



Al deeptech refers to advanced technologies and innovations that combine artificial intelligence (AI) with deep scientific and engineering principles to create groundbreaking solutions.

Unlike traditional AI applications that might focus on incremental improvements or more straightforward implementations, AI deeptech involves the development of complex, often novel algorithms, systems, and hardware that push the boundaries of what AI can achieve.

Al deeptech startups are usually at the cutting edge of technology, developing solutions that require a deep understanding of both Al and the specific scientific domains they are applied to, such as, biotechnology, material science, energy and medical applications. These startups often operate in the pre-revenue stage, focusing on proof-of-concept, prototyping, and early-stage product development before moving to market and are often characterized by long research and development cycles, significant technical risk, and the potential for transformative impact across industries.

This event underwrites the international positioning strategy of the Netherlands and endorses its key philosophy of Solving global challenges together.

Given the complexity and innovation involved, AI deeptech companies often seek specialized funding and support, as they may face longer timelines to commercialization or higher technical hurdles compared to more traditional AI ventures.



Are you the founder of an Al deeptech or academic startup seeking seed or pre-seed funding? If so, this event is designed for you. Finding funding as an Al deeptech startup can be challenging. You're maybe pre-revenue, your go-to-market period tends to be longer or due to high technical complexity.

Startups can apply to be matched with venture firms that specialize in deeptech seed funding. During 20-minute meetings, you'll have the opportunity to present your company, explore your options, receive advice, and network. To be considered, please fill out the application form.

This will help us match you with the most suitable VC firm for your company. Confirmed VC's include LumoLabs, Keen Ventures, Value Creation Capital, Curiosity VC. Selected startups will be invited and given a specific time slot to meet with VCs.

Additionally, one representative from each selected company can request an invite to the VIP dinner.

## <u>APPLICATION FORM</u>

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