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UTILE announces its Partnering Summit 11 July 2019

UTILE project will gather in London promising health and life science projects funded under FP7 and Horizon 2020 to present their results to investors.

BRUSSELS, June 14 2019 – UTILE Project, funded by the European Commission under the H2020 Funding Programme, is pleased to announce the **UTILE Industry & Investor Partnering Summit London**, where selected UTILE projects will have the opportunity to present to an audience and jury of Industry, Investors and innovation experts while also receiving expert guidance on:

- Intellectual Property strategies for research result valorization
- Partnering and collaborating with industry partners
- Raising Venture Capital for start-up and growth companies

This event is part of the activities aiming at supporting promising health and life science projects funded under FP7 and Horizon 2020 by offering them **valorisation support for their research results**.

The agenda

The morning will feature workshops with presentations and interactive discussions on these topics, as well as networking to connect European funded health innovation projects and SMEs with experts from industry, venture capital, intellectual property, entrepreneurship and innovation. Confirmed expert speakers include:

- Mark Wilson, Managing Director, Strategic Technology Bioconsulting. Mr. Wilson is a professional with an extensive track record in industry business development, finance, in and out-licensing, and start-up development.
- **Paul Tully**, Partner, McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff LLP. Mr. Tully is a PhD chemist and Partner and Firm Co-Chair at leading US IP firm MBHB LLP, based in Chicago and with a regular presence in London to support European clients.
- James Baillieu, Corporate Partner, Bird & Bird. Mr. Baillieu is a corporate partner based in London and advising clients ranging from start-ups to multinationals, investment banks and private equity funds on M&A, IPO's, securities offerings, private equity and venture capital investments.

Furthermore, leading experts from technology transfer, industry, venture capital, and other innovation experts, coaches and mentors will be present as experts and members of the jury.

The afternoon will feature presentations of UTILE selected project managers and start-up CEOs to a panel of experts from industry, venture capital, IP and innovation who provide feedback to presenters.

In addition to access to the morning expert workshops and mentoring, SME's and projects selected to present will have the opportunity to present their company or project to an audience of potential investors, industry partners, experts, advisors and coaches and to receive feedback as well as building contacts needed to commercialize their research results.

The format of the event is designed to maximise opportunities for interaction, network and business development with potential partners, investors and collaborators and leading business coaches and mentors.







The Summit takes place in The Studio at White City Place and the attendance is free of charge however advance registration is required. Click <u>Here</u> to Register.

UTILE project – the marketplace for the health sector

UTILE analysed all finished Health projects within FP7 and H2020 and identifies the research results with the highest potential for further valorisation and exploitation. For the players in the life science and health sector involved in R&D, business development or commercialisation activities UTILE created the EU-Health innovation marketplace an online tool to valorise FP7 Health and Horizon2020 SC1 project results. The Marketplace is the place where Innovation Providers (such as research centres, universities and research groups) and Innovation Developers (such as big pharmaceutical and biotech companies) can meet each other and encourages to work together. The Marketplace provides services and tool boxes to improve the valorisation potential of health research projects and offer matchmaking opportunities with the industry and investors who are therefore able to find promising research ideas, ready to commercialize. For further information about UTILE please visit https://www.health-breakthrough.eu/

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