

FinLeap looking to hire 150 FinTech experts this year

Headcount increased to 100 people, an additional 150 vacancies to be filled | Four FinTech ventures successfully launched, five companies in stealth mode | Ramin Niroumand appointed partner, new venture partners on the starting blocks

Berlin, 29 April 2015 – FinLeap is on a growth path. Since its launch in autumn 2014, the company builder has increased its headcount to 100 employees. It plans to hire another 150 FinTech experts before the end of the year, and 100 vacancies have already been posted on the company website. The many highly qualified applications FinLeap receives from banking and insurance companies – approximately 1,000 per month – demonstrate the change the financial industry is currently undergoing. FinTech companies have become attractive employers.

“FinLeap is the first startup factory specializing in FinTech. We had a very good start. In the war for talent, we are on the front line,” says FinLeap founder Jan Beckers. “Over the next five to ten years, FinTech startups will generate several hundred billion euros.”

Savedo, an online marketplace for fixed deposits in Europe and FinLeap’s first venture, was launched from software development to customer service and online marketing. Assets under management have grown to an eight-digit volume.

BillFront, which provides a working capital solution for companies in the app economy, was launched in early 2015. Valendo, an online pawn shop for luxury goods, followed soon after. Last week, affiliate network financeAds International went live. Five other ventures are currently in stealth mode.

“We are proud to bring entrepreneurs and financial experts together, combining the strengths of two

worlds,” says Ramin Niroumand, who built up FinLeap’s business development and has recently been appointed to partner level. “There are opportunities for successful business models in nearly all financial sectors, e.g. asset management and insurance.” Among the most notable hires for FinLeap’s stealth mode ventures are Christopher Oster, founder of Wimdu, and Marco Neuhaus, a capital markets expert who will join FinLeap in May.

About FinLeap

FinLeap GmbH is an international startup factory in the FinTech sector with offices in Berlin and San Francisco. The group builds 6 to 8 companies per year and equips them with seed funding between €0.5-5m each. The company is led by Jan Beckers, founder of HitFox Group and Entrepreneur of the Year 2014, as well as further FinTech experts, such as Ramin Niroumand and Nasir Zubairi.



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