

Press release

YPOG advises Planet A Ventures on the closing of its € 160 million impact fund

Hamburg, March 21, 2023 – YPOG has comprehensively advised Planet A Ventures on the launch of its impact fund with an investment volume of \in 160 million. The YPOG team around Julian Albrecht notably consisted of Theresia M. R. Heinrich, Lennart Lorenz and Stefanie Nagel.

Among the investors are Allianz Investment Management, BMW, KfW Capital, REWE and the Danish state investment fund Vaekstfonden. In addition, the fund is supported by well-known serial entrepreneurs such as Rolf Schrömgens (Trivago Co-Founder) Maximilian Backhaus (Global CMO HelloFresh) and Rubin Ritter (Ex-Zalando Co-CEO).

The fund impresses with its scientific approach to impact investing. Planet A Ventures boasts a dedicated scientific team which carries out so-called "life cycle analyses" as part of the fund's due diligence process. In addition to CO2 emissions, this form of analysis takes into account the protection of biodiversity, resource savings and waste reduction, among other factors.

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About Planet A Ventures:

Planet A Ventures is a venture capital fund investing in European green tech startups that have a significant positive impact on our planet. As a venture capital fund, Planet A aims to contribute to an economy within the planetary boundaries. Planet A supports innovation in four key areas: Climate change mitigation, waste reduction, resource conservation and biodiversity protection. As the first European VC, Planet A bases its investment decisions on scientific lifecycle analysis and supports founders to scale their impact. Investments include traceless materials (plastic alternatives), Ineratec (e-fuels), C1 (green methanol), GA Drilling (geothermal), 44.01 (carbon storage) and Makersite (supply chain decarbonization). More information about the investment approach is available via Planet A's website: https://planet-a.com/about/

About YPOG

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