

Startup Luxembourg

From seed to scale



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An innovative country, open, dynamic and reliable at the heart of Europe

- Primary gateway into European markets
- Business-friendly environment
- Access to corporate decision makers
- Direct access to public authorities
- International, multicultural, multilingual
- Very high quality of life
- Digital agenda is a priority for the government



A startup way of thinking on a country scale



1870

Steel industry



1980

Global
financial centre



2000

Data –driven and
sustainable economy

STRONG INNOVATORS

In Europe for its
attractive research system
Eurostat 2024

1st

1st

REGULATION OF EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Network Readiness Index
Ranking 2024

Luxembourg is
recognised as one of the
most innovative
countries in the EU.

DIGITAL PUBLIC SERVICES

eGovernment Benchmark (EU)
Ranking 2024

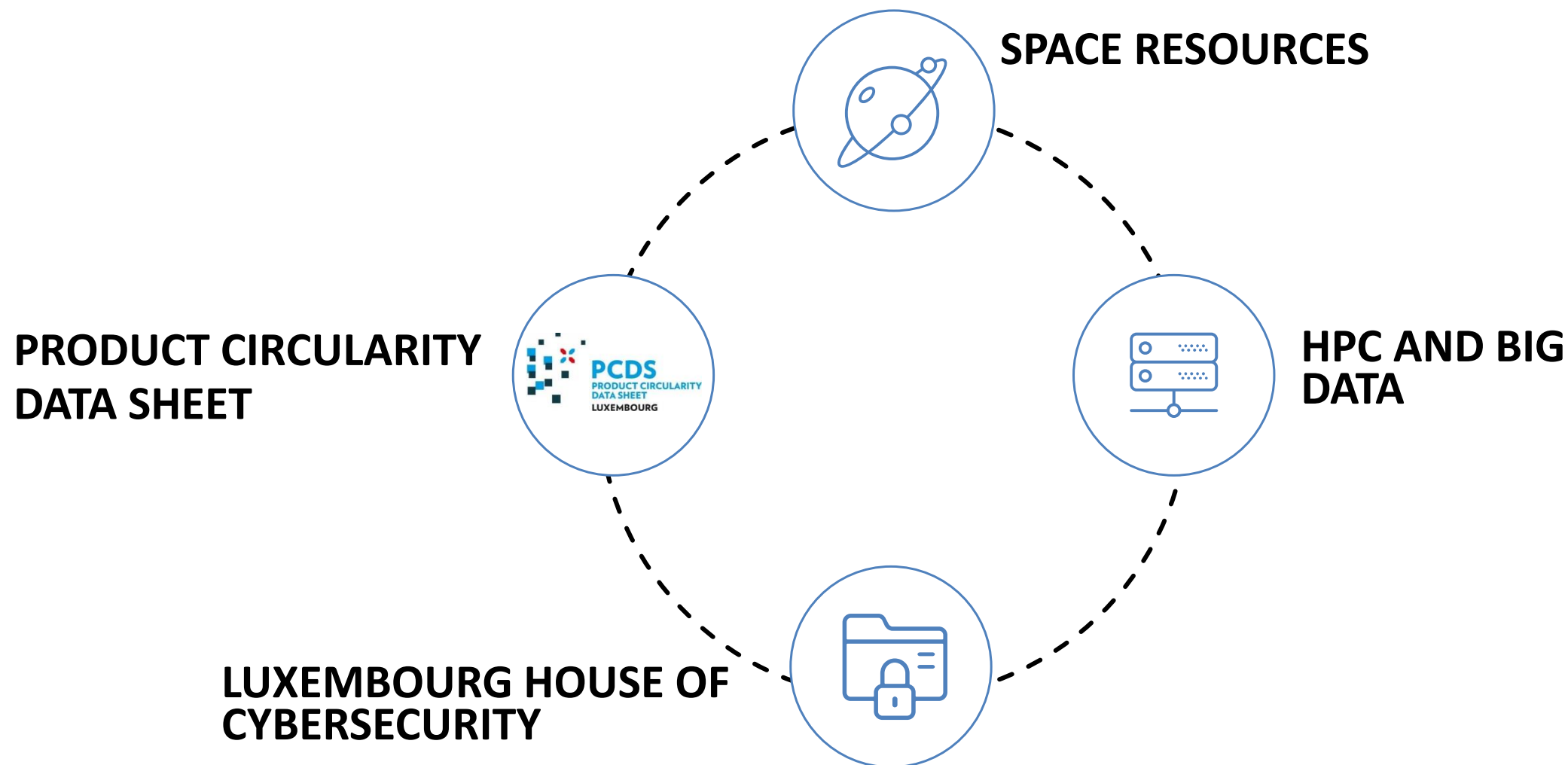
3rd

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ATTRACTING TALENTS

IMD World Talent Ranking
Index 2024

Key initiatives driving data innovation, sustainability and trust



A complete framework to develop the space sector

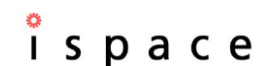


With its **SpaceResources.lu** initiative, Luxembourg has positioned itself as the European hub in the global space resources economy.

They have already
chosen Luxembourg

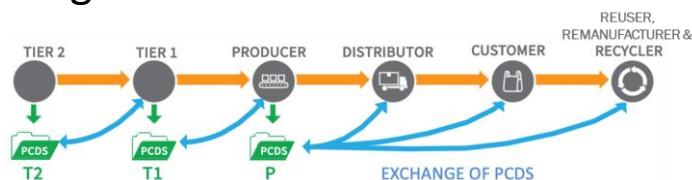


Luxembourg is an international platform for commercial space development. Satellite operator SES was established in Luxembourg 30 years ago and is now a major global player in its field.



Circularity Dataset initiative (www.pcds.lu)

Establish an intl. Standard on communicating circular product properties using a common language and promoting circular design and business models



Solution: three fold system PCDS



A data template with standardized product information on the circularity properties without infringing Intellectual Property



A third-party verification process to validate the content of the PCDS



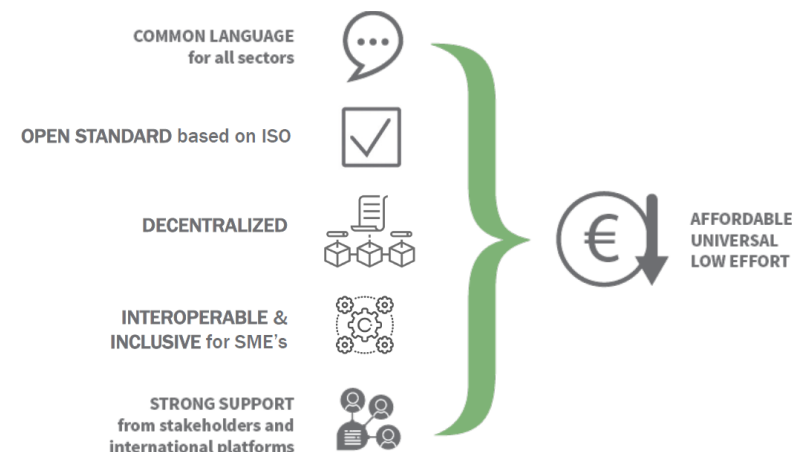
A standardized IT exchange protocol & format to share efficiently trusted data without relying on a centralized database



+50 Participants from 12 countries



What makes PCDS system effective?



MELUXINA-Q

 **LUX
PROVIDE**
NEXT-LEVEL INSIGHTS WITH
SUPERCOMPUTING



Luxembourg has its own supercomputer, an upcoming MeluXina-AI, an upcoming quantum module MeluXina-Q and an AI Factory.

Turning Europe into an AI continent



Luxembourg was one of the initiators of the EuroHPC initiative, which aims to build Europe's world-class HPC/HPDA/AI/Quantum infrastructure.

Luxembourg is at the forefront of Data/AI/Quantum.

While most HPCs are pure research centres, Luxembourg makes its capacity also available to start-ups and SMEs.

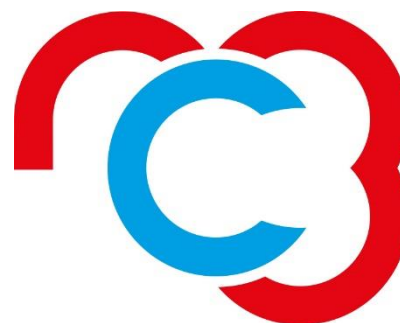
Special offer for start-ups
€25.000 credits for free or up to 80% cashback.



The LHC is the backbone of leading-edge **cyber resilience** in Luxembourg and acts as a bridge between industry & institutions with the aim of fostering a secure and thriving open data economy.

2 Hosted Centers:

- CIRCL (Computer Incident Response Center Luxembourg)
- NC3 (National Cybersecurity Competence Center)



nc3.lu

National Cybersecurity
Competence Center
LUXEMBOURG

An international location

- One of the most proficient **English-speaking** nations in the world *
- 3 national languages - French, German, Luxembourgish
47% of foreign residents and **170+ nationalities**

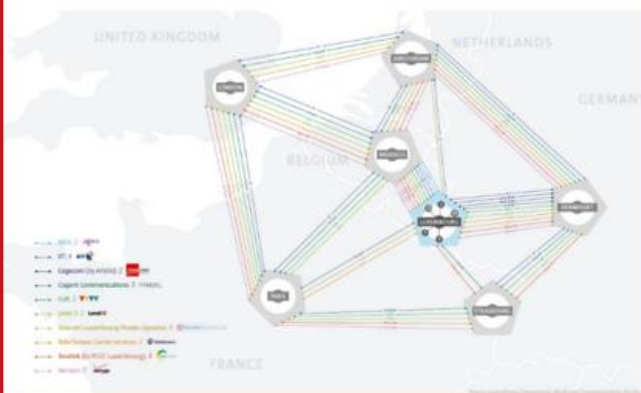
An attractive country

- Living in Luxembourg gives you access to:
 - High-quality public healthcare and social system
 - Free International public schools (English, French, German)
 - Free university courses
 - Free public transportation



ICT INFRASTRUCTURE

Ultra-low latency hub,
supported by 28 different
international fiber routes and
8 Tier IV data centres.



Fintech

Leading international financial
centre with a strong fintech
ecosystem.



INDUSTRY 4.0

Host to R&D centres and
production plants of major
industrial players.

ArcelorMittal

DUPONT

GOODYEAR

HUSKY

INDUSTRY



DIGITAL



LOGISTICS



EU INSTITUTIONS



- Gateway to Europe for major payment firms





securityandtrust.lu

Collaborates with more than 40 partners in cybersecurity, fintech, space systems, IOT, Autonomous Vehicles...



Focus on neurodegenerative diseases with a strong bioinformatics, computational and systems biology approach.

Over 6.000 students
from more than 100
different countries



**20th worldwide in
Young University
ranking**

(Times Higher Education 2024)



Biomedical sciences research with strong expertise in oncology, infection and immunity.



LISER's public research focuses on social and economic policies, including their spatial dimension.



Research and Technology Organisation active in the fields of materials, environment and IT.

STARTUPS

ICT, Space, FinTech, HealthTech,
CleanTech, Cybersecurity...

700+

FINANCING

Growth programmes, pitching
contests, national subsidies, business
angels, banks, VCs...

15+

INCUBATION

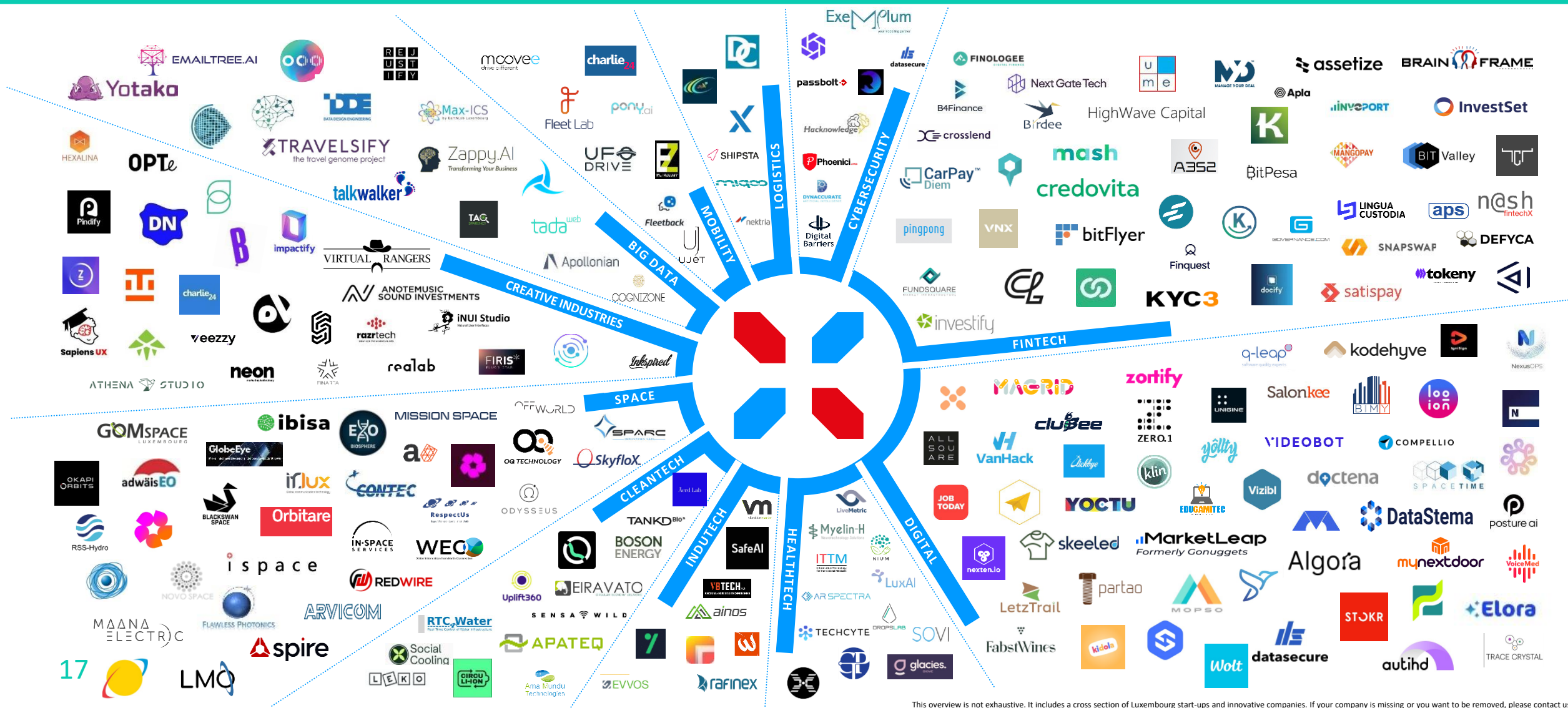
Incubators, Accelerators, Innovation
hubs...

EVENTS

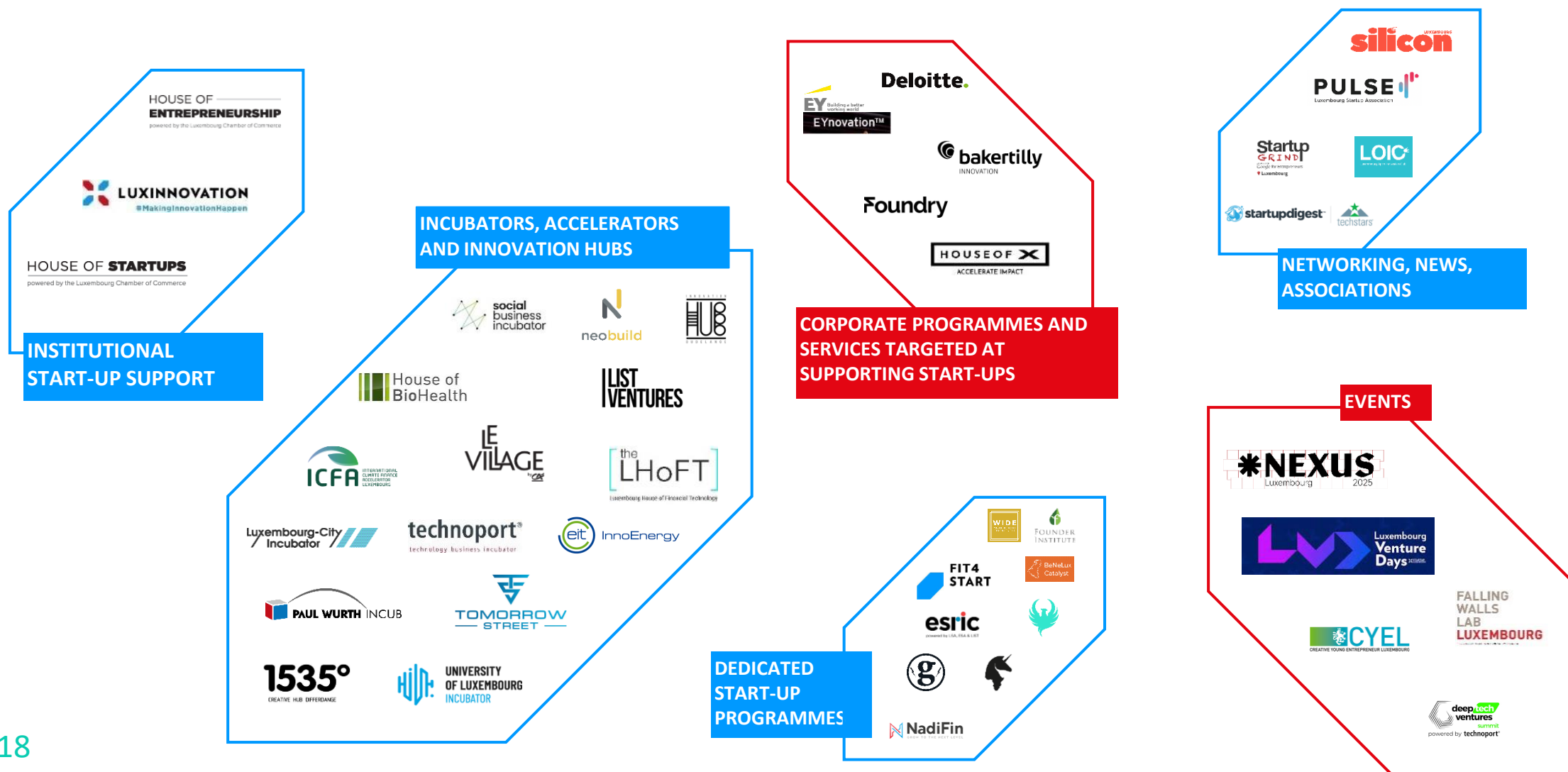
International fairs with more than
5.000 attendees and numerous
thematic events.

Startup ecosystem

They grew-up from Luxembourg



This overview is not exhaustive. It includes a cross section of Luxembourg start-ups and innovative companies. If your company is missing or you want to be removed, please contact us.



FIT 4 START – Acceleration programme



The fast lane to join Luxembourg's startup ecosystem

- Up to 150,000€ in equity free funding
- Free access to co-working spaces
- Visibility



ORBITAL VENTURES €120M

Investing in space-related companies



YOUNG INNOVATIVE ENTREPRISE



Support for high growth start-ups matching equity investments from private investors up to €800 K

DIGITAL TECH FUND - €20 M (2016) + €20M (2024)

Public-Private seed fund financing start-ups



R&D AND INNOVATION

Financial aid in the form of subsidies for R&D and Innovation projects.

Up to 50% co-funding, on a reimbursement basis.

Luxinnovation provides tailor-made support services to help companies meet the admission criteria.

SNCI

SNCI is a public-law banking institution.

It focuses on the mid and long-term financing of Luxembourgish companies by providing loans to foster investment and innovation.

LUXEMBOURG FUTURE FUND

Investing in international technology focused SMEs and VC Funds developing activities in Luxembourg.



- Luxembourg Future Fund 1 - €150M

- Luxembourg Future Fund 2 - €200M (2023)



National roadmap: From seed to scale



LE GOUVERNEMENT
DU GRAND-DUCHÉ DE LUXEMBOURG
Ministère de l'Économie

Focusing on 5 dimensions:

- Continuing early-stage startup support
- A national ecosystem that is better connected, stronger and more visible
- Improving access to talent for startups and scale-ups
- Creating the right environment for scale-ups
- A start-up ecosystem anchored at the heart of the European Union



**ACTION
POINTS FOR
START-UPS**

1

Introduce a **tax credit for investment in young innovative companies** by individual taxpayers, to promote and encourage the development of these young innovative companies



2

Facilitate the creation and financing of deep tech **spin-offs** while further developing **sectorial incubators** in strategic sectors of economic diversification such as automobility, healthtech and space



3

Set in place a **dedicated programme for fast growing scale-ups** and create a group of Entrepreneurs in Residence to support their international development



4

Assess the opportunity, feasibility and the most relevant and innovative financial programs to **channel further investment to venture capital**, including but not limited to the development of fintechs



5

Enable a tax environment favourable to talent attraction and retention, such as the existing tax regime for **highly skilled and qualified expat workers**, while also working towards a dedicated tax-advantaged employee share option scheme



6

Create a **talent desk**, which will be the first point of contact for advising and guiding foreign talent looking to join a Luxembourg based start-up or scale-up



7

Leverage on the expertise of the financial center to **further attract fintechs** to Luxembourg and **increase general VC representation**. Develop an **AI Experience Center** housed at the LHOFT

8

Implement the **AI Factory project** in Luxembourg in particular within the financial, space, cybersecurity and sustainability sectors

9

Establish the **Luxembourg Venture Days as a leading international event** to connect start-ups and scale-ups with investors



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LHOFT and Startup Luxembourg will develop a series of events to connect the Fintech community with priority innovation sectors such as space, healthtech, automobility and digital technologies connecting relevant stakeholders to **increase cross-sectorial connectivity and synergies**



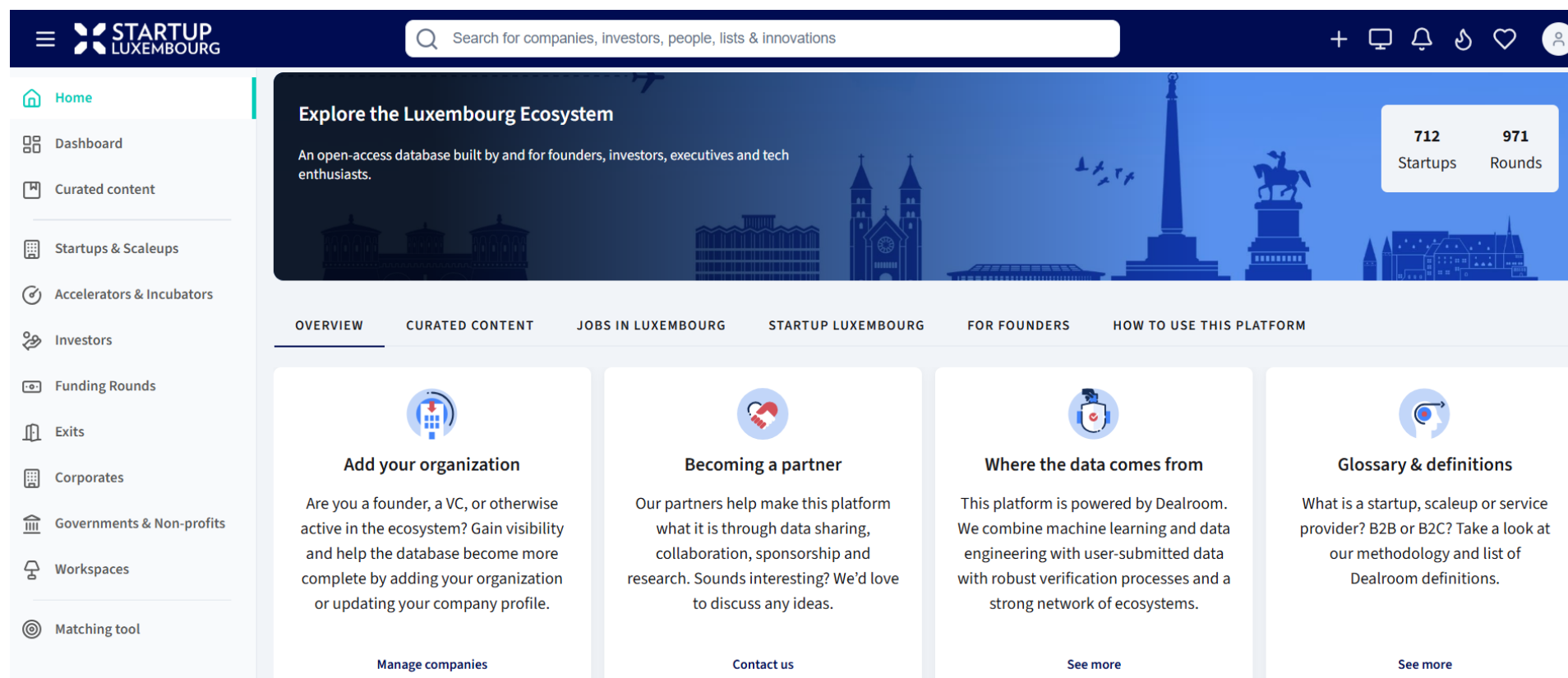

THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG
Ministry of the Economy


THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG
Ministry of Finance

- Published in March 2025
- Builds on the framework provided by the “Seed to Scale” roadmap
 - The Ministry of the Economy and the Ministry of Finance are moving forward to provide concrete support to start-ups and scale-ups emphasizing their role as key vector of innovation for our economy.
- Outlines specific and tangible measures to be implemented
 - Provision of effective support to the current early-stage start-ups
 - Clear focus to support scale-ups in their ambition to grow their innovative solutions to Europe from Luxembourg.
 - Strengthening local ecosystem through innovation, financing and global visibility as a key European start-up and scale-up hub

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Discover all our players, including startups and investors, on our ecosystem platform
(startupluxembourg.com)



The screenshot shows the Startup Luxembourg ecosystem platform interface. The header features the Startup Luxembourg logo, a search bar, and navigation icons. The left sidebar lists various sections: Home, Dashboard, Curated content, Startups & Scaleups, Accelerators & Incubators, Investors, Funding Rounds, Exits, Corporates, Governments & Non-profits, Workspaces, and Matching tool. The main content area is titled "Explore the Luxembourg Ecosystem" and includes a description: "An open-access database built by and for founders, investors, executives and tech enthusiasts." It also displays statistics: 712 Startups and 971 Rounds. Below this, there are four featured sections: "Add your organization" (with a "Manage companies" link), "Becoming a partner" (with a "Contact us" link), "Where the data comes from" (with a "See more" link), and "Glossary & definitions" (with a "See more" link).

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