

Press Release

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Vonovia joins ATechX, forming a strategic partnership to drive innovation in the proptech sector.

- **Vonovia becomes a strategic partner of ATechX, Aroundtown's accelerator.**
- **Focus areas: smart living, energy efficiency, digitalization, and IoT.**
- **Vonovia brings industry expertise to drive practical, sustainable innovation.**

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Bochum, July 29, 2025 – Vonovia SE, Europe's leading residential real estate company, is now a strategic partner of ATechX, a startup accelerator initiated by Aroundtown. With this step, Vonovia expands its ongoing commitment to digital transformation and innovation within the real estate industry.

ATechX brings together leading industry players and startups with the goal of shaping future solutions for the property sector. The partnership network also includes noa, Fifth Wall, and Round Hill Capital. The focus of the collaboration lies in giving startups the opportunity to address real-world industry challenges and co-develop innovative technologies with experienced partners.

"As a major housing company with significant impact on the industry, we see it as our responsibility to drive sustainable innovation in our sector," says Alexander Weihe, head of Corporate Development at Vonovia. "By supporting startups and initiatives like ATechX, we aim to create tangible solutions that benefit our tenants and promote the ongoing modernization of the industry and our operations."

Creative solutions for real-world environments

Vonovia brings to ATechX the expertise gained from managing a portfolio of more than 500,000 apartments in Germany, Sweden, and Austria.

This extensive practical background allows startups to adjust their solutions to large-scale, real-world environments. Focus areas include smart living, energy efficiency, digital communication, IoT applications, robotics, and the digitalization of construction processes.

“With the involvement of Vonovia, the ATechX program will benefit from deep market knowledge and extensive expertise. “Innovations must prove themselves in day-to-day operations. Through this cooperation with Vonovia, we will help shape the future of urban living and make an important contribution to sustainable development,” says Barak Bar-Hen, CEO of Aroundtown.

The partnership underscores Vonovia’s ongoing strategy to invest in promising technologies and cooperation models that can contribute to greater efficiency and better living quality.

Further information on innovation activities and current projects of Vonovia can be found at www.vonovia.com.

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About Vonovia

Vonovia SE is Europe’s leading private residential real estate company. With 535,000 residential units in Germany, Sweden and Austria, the focus is on the development and rental of modern and energy-efficient housing. Vonovia focuses on sustainability as the core of its growth policy and offers tenants a home with a high quality of living and excellent service.

The Bochum based company has been listed on the stock exchange since 2013. Since September 2015 Vonovia has been a constituent in the DAX. Vonovia SE is also a constituent of additional national and international indices, including DAX 50 ESG, Dow Jones Best-in-Class Index, STOXX Global ESG Leaders, EURO STOXX ESG Leaders 50, FTSE EPRA/NAREIT Developed Europe, and GPR 250 World. Vonovia has a workforce of approximately 12,300 employees.

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About ATechX

ATechX is a pioneering PropTech accelerator powered by Aroundtown, dedicated to supporting innovative founders. The program offers a focused, four-month journey, customized individually for each early-stage startup ready to scale disruptive solutions across the entire real estate lifecycle—from finance and design to leasing and operations—covering all asset classes including residential, commercial, and hospitality.

Startups gain exclusive access not only to Aroundtown's extensive European portfolio but also to the valuable portfolios of Round Hill Capital and Vonovia. This provides a unique, real-world environment to validate and enhance their technologies. ATechX emphasizes execution, with a hands-on approach guided by seasoned real estate professionals from diverse disciplines. These experts help startups refine their market fit and sharpen their value proposition, ensuring practical, strategic growth.

The program is supported by leading industry players: Fifth Wall, noa, Round Hill Capital, Vonovia

More info: www.atechx.de

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About Aroundtown

Aroundtown is one of Europe's largest real estate companies, M-Dax listed and focused on income generating quality properties that have potential for value-add in central locations mainly in Germany and the Netherlands. The portfolio comprises mainly office, residential and hotel properties. Hundreds of experienced employees from all areas of the value chain ensure that Aroundtown effectively realizes long-term potential. Professional organization, flexibility, innovation and extensive tenant services make Aroundtown a reliable partner for growth and success. Aroundtown is a sustainability leader in the European market with strong visibility in ESG indices such as Dow Jones Sustainability Index, Bloomberg Gender Equality Index and more. Aroundtown is a member of the European Public Real Estate Association (EPRA), the German Property Federation (ZIA), the German Sustainable Building Council (DGNB), the UN Global Compact Network Germany as well as a signatory of the United Nations Charter of Diversity. Aroundtown has received multiple EPRA BPR Gold Awards and EPRA sBPR Gold Awards for its transparent financial and sustainability reporting. Avisco (controlled by Yakir Gabay) holds 15% in Aroundtown (date: 29.07.2022) and Stumpf Capital GmbH 10% (date: 13.11.2023). Other shareholders include Blackrock, Norges, Vanguard, Allianz, BNP Paribas, Japan's Government investment fund, Alliance-Bernstein, Dekabank, State-Street, Bank of Montreal and many other leading international investors. The main bond investors include ECB, GIC, Union Investment, DB, UBS, CS, M&G, Pictet, Credit Agricole and many other major institutional investors. www.aroundtown.de