

Your monthly summary of ongoing and upcoming French Tech trends in Southeast Asia

## SPOTLIGHT

Latest French Tech news in a nutshell

## New Next40/120 selection coming

French Tech start-ups can apply to be part of the **Next40/120** program in 2022. Call for applications is open from Nov 18 to Dec 19.

#### **APPLY**

#### Cloud & Al strategies announcements

France has announced a **€1,8bn** plan focusing on R&D to support the French and European <u>cloud industry</u> over the next 4 years.

According to phase two of the <u>national Al</u> <u>strategy</u>, more than €2bn will be poured into the French Al sector over the next 5 years, primarily on talent acquisition and training.

## **Noteworthy operations**

## Latest major fundraisings

The French Tech ecosystem is expected to have raised more than **\$11bn** in 2021 and is well on track to meet the target of 25 unicorns by 2025, with **20 unicorns** already.

\$165m

\$116m

Biotech start-up

Insurtech start-up

Leocare raises \$116m.

DNA Script raises \$165m

in Series C financing.

# \$200m

Corporate Edtech platform <u>360Learning</u> raises \$200m.

## \$150m

New French unicorn <u>DentalMonitoring</u> raises \$150m.

# \$180m

Sanofi invests \$180m equity in French Albased biotech start-up <u>Owkin</u>.

French Greentech <u>Waga Energy</u> successfully completed its €110m IPO on Euronext Paris. Google acquires a fourth French start-up called <u>Tempow</u>.

US-based FuboTV acquires French streaming platform <u>MolotovTV</u> for \$190m. Philips grows cardiac monitoring business acquiring Paris-based <u>Cardiologs</u>.

## WHAT'S UP FRENCH TECH ASEAN

Focus on French Tech start-ups and communities in ASEAN

## La French Tech Singapore

As part of **Singapore FinTech Festival**, La French Tech Singapore gathered some serious international experts to discuss **Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDC)** as a game changer for the monetary system. The community also released the second episode of <u>Singapore Bonanza</u>, featuring Elen Martin from OVHcloud, one of the French unicorns which succeded in scaling their business in Asia.

## La French Tech Cambodge Phnom Penh

La French Cambodge Phnom Penh welcomed about <u>15 members</u> as the community makes a **fresh start**. A new board and a lot of new projects are coming, with the support of the French Cambodian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, including a French Tech pavilion at the next Digital Cambodia exhibition, round tables and meetings.

## **OVHcloud**

More than 130 international players from OVHcloud ecosystem gathered at the **2021 Ecosystem Experience**. The French cloud provider announced plans to ramp up operations in Asia Pacific, with a focus on growth in Australia and India.

## **EVENTS**

Hottest trends and upcoming events not to be missed

### France-Singapore EdTech Programme

The France Singapore EdTech Programme is a venture competition and pre-acceleration programme for Edtech start-ups. **Final Demo Day** will be held online on Dec 9 as part of vOilah! Festival.

DEC 9

### Singapore-France Joint Innovation Call

French and Singaporean companies keen to embark on joint R&D projects can receive support by participating in this <u>call for proposals</u> from Bpifrance and Entreprise Singapore before Dec 31.

**DEC 31** 

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