

YPOG advises Alpine Eagle on successful funding round

Berlin, March 10, 2025 – YPOG has advised the Munich-based defense technology startup Alpine Eagle on its €10.25 million seed funding round. The round was led by IQ Capital, with participation from HTGF, Expeditions Fund, and Sentris Capital. Existing investors General Catalyst and HCVC, who had already supported the company's pre-seed round, also participated in this financing round.

Alpine Eagle is developing the world's first AI-powered counter-drone defense system that operates directly from the air rather than from the ground. This unique approach makes the system harder to target itself and provides an effective, scalable complement to existing ground-based defense systems. With its innovative technology, Alpine Eagle offers a cost-efficient solution to counter the growing threat posed by unmanned aerial vehicles.

The company's proprietary Sentinel technology integrates machine learning, sensors, and computer vision to detect, classify, and neutralize hostile drones at an early stage. The system is highly adaptable and can be integrated into existing drone platforms, making it suitable for various operational scenarios.

With the newly secured funding, Alpine Eagle will further advance the development of Sentinel, incorporating additional sensor technology to enhance detection and countermeasure precision against autonomous threats. The funds will also support the company's international expansion, particularly in European markets that are significantly increasing their investments in defense technologies. Alpine Eagle has already secured the German military as its first customer and achieved seven-digit revenues within its first year.

Looking ahead, the company aims to further Europeanize its supply chain by exclusively sourcing components from European manufacturers. Beyond military applications, potential civilian use cases include the protection of sports venues, critical infrastructure, and border security.

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About Alpine Eagle

Founded in 2023 by Jan-Hendrik Boelens and Timo Breuer, Alpine Eagle specializes in AI-driven counter-drone defense technology. The company develops software-based defense solutions for military and civilian applications and works with customers such as the German military (Bundeswehr).

Further information: www.alpineeagle.ai

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