

Press Release

# YPOG advised Atomico on financing round of DeepL

**Berlin, January 16, 2023** – A YPOG team co-led by Benjamin Ullrich and Tobias Lovett advised venture capital investor Atomico on the latest financing round of AI-based language translator DeepL. In addition to Atomico's investment, the round was backed by IVP, Bessemer Venture Partners, and WiL as well as existing investors Benchmark and btov.

The Cologne-based startup emerged from the online dictionary Linguee in 2017 and is currently offering 29 languages. Revenues are primarily generated by paid services which include more functions and data protection options than the free version. The transaction demonstrates the increasing importance of AI-based enterprise models for the market and the professional area.

The new capital will be used for the continued research activities and development of the company's software. In addition, DeepL is working on additional services and features and plans further international expansion.

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Atomico invests in ambitious tech founders at Series A and beyond with a particular focus on Europe, leveraging deep operational experience to supercharge their growth. Founded in 2006, Atomico has partnered with over 100 ambitious teams - including those at Klarna, Supercell, Graphcore, Compass, MessageBird, Masterclass, Attentive Mobile, Pipedrive and Hinge Health. Atomico's team of founders, investors and operational leaders have been responsible for global expansion, hiring and marketing at companies from Skype and Google to Twitter and Uber. The firm currently has \$4 billion in assets under management.

### **About DeepL**

DeepL is a German company that has set itself the goal of eliminating language barriers worldwide by using artificial intelligence. Since 2017, it has offered DeepL Translator on www.DeepL.com, a machine translation system that, according to blind tests, achieves the best translation quality worldwide. It also provides professional products for companies, business people, and translators. So far, more than one billion people have used DeepL's services. The company is managed by founder and CEO Jaroslaw Kutylowski and is backed by world-renowned investors such as Benchmark and btov.

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