

EIB Venture Debt as Growth Capital



Who is Venture Debt for?



You are an **innovation-driven** company with growth driven by the value of your own intellectual property



You are a start-up or mid-cap with **less than 3,000 employees** and growing



You have already raised **Series B/C equity** and your company needs additional financing to accelerate growth



Strong and sustainable business model, professional management team and established corporate governance



Investments to be financed are located in the **EU**

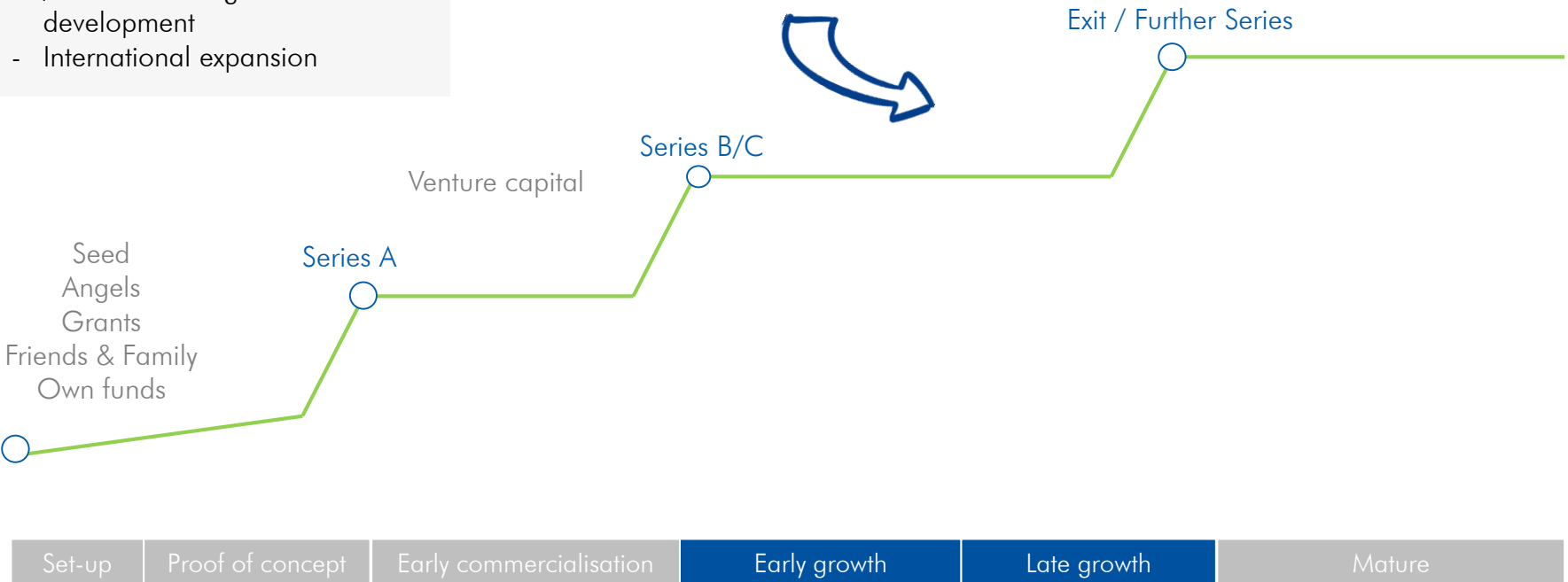


When is the right moment to finance with Venture Debt?

Venture Debt is a long-term financing provided to an early-stage, usually venture-backed company.

Example situations that can be financed with Venture Debt:

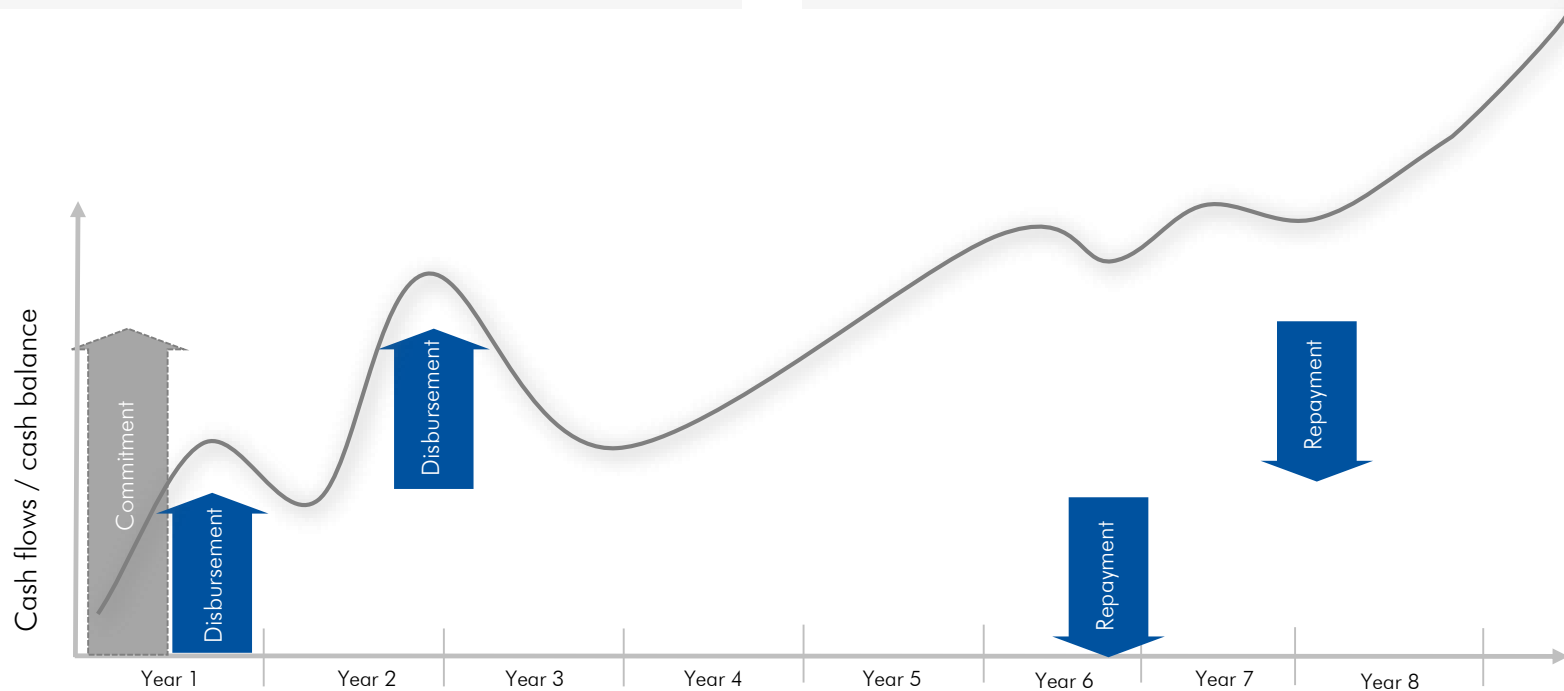
- Scale-up from pilot to mass manufacturing
- Further development of products / services through research and development
- International expansion



Structure

- Up-front commitment of the full amount and gradual disbursements
- Large tickets (EUR 7.5m – EUR 50m)
- Long availability (30 months or longer)

- Bullet structure (non-amortising)
- Long maturity (each tranche disbursed maturing 4-6 years after disbursement)



Advantages to stakeholders



Companies

- ❖ Increase runway to next milestone or funding round
- ❖ Extend runway to cash positive
- ❖ Provide cushion



Founders

- ❖ Limited dilution
- ❖ Maintain control
- ❖ Extend time between next funding round
- ❖ Hands-off approach with no direct involvement



Investors

- ❖ Complementary to existing equity investment
- ❖ IRR enhancement
- ❖ Maintain control
- ❖ Long-term loans match timing of investment

EIB's Venture Debt – a snapshot

Reviewed



2,000
cases p.a.

Financed



100+
companies
to date

Signed



€2.1bn
transactions

R&D based
projects
supported



€4.9bn

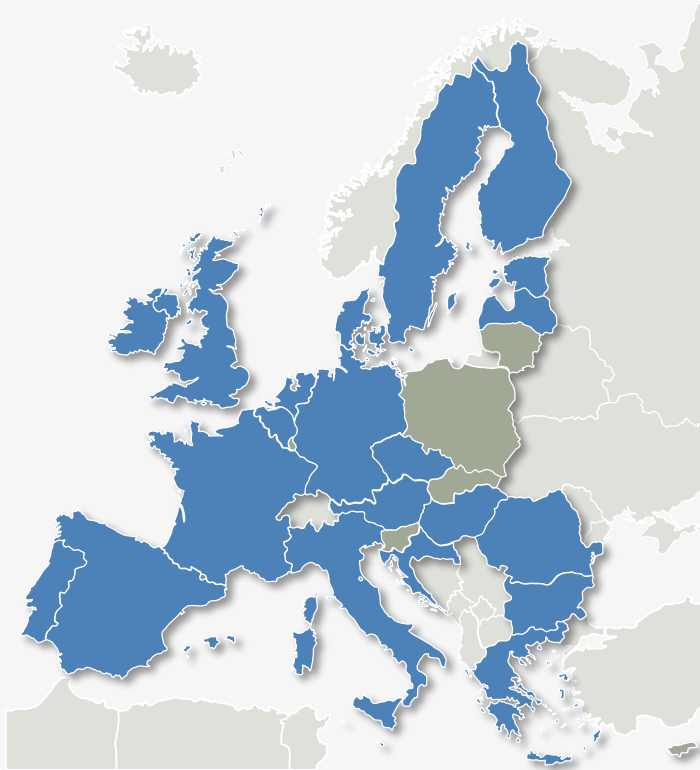
Jobs created
(mainly R&D)



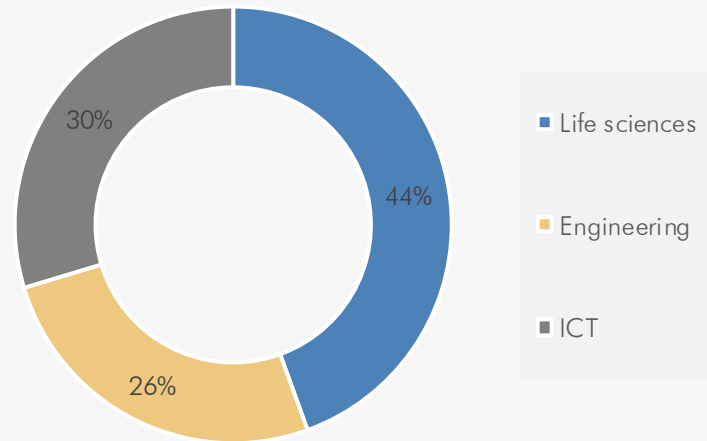
more than **11,000**

EIB's Venture Debt – coverage

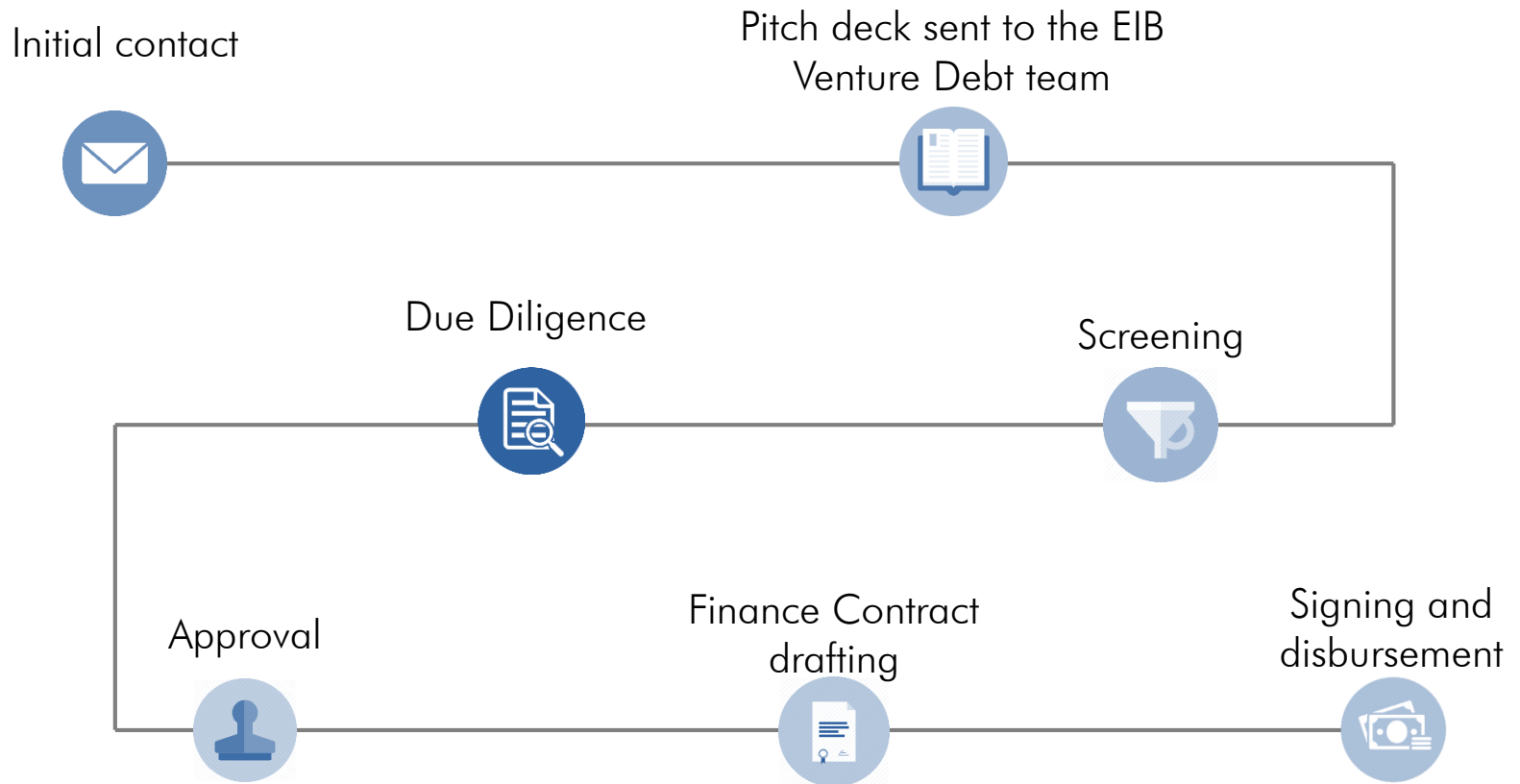
Transactions signed in **22** EU countries



Targets **innovation** driven sectors:
robotics, deep-tech, AI, biotech, medtech



Process



A few lessons learned from the winners

“ BEFORE ANYTHING ELSE,
PREPARATION IS THE KEY
TO SUCCESS.

Alexander Graham Bell

BUSINESS STRATEGY

- The Company develops rather than adopts technology
- Roadmap for scale up
- Clear competitive advantages and high barriers to entry
- No marketing myopia: well defined market
- Sustainability of the business model over at least 5-8 years

MANAGEMENT

- Professional management
- Corporate governance structure in place
- Clear separation of functions: HR, CFO, CTO, Sales, CEO
- Strong investors

QUALITY OF INFORMATION

- Documents [translated] in English
- Audited accounts
- Clear business plan with financial forecasts
- Technology already validated by 3rd parties
- Good quality of information (structured, relevant, to the point) significantly speeds up the process

Our Venture Debt portfolio



MOBIDIAG



valneva



Cleantech



Med tech



Fintech



Other tech



Fiber optics



Software



How to apply for venture debt financing

Send us an email at
venturedebt@eib.org

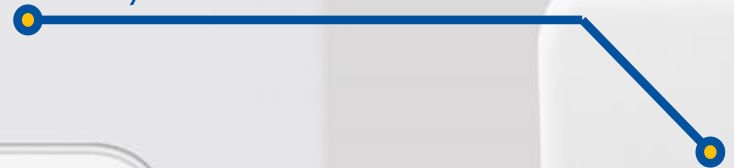
Please include:

- Short description of your company & business model
- High level financial information
- Details on equity raised so far
- Pitch deck (if available)
- Financing amount sought
- Completed *Eligibility Criteria Form* (available at eib.org/venture-debt)

APPENDIX: Indicative Terms and Structure

Eligible investee	Companies with up to 3,000 employees
Eligible project	Investment project related to the growth of the company and may include expenses such as: capex, opex related to growth, acquisition of assets (other than land), permanent increase in working capital, market expansion etc.
Co-investment	EIB finances maximum 50% of eligible project costs, co-investment with third-party sources or own resources
Ticket	EUR 7.5m – EUR 50m
Tenor and repayment	Usually 4 to 6 years after drawdown; repaid either as bullet at maturity or under an amortizing structure
Availability	Tranches are available for disbursement up to 30 months after signature (or longer in specific cases)
Pricing	May include one or more of the following, in relation to risk undertaken: - typically equity-linked instrument (warrants) or profit participation and / or - cash / capitalized interest
Security	Un/Secured
Fees	Certain fees applicable
Appraisal	Usually between 5 and 7 months

we financed this



€20m
growth stage
venture debt financing to
tado°
smart thermostats



we financed this

€12m
growth stage
venture debt financing to

CANATU

flexible touchscreens

we financed this



€15m
growth stage
venture debt financing to

SKELE+ON
TECHNOLOGIES

ultracapacitor energy storage



we financed this

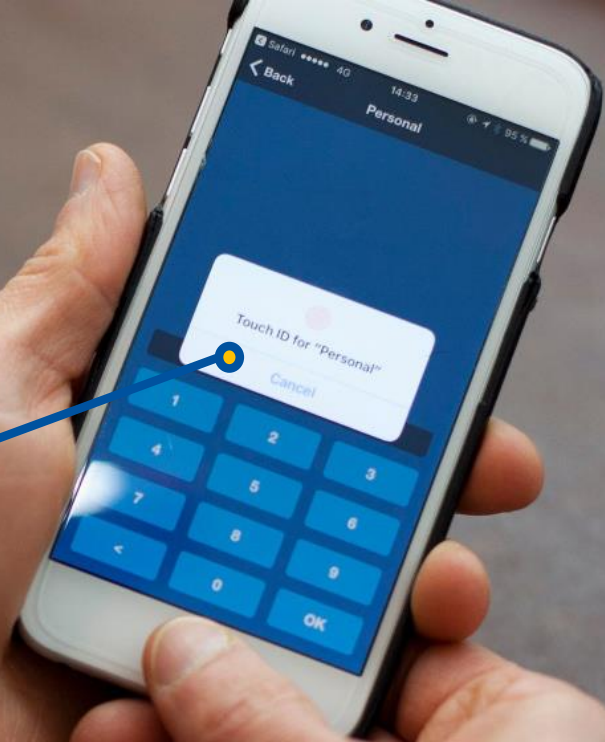
€30m
growth stage
venture debt financing to

NAVYA
be fluid

100% autonomous and electric
vehicles



we financed this



€29m
growth stage
venture debt financing to



identity management

we financed this

€25m
growth stage
venture debt financing to

valneva

vaccines against lyme disease