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Florida Venture Forum Announces Presenting Companies at the annual Florida Venture Capital Conference, Taking Place January 31-February 1, 2019 in St. Petersburg, FL.

Tampa and Miami, FL. - January 14, 2019 - The Florida Venture Forum, Florida’s largest statewide support organization for investors and entrepreneurs, is pleased to announce the companies selected to present and exhibit at its 2019 Florida Venture Capital Conference, being held January 31-February 1, 2019 at the Vinoy Renaissance Resort & Golf Club in St. Petersburg, Florida.

“We received a record number of applications from a variety of companies again this year,” said Jennifer Dunham, partner at Arsenal, chair of the conference selection committee and a board member of the Florida Venture Forum. “This year, the Forum is celebrating its 28th year hosting the Florida Venture Capital Conference which has become the premier venture capital conference in Florida. I am looking forward to attending the conference and commemorating this significant milestone.”

The diverse group of presenters includes companies from throughout the State of Florida and beyond, representing multiple industries and technologies. Presenting companies were selected by a committee of active equity investors. To date, past presenters have raised more than $4.5 billion in equity funding resulting in a total economic impact statewide of approximately three times that amount.

**Central/East Central Florida**

International Screening Solutions, Inc., [www.intlscreening.com/services/worldwatchplus.com](http://www.intlscreening.com/services/worldwatchplus.com), Odessa, is a SaaS risk management platform that delivers automated KYC/CDD/ID solutions for customers in multiple segments, through their www.worldwatchplus.com and www.worldwatchplus.ai platforms. The company serves both regulated and un-regulated markets through variations of their core platform and deliver both data feeds, as well as risk decisioning workflow integration.

**Central West Florida**

IMMERTEC, [www.immertec.com](http://www.immertec.com), Tampa, has created proprietary VR software that allows medical device companies to train physicians in real-time and remotely in an environment that is immersive and interactive.

Intrinio, [www.intrinio.com](http://www.intrinio.com), St. Petersburg, their financial data API is supported by a marketplace of over 300 types of financial data feeds and powers websites, software, bots, dashboards, spreadsheets, apps & algorithms. Developers and engineers from fintech companies, large institutions, hedge funds, and even universities are able to quickly integrate data into anything they are building. Their mission is to use data to power a new generation of fintech innovation.

Marxent, [www.marxent.com](http://www.marxent.com), St. Petersburg, is the leader in Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality for furniture and home decor retailers and manufacturers. Marxent’s 3D Cloud™ is the omnichannel retailer’s go-to solution for 3D visualization. Their world-class suite of AR and VR solutions is the industry leader in helping furniture buyers configure, design and visualize home furnishings in context.
Preferhired, ([www.preferhired.com](http://www.preferhired.com)), St. Petersburg, is a Human Resource & Gig Economy Technology software company, that has built the first online candidate referral marketplace that empowers everyone to help their friends and colleagues find jobs while rewarding them throughout the recruitment process. They equip organizations with tools and support to grow their businesses by accessing talent within their employees’ social and professional networks – doing so, at a fraction of the time and cost of other channels.

SOMA Global, ([www.somaglobal.com](http://www.somaglobal.com)), Largo, is a team of public safety and technology veterans that understands and respects the value of a partnership with an agency. They believe that together they can redefine and deliver modern, best-of-breed public safety solutions with a primary focus on saving lives and protecting first responders.

**Northeast Florida**

Clearsense, LLC, ([www.clearsense.com](http://www.clearsense.com)), Jacksonville, the company provides a scalable data platform that enables real-time insights into clinical, operational and financial metrics. The Clearsense platform provides any organization the ability to aggregate data from disparate sources across any enterprise to leverage an organization’s existing data, incorporate new sources, and through data science, improve outcomes, reduce costs, and accelerate performance.

**Southeast Florida**

CentralBOS, LLC, ([www.cbos.com](http://www.cbos.com)), Boca Raton, provides a SaaS based Business Management Platform with all the tools needed with accounting at its core to allow owners to efficiently run their business in real time. There is one system of truth and has all the tools needed to run the business including finance/accounting, HR/Payroll, inventory, CRM and Sales.

Containerize-it, ([www.containerize-it.com](http://www.containerize-it.com)), Homestead, the company is a partner of COWs Mobile Storage. COWs, over the past nine years, has built a network of 152 physical locations across North America. Containerize-It has access to the COWs Network. Their app is unique to the freight world. Containerize-It has piloted the technology, has aligned itself with a massive final mile and freight network and has the right container to disrupt the land based global freight industry.

8base, ([www.8base.com](http://www.8base.com)), Coral Gables, the company greatly accelerates software development assisting businesses with digital transformation. Their tools equip front-end developers with full-stack capabilities. Their extensibility framework allows developers to add new platform capabilities in an auto-scalable data and computing environment.

EPICA, ([www.epica.ai](http://www.epica.ai)), Miami, is the World’s 1st Predictions as a Service Platform that uses online and offline data to track, analyze, and predict consumer behavior “journeys” with unprecedented granularity and multi-dimensional relevance, yielding deep personalization capability to drive bottom-line sales and generate core business efficiencies to retailers, travel and CPG companies.

Lice Troopers Inc. ([www.licetroopers.com](http://www.licetroopers.com)), Miami, the company is engaged in the lice treatment business. They commenced operations in November 2012. Lice Troopers operates 7 locations, 5 in South Florida and 2 recently opened locations in the Orlando area. The company employs 35 people. All but the COO are female, and nearly all the female employees are mothers. The company seeks funding for continued expansion beyond Florida.
Mela Artisans, (www.melaartisans.com), Boca Raton, is an emerging star among international luxury lifestyle brands in the home décor market, with a unique focus on traditional handcrafted, artisanal products with a contemporary design twist. Targeting style-savvy and socially-conscious Millennials, Gen Xers, and Baby Boomers, the company has achieved strong omnichannel distribution within the U.S. including Neiman Marcus, Bloomingdales and Home Goods in bricks and mortar, and a strong online presence with Wayfair, Zola, One Kings Lane, Houzz, Popsugar and others (including the Company’s own melaartisans.com.)

Neocis Inc., (www.neocis.com), Miami, the company has developed Yomi, the and only robot-assisted surgical system for the dental market. It enables surgeons to plan a case prior to surgery and then provides visual and physical guidance throughout the procedure. The physical guidance is provided via haptic technology, so the surgeon is assisted by a robot arm in achieving the precise position, angle, and depth of a dental implant. Visual guidance provides real-time confirmation, so the surgeon is always aware of their drill position relative to the critical anatomical structures.

Revolve Technology Company, (www.driverevolve.com), Delray Beach, is a technology-driven vehicle subscription platform that enables customers to experience the most sought-after new vehicles on the market without the commitment or hassles of traditional ownership, and at a fraction of the cost of trying to own them all. Every part of the automotive experience that consumers dislike is gone, including fixed terms, maintenance, depreciation and insurance haggling.

Out of State:

eQuility, (www.equility.net), Bellevue, Washington, is an Intellectual Ventures spinout company and is developing an integrated digital therapeutic platform for Major Depressive Disorder (MDD), consisting of a therapeutic software component augmented by a discrete, wearable, non-invasive transcutaneous vagus nerve stimulation device.

Exhibiting Company:

Sunshine Supplements, Inc. DBA B4, (www.drinkb4.com), Orlando, is a pharmacist-created vitamin supplement designed to protect your body against the aftereffects of alcohol. Non-caffeinated, lightly carbonated and filled with powerful nutrients. Drinking a can before your first drink will help you prehydrate, protect your body and wake up to a better day.

About The Florida Venture Forum: The Florida Venture Forum is Florida’s largest statewide support organization for investors and entrepreneurs, helping emerging Florida companies connect with sources of capital from across the country. The organization provides programs statewide throughout the year in addition to hosting the Florida Venture Capital Conference, the Statewide Collegiate Business Plan Competition and the Early Stage Capital Conference. For more information, visit: http://www.flventure.org.

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