Dear			,

I am writing to invite you to the <u>Balkan Venture Forum</u> in **Bosnia and Herzegovina**, to be held on **15 & 16 May 2014.** In the 5th edition, we are uniting 40 emerging companies (ICT, Cleantech & Life sciences) and 30 international expert investors for a two-day pitching, idea sharing and matchmatching event. Investors like **DFJ Esprit, Intel Capital, RSG Capital, EBRD and many more** have already confirmed their attendance to the event.

The program has been designed to accelerate deal-flow, partnering and networking of the highest level. Plus, the Award Winners (top 25%) will get direct access to pitch at the prestigious **European Venture Summit**. The previous year the <u>European Venture Summit</u> counted more than 100 active investors and 117 award winners from all Europe Unlimited's regional events.

Two previous Award Winners of the Balkan Venture Forum have also been announced Award Winners of the **EVS**:

- Ljupcho Antovski <u>iVote</u> (BkVF Tirana)
- Asparuh Koev Transmetrics (BkVF -Sofia)

<u>Register here</u> before **31 March**, and submit your **company profile and presentation**. Get selected as one of the 40 companies and pitch in front of Balkan and international venture capitalists and corporate investors.

Since the start of the Balkan Venture Forum in April 2012, we had great success with:

- 130 + startups
- 80+ investors
- 1500+ attendees

Your benefits will include:

- A half-day coaching session at the <u>Venture Academy</u> (14 May 2014), to be prepared for the pitch
- Pitching your idea to top active European and regional VC funds
- Networking opportunities with corporate investors, venture capitalists & fast-growing companies
- Pre-arranged One2one meetings between them and investors
- Short profile published on the <u>VIBE-database</u>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards, Jitske van Os

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