

# Capital-E announces that Rudi Severijns has joined the team as fourth partner.

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Capital-E, an early stage venture fund focusing exclusively on 'enabling micro-electronics', announces that Rudi Severijns has joined the team as fourth partner. Rudi comes from GIMV, where he was an executive investment manager in the ICT group since 2000. Recent investments include CoreOptics (Germany/US) and Virtensys (UK).

Beside the international VC experience, Rudi brings a wealth of industry and technology expertise as well as business development skills to Capital-E. Prior to joining GIMV, Rudi worked for more than 11 years at Siemens (ICT division) in R&D, product marketing and business management. He has held positions in Belgium as well as on a corporate level in Germany, travelling and working throughout Europe, US and Asia. Rudi started his career in 1986 within the Applied Research Labs of Philips in the Netherlands.

"I'm very excited to join the Capital-E team" said Rudi Severijns. "I strongly believe in its unique and dedicated approach. The relation to IMEC itself as well as the access to their leading industry partners provide a strong foundation for building successful ventures".

"The founding team is very pleased as well to have Rudi on board. He brings deep sector knowledge and a vast relation network to the table. Also I have worked many years with Rudi while at GIMV and appreciate him very much, both on a professional and personal level" commented Marc Wachsmuth, co-founder of Capital-E.

This latest appointment follows the recent announcement of Capital-E that it successfully completed its second closing, bringing the total capital commitments for its first time fund up to €48M.

## About Capital-E

Capital-E is an early stage venture fund focused exclusively on micro-electronics related start-ups in Europe. Through its entrenched relationship with IMEC, the largest independent research centre in micro- and nano-electronics in Europe, the fund and its ventures can directly rely on the support of over 1300 specialised scientists and engineers, as well as leverage on IMEC's 500+ worldwide industrial partners such as Philips, Infineon, STMicroelectronics, Intel, Matsushita/Panasonic, Texas Instruments, Samsung and TSMC to speed-up the process of market entry. The fund is managed by an independent team with a balanced mix of entrepreneurial, industrial and VC experience. More information can be obtained at [www.capital-e.be](http://www.capital-e.be).

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