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**GLOBAL FUNDRAISING STAGE:
CAPITALISING ON WBAF’S EXTENSIVE NETWORK OF GLOBAL INVESTORS FOR
STARTUPS, SCALEUPS AND SMEs**

Applications now being accepted for the Global Fundraising Stage GFRS 2022: WBAF provides a unique opportunity to 100 selected startups and scaleups to pitch their businesses on the Global Fundraising Stage at the World Congress of Angel Investors WBAF 2022 on 25 – 26 October 2022 in Antalya, Turkey. Global Fundraising Stage, an international co-investment platform, supported by the WBAF Angel Investment Fund.

The economic challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic made it more difficult than ever for startups to reach out for finance – smart or otherwise. WBAF’s response to this issue has been to strengthen its focus on developing innovative financial instruments for entrepreneurs and SMEs as a part of its global agenda.

An affiliated partner of the G20 Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion (GPII), one way WBAF does this is through its Global Fundraising Stage, an international co-investment platform, supported by the WBAF Angel Investment Fund. The ultimate goal is to create a high-quality portfolio with some of the world’s most promising startups, scaleups and, at the same time, create opportunities for co-investment and follow-on investments. An additional goal is to connect the best startups with the best angel investors, making it possible for the startups to benefit from the know-how, networks, and mentoring of qualified investors.

The Global Fundraising Stage is designed to capitalize on the worldwide growth in entrepreneurial activity and venture financing for startups and scaleups and to capitalize on WBAF’s extensive network of global investors. These include angel investors, private equity funds, co-investment platforms, wealth management institutions, family offices, VCs, and acceleration centers.

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The mission is to showcase the world’s top startups and scaleups, which, typically, are funded companies in the process of raising €50K – €3M, with the aim of globalising.

Quick Facts - Global Fundraising Stage (GFRS)

- The Global Fundraising Stage (GFRS) is an international co-investment platform for investors, startups, scaleups and high-growth businesses which are aiming to globalise by raising funds from qualified investors.

- The GFRS aims to create a high-quality portfolio with some of the world's most promising startups and scaleups and, at the same time, create opportunities for co-investment and follow-on investments. The GFRS also connects top startups with the best angel investors, making it possible for the startups to benefit not only from the investment but also from the know-how, mentorship and networks of qualified investors.
- The GFRS is designed to capitalise on the worldwide growth in entrepreneurial activity and venture financing for startups and scaleups and to benefit from WBAF's extensive network of global investors. Among these are angel investors, private equity funds, co-investment platforms, wealth management institutions, family offices, VCs, and acceleration centres.
- GFRS provides a unique opportunity to 100 selected startups and scaleups to pitch their businesses at World Congress of Angel Investors WBAF 2022 on 25 – 26 October 2022 in Antalya, Turkey. [It is important to note that the WBAF Angel Investment Fund is only one of many investors and investing institutions that will be present at GFRS 2022.]
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- The 2022 Global Fundraising Stage is supported by the WBAF Angel Investment Fund, which aims to invest in the top startups of GFRS 2022.



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