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# Doctolib, the leading European online booking service for doctors and dentists, secures \$5 million to accelerate its growth in France and Europe.

With 1 million patients per month, online booking for medical appointments took off in France with Doctolib. Only 9 months after a first \$1.2m seed round, Pierre Kosciusko-Morizet et Pierre Krings join existing investors to consolidate its leading position.

## *\$6.2 million raised in one year*

Doctolib is announcing a new \$5 million investment round from its existing investors – famous French web entrepreneurs: Bertrand Jelensperger, cofounder and CEO of LaFourchette (sold to TripAdvisor in 2014), Antoine Freysz, cofounder of Otium Capital, Olivier Occelli, founder and CEO of Naturabuy (sold to Mondadori) and Maxime Forgeot. They are joined on this round by Pierre Kosciusko-Morizet and Pierre Krings, co-founders of PriceMinister (sold to Rakuten in 2010).

**For patients,** Doctolib is a free online service to find a nearby health practitioner and book doctor or dentist appointments 24/24 and 7/7 within a few clicks.

**For health professionals,** Doctolib has created the first service to manage medical appointments and develop their patient base.

As the company is just one year old, this new fundraising brings the total funding received to \$6.2 million. It aims to:

- **Continue its expansion** among private health professionals and health facilities throughout France. The company already opened offices in 10 French cities and plans to double its workforce from 50 to 100 employees. The plan also includes launching the service in a second European country in 2015 and 4 countries in 2016.
- **Reinforce its position as the European leader** of medical appointment search and booking from 1 to 5 million patients each month.
- Strengthen the capacity of developing tools and services by multiplying by 5 the engineering team.

**Stanislas Niox-Chateau, cofounder and CEO of Doctolib, explains**: "The organization of the healthcare system has been the same for decades in France: more than a billion phone calls connect 65 millions of Frenchmen to 570 000 health professionals, leading to waste of time and major malfunctions. Doctolib is the essential service that simplifies and streamlines the organization and access to care."

### A rapid growth and a leadership position

Founded in October 2013, the one-year old start-up has already partnered with **1,500 health professionals**. Its service has been set up in the only **clinics and healthcare centers** in France which allow online booking for patients.



**Antoine Freysz explains why he decided to take part in this new fundraising**: *"In less than a year, Doctolib took the leadership position in France, exceeded its targets and built a highly qualified staff of 50. We decided to launch this second round quickly to give maximum resources to the company."* 

## Doctolib's concept : a new, unique and high potential model

**Bertrand Jelensperger details**: *"With 1 million patients a month and 1,500 health professionals, Doctolib brings a service with strong added value to medical practitioners as well as patients. Users' feedbacks and satisfaction level of the service are very positive."* 

The start-up already has employees in 10 French cities and launches new features every week. It will also reinforce its "practitioner experience" team, which will work with health professionals already involved in Doctolib.

**Pierre Kosciusko-Morizet added**: "Doctolib is one of the most promising start-ups I have encountered in the past 5 years. I share its founders' ambition to create tomorrow's e-health tools and services to improve the everyday life of health professionals and patients."

## The revolution has begun!

### About Doctolib :

With 1 million patients a month, Doctolib (<u>www.doctolib.fr</u>) is the leading online booking service for doctors and dentists in Europe.

The company was established in October 2013 by Stanislas Niox-Chateau, Thomas Landais, Ivan Schneider and Jessy Bernal. It aims to improve the lives of healthcare professionals and patients by becoming "the Google for health".

The company has 50 employees today. It successively raised \$1.2M in February 2014 and \$5M in November 2014 from French entrepreneurs Bertrand Jelensperger, Antoine Freysz, Olivier Occelli and Maxime Forgeot, later joined by Pierre Kosciusko-Morizet and Pierre Krings.

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