



Wingly raises 2m€ to get you in the air

Paris, Mai 3rd, 2018 - - The flight sharing platform Wingly announces a successful seed fundraiser of 2 million euros to strengthen its leader position on the European market and expand in new countries. Only 8 months after receiving its certification to operate all over Europe, well known angel investors such as Philipp Rösler (former vice chancellor of Germany and private pilot) or Stephane Mayer (former CEO of Daher Socata & ATR, private pilot and board member of the AOPA) invested in this round alongside the VC fund Howzat Partners.

"My investment in Wingly came from the conviction that Wingly will inspire many people," says investor Philipp Rösler because "flight sharing combines the fascination of flying with the pragmatic approach of the sharing economy."

With the fresh capital the company shall double its size and grow to a team of around 30 people to scale and develop its technology to new markets. Nearly a dozen job positions are currently open, e.g. web developers and content managers, to help speed up the development of Wingly.

"Our growing community clearly confirms the trend. With fresh capital, we can now further accelerate our concept and boost general aviation in Europe", says cofounder Emeric de Waziers "On the long term, flight sharing won't only help increasing the flight hours but also spark interest in aviation to the wider public so that the number of pilots in Europe will rise even further. Flying is the oldest dream of mankind, we shouldn't forget that."

The success of Wingly is visible: active in 3 markets (England, France & Germany), the platform already hosts more than 150 000 users, including 10,000 pilots who have saved more than 500 000 € of costs by sharing their flights. More than 60,000 flights are currently available to be booked. Besides that, Wingly was able to establish a unified and clear European regulation with the European Agency for Aviation Safety (EASA). Together with Allianz Global

Corporate & Speciality, the platform also offers a complimentary, additional insurance to every Wingly flight on small planes.

About Wingly

Wingly is Europe's leading flight sharing platform, building a global and trusted community for private pilots and passengers. A real pioneer, Wingly has introduced general aviation to collaborative economy.

Through our digital platform, we connect private pilots flying with empty seats with passengers so they can share the costs of a flight. Pilots are able to share their passion for flying and passengers can discover beautiful landscapes from the sky or reach their touristic destination in an extraordinary way. Wingly has 200,600 users registered so far, including 13,500 pilots, and has conducted over 13,000 flights since its launch in 2015. We are democratising mankind's oldest dream of by making private flying a unique and accessible experience for everyone.

Wingly has raised € 2.5 million from a venture capital investor (Howzat Partners) and several private investors such as Philipp Rösler (former German Vice-Chancellor and private pilot) or Stéphane Mayer (CEO of Nexter). Wingly is the winner of the Techcrunch Startup Battlefield at Vivatech in 2018.

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