inception in 2011, Rockstart has invested in more than 250 startups and its alumni value to date is of almost \$1 billion. Rockstart is an international team of +35 professionals dedicated to empowering purpose-driven founders to become scalable and change the world for the better. Rockstart has notable exits such as Wercker, Bouw7, iClinic and in 2021 3D Hubs and Brincr. The company has offices in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Copenhagen, Denmark and Bogota, Colombia.



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