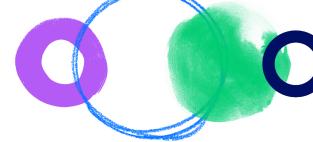


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Sonae stood out for its commitment to innovation and the development of entrepreneurial ecosystems, asserting itself as one of the key global players in promoting and growing start-ups. The Group earned a score of 10,392, reflecting the strength of its initiatives, which include acceleration programmes, strategic partnerships, and investments in promising start-ups.

The Corporate Startup Activity Index 2025, developed by StartupBlink, assessed 372 companies from 48 countries using objective and verifiable data to measure engagement, success, and integration into the supported start-ups' ecosystem. Sonae was the highest-ranked company of Portuguese origin, further reinforcing its role as a catalyst for innovation and entrepreneurship in Portugal.

Teresa Oliveira, Head of Digital at Sonae, emphasises: "This recognition reflects Sonae's ongoing commitment to innovation and to energising the entrepreneurial ecosystem. We believe success is built through partnerships, acceleration programmes, and investments that nurture the growth of new companies and disruptive solutions."

More information about the Corporate Startup Activity Index 2025 and Sonae's ranking can be found at www.StartupBlink.com.