

## Startup Europe's IOT accelerator opens-up applications for its 2nd batch

Startup Europe is a European Commission initiative that aims to strengthen the business environment for web and ICT entrepreneurs so that their ideas and business can start and grow in the EU.

Startup Scaleup is a Pan-European IoT Accelerator that aims to provide a greater range and quality of services to ambitious entrepreneurs who want to launch and grow companies focused on the Internet of Things (IoT).

Startup Scaleup will open its application on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April for its second batch. The program will start on June 20th. As in the previous year the program will feature hands on help on developing products, meet and greet with prominent leaders and entrepreneurs and large scale promotion of the startups. Interested startups are welcome to apply at: <a href="https://www.f6s.com/startup-scaleup">https://www.f6s.com/startup-scaleup</a> until May 13th.

To demonstrate the success of Startup Scaleup, the program is proud to share some information about the first batch of participants. In the 6 month journey, 49 teams joined Startup Scaleup with support of 40 mentors where they worked on design, prototyping, manufacturing, licensing and fundraising of their products. As the program for the first batch is coming to a close, the best selected teams will attend one of the largest European IOT events - Connected Conference in Paris (<a href="http://connectedconference.co/">http://connectedconference.co/</a>).

Lithuanian SIDEWALK (<a href="http://www.sidewalkdelivery.co/">http://www.sidewalkdelivery.co/</a>) was one of the many participants in the first batch. Sidewalk signed a pilot project with DHL, and received an invite to TechStars Mobility SIDEWALK - an automated city delivery robot which has the main function to transport parcels from place A to place B without human assistance. Furthermore Sidewalk has been the only startup from Lithuania which has selected to participate in WIN2015 Deutsche Telecom event in Germany.