



## Cyber Threat Intelligence Expert SEKOIA Announces a First Fund Raising of 10 Million Euros

Paris, October 6, 2020 - SEKOIA, a French deeptech company specializing in the cyber threats anticipation, has just completed its first round of funding of 10 million euros with Omnes and Alliance Entreprendre. This investment will be mainly devoted to accelerating the marketing of its platform for its European public and private companies and to strengthening its R&D teams.

### **SEKOIA from consulting firm to software specialist**

Founded in 2008, SEKOIA has built its reputation on its expertise in responding to security incidents and its ability to assist companies under attack. Since 2016, the company is evolving towards software publishing with the aim of meeting a need that is still little covered by European cybersecurity companies: threat intelligence. This modern defensive approach was concretized by the launch in January 2020 of the SEKOIA.IO platform.

A single company motto: to offer a European alternative to the American SIEM (Security Information and Event Management) products available on the market with a sovereign threat anticipation and detection solution.

*"We are today raising funds to promote a European and collective approach to threat intelligence," said **Freddy Milesi, CEO and co-founder of SEKOIA**. "The challenges that are facing companies and all those involved in cyber security in the years to come are colossal. In order to remain in the race against cybercriminals, SEKOIA has chosen to focus on two complementary pillars to enable companies to increase the effectiveness of their protections: anticipation of threats and automation of defenses".*

After being self-financed for more than 10 years, SEKOIA has chosen to raise funds to develop its sales force and strengthen its R&D teams. To do so, SEKOIA selected 2 investors with expertise in deeptech and cybersecurity, having faith in the approach promoted by the company: an innovative and sovereign solution - a European alternative to the solutions on the market.

*"Our choice of investment is in line with our ambition: to invest in the creation of Europe's future major technology companies. SEKOIA has all the qualities to achieve this: a very high level of management with recognized expertise in cybersecurity, a state-of-the-art product and an ambitious technological roadmap, in a rapidly growing market. With this support, we are convinced that SEKOIA will become one of the major French players in cybersecurity, with a global reach", argues **Fabien Collangettes, Director of Investments at Omnes**.*

*"We were seduced by the quality of the team and SEKOIA's unique expertise in Threat Intelligence. The company was able to capitalize on its historical service offering to design a next-generation technological solution, combining the agility of the Cloud and the power of threat detection, based on contextualized indicators. With this approach, SEKOIA.IO is able to provide support to companies of all sizes in their cyber defense strategy. We are delighted to support the company in its development alongside Omnes", summarize **Benoît Thiedey and Sébastien Viou, respectively Investment Director and Operating Partner at Alliance Entreprendre**.*

With 80 employees and a panel of customers including companies of all sizes, the company plans to recruit 20 to 30 additional profiles in data scientist and sales engineer positions over the next 6 months, bringing the workforce to more than 100 people.

**About SEKOIA:**

Created in 2008, SEKOIA is a French deeptech company specialized in the anticipation of cyber threats. SEKOIA offers a modern cybersecurity platform. Named SEKOIA.IO, this solution anticipates and detects threats and automates adjusted responses.

Marketed in SaaS mode since January 2020, SEKOIA.IO adapts to all technological environments.

More than a company, SEKOIA.IO is an environment of confrontation with new forms of threats and advocates its European roots and the strength of the collective to protect and stay in the race against cybercriminals. Today the company has 80 employees and actively participates in the defensive security community in France and Europe.

For more information: [sekoia.io](https://sekoia.io).

**About Omnes:**

Omnes is a leading Paris-based European investor in private equity and infrastructure. With €4 billion of assets under management, Omnes provides SMEs with the capital needed to finance growth. The firm has dedicated investment teams across three key areas: Venture Capital, Buyout & Growth Capital and Infrastructure. Omnes is owned by its employees. Omnes is committed to ESG issues and has set up the Omnes Foundation in aid of children's charities. It is also a signatory to the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI). [www.omnescapital.com](https://www.omnescapital.com)

**About Alliance Entreprendre :**

Founded in 1995, Alliance Entreprendre is a long-standing private equity player, with 576 million euros under management/advisory as at July 31, 2020 on behalf of institutional and private investors. Alliance Entreprendre supports SMEs and SMBs by investing at all stages of development, through minority or majority equity investments. Since its creation, Alliance Entreprendre has made more than 225 investments throughout France and in all sectors of the economy. [www.allianceentreprendre.com](https://www.allianceentreprendre.com)

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