

# PRESS RELEASE

# 10.5 million euros invested in two innovative projects selected by the FUI and accredited by Capenergies

Within the scope of the FUI's<sup>1</sup> 23<sup>rd</sup> call for projects, two projects supported by the Capenergies competitive cluster and accredited by its committee of experts have been selected for their innovative content and potential economic benefits.

Focusing on energy efficiency in industrial and transportation ecosystems, the two projects involve a total of 19 stakeholders - SMEs, multinational corporations and research organisations - from the energy sector.

These two projects, representing a total budget of 10.5 million euros, will be subsidised to the tune of 3.3 million euros by the French local authorities.

Both these projects will culminate in the entry of new innovative products and associated services onto the market which should reap significant economic rewards in terms of job creation and generated revenue, especially in the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur region.

With a 100% success rate in this national call for projects, Capenergies is demonstrating its commitment to accelerating the deployment of innovation and the growth of French companies within strategic energy sectors, and is forging stronger links with other clusters in similar business segments.

Since its creation at the end of 2016, the Capenergies competitive cluster has funded 361 projects, representing a total budget of 1,353 million euros, and secured 478 million euros of financial aid.

The two selected projects - PLUG & WET and FALCON - are outlined below.

#### PLUG & WET II

#### INNOVATIVE INTEGRATED HUMIDIFICATION AND LINT CAPTURE SYSTEMS FOR INDUSTRIAL LOOMS

The PLUG & WET project aims to reduce water and energy consumption in industrial weaving processes. It involves the development of new humidification and lint trap systems designed to be integrated in looms.

Capenergies partners: OSMOSE and ARECO, both located in the Côte d'Azur region

Capenergies, co-accreditation cluster alongside the Techtera and ViaMéca clusters

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FUI: French government funding agency

#### **FALCON**

#### FLEXIBLE & AERODYNAMIC TRUCK FOR LOW CONSUMPTION

The purpose of the FALCON project is to develop a fuel efficient truck and trailer combination intended for heavy goods haulage over long distances or in peri-urban areas. The technological developments in terms of the aerodynamics, tyres, steering aids, lubricant and heat recovery system will be integrated in a demonstration vehicle before being tested in real conditions.

Capenergies partners: BENOMAD and ENOGIA, from the Côte d'Azur region and Provence respectively

Capenergies, co-accreditation cluster alongside the LUTB and Mov'eo clusters

### **About Capenergies**

## A network of energy transition stakeholders working towards sustainable territories

The Capenergies competitive cluster brings together a network of 520 members and almost 1500 specialist energy partners, including major industrial corporations, businesses, research and educational organisations and financial backers. The Capenergies network is the foundation on which to build a robust ecosystem to drive economic growth and boost competitiveness across the low-carbon energy sectors in Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur, Corsica, Guadeloupe, Reunion and the Principality of Monaco. The cluster focuses on three strategic priorities - energy efficiency, energy management and the production of zero carbon energy - in three types of territory: urban and metropolitan, rural and mountain regions, and remote and island communities.

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