

Investment conditions and criteria

High-Tech Gründerfonds invests seed capital in your high-technology startup and helps you to successfully build and grow your company. In doing so we are willing to accept risks rarely taken on by private investors and institutional capital providers like banks in the early stages.

Our offer for you:

- Up to € 600,000 (so far € 500,000) risk capital at seed stage.
- We acquire a flat 15 % of company shares without performing valuation.
- We provide a subordinated company loan (seven-year maturity) that later can be converted into equity.
- The interests (currently 6 %, so far 10 %) on the subordinated loan will be deferred for 4 years to preserve the liquidity of your start-up.
- Another € 1.4 million of risk capital for follow-up financing.
- Outside of our standard model other ways of financing are possible together with other investors. Please contact us regarding these options.
- We are your ideal partner, not only as far as funding is concerned,
- But also for operational and strategic business-related questions. In addition to a vast network of national and international investors, a team of experienced investment managers will support you.
- Access to experienced entrepreneurs and managers.

A maximum of 600,000 Euros in the seed stage.

15% of company shares.

1.4 million Euros for follow-up financing.

Your contribution:

- You add 10% of our investment sum. Half of this founder participation can be provided by side investors (business angels, regional seed funds, private and public investors).
- The operating activities of your company started one year ago at the most.
- Your company meets the EU criteria for small and middle-sized businesses: a maximum of 49 employees and an annual turnover or an annual balance sheet total of no more than € 10 million.
- The development of a prototype or a proof of concept can be achieved with the seed capital.
- Your company or an independent branch of it is domiciled in Germany.
- Your company's technological innovation has clear competitive advantages and provides clear and sustainable market and growth opportunities.
- Your team stands out by its technological and commercial know-how as well as its complementing skills.
- Proprietary rights and intellectual property are at your unrestricted and exclusive disposal and reside within the company.

What you should bring along.