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Five Cutting-Edge Tech Companies Selected to Pitch for January 24, 2025 Accelerate Breakfast Investor Event

Fairfax, VA – The Selection Committee of the Accelerate Breakfast Series today announced the selection of five innovative high-tech companies to participate in the first Accelerate breakfast of the new year on January 24, 2025. This dynamic investor event will take place at the MITRE campus, located in McLean, Virginia from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Accelerate aims to provide a platform for emerging tech companies to showcase their groundbreaking ideas and connect with potential investors, partners, and mentors. The selected companies represent a diverse range of sectors, from biomolecular imaging to cybersecurity, and have demonstrated potential for growth and impact in their respective industries.

"We are excited to welcome these five exceptional companies to the Accelerate Breakfast, continuing to build on the success of the program" said Paula Sorrell, Assistant Vice President at George Mason University. "Each of these companies has the potential to make a significant mark in the tech landscape and regional economy. We look forward to hearing their pitches and witnessing their transformative ideas."

The five high-tech companies selected for the Accelerate event are:

[Electro Tempo](#) is a software company focused on revolutionizing electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure planning and deployment. Their core product is an advanced analytics and simulation suite that helps businesses understand and predict EV charging demand by integrating complex data sets including travel patterns, grid assets, land use, demographics, and emissions.

[Evizia](#) is a life science tools company that has developed PRECYSE, an innovative direct biomolecule imaging and analysis platform leveraging high-speed atomic force microscopy (AFM) technology. The platform offers a solution that requires less sample material, provides higher sensitivity, and reduces process complexity compared to traditional gel electrophoresis methods. PRECYSE eliminates indirect measurements, reducing costs, and potentially expanding into future clinical applications.

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[Slip Signal](#) is a cutting-edge technology company that has developed Spectrally Efficient Digital Logic (SEDL), a revolutionary approach to reducing electromagnetic interference (EMI) in electronic circuits. Unlike traditional EMI mitigation methods that rely on filtering and shielding, SEDL provides a native solution by creating digital logic families with intrinsically low electromagnetic emissions. By eliminating the need for external EMI mitigation, SEDL can help electronic devices become smaller, lighter, and more performant, with a business model focused on B2B licensing and royalties targeting semiconductor suppliers and military contractors.

[Thyme](#) is an AI-driven platform designed to transform the workflow of financial advisors by automating time-consuming tasks and enhancing operational efficiency. The company targets the U.S. financial advisory sector, focusing on mid-sized firms and independent advisors, and offers a comprehensive solution that dramatically reduces meeting overhead, accelerates document insights, and streamlines client onboarding. Led by a management team with deep expertise in technology, AI, and wealth management, Thyme empowers financial professionals to save time and be more productive.

[Qwerx](#) is a cybersecurity startup that offers a revolutionary approach to endpoint authentication through its Enterprise Secure Perimeter (QESP) software. The company addresses the critical vulnerabilities of traditional machine identity authentication by eliminating static digital credentials and instead using dynamic, ephemeral keys that are generated locally and immediately erased after each authentication. Their SaaS solution enables continuous device verification, preventing unauthorized network access and scaling to millions of endpoints, including IoT devices.

In addition to the presenting companies, two start-ups were chosen to exhibit: [Saltenna](#), focused on wireless communications in defense tech, and [UpBrains AI](#), an AI supply chain company.

"We are confident that the Accelerate Breakfast Series will foster meaningful connections and spark exciting opportunities for these companies," added Dave Harvey, Executive Director of the series.

In addition, Dr. Gregory Washington, President of George Mason University, will be a featured guest speaker, describing the university's role as a catalyst for business growth and economic development in the region.



For more information about the Accelerate Breakfast Series and to register to attend, please visit: <https://acceleratedeals.org/accelerate-breakfast-series/>. Attendance is limited and subject to security restrictions.

About Accelerate Breakfast Series:

The Accelerate Breakfast Series unites entrepreneurs and investors offering a curated platform for pitch opportunities and expert guidance. Each event will highlight five selected high-growth companies, providing them with a platform to showcase their ventures to a consortium of early-stage investors. During these presentations, companies emphasize crucial aspects of their business models, growth trajectories, and distinctive value propositions. Participating companies are expected to actively seek seed-stage capital within the range of \$500,000 to \$2 million.

About Mason Enterprise:

Mason Enterprise™ is the host to federal, state, and local programs that support a portfolio of more than 30,000 start-ups and small businesses. Last year our companies received over \$3.7 Billion in follow-on funding, and more than 40,000 entrepreneurs, small business owners, students, and research faculty attended our 900+ workshops and educational programs, received individual counseling, were assisted with product development, resided in one of our five incubators, or received intellectual property advice. 62% were women, 42% minority, and 16% veteran-owned businesses.

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