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## Aindo closes a €6 million Series A round led by United Ventures for synthetic data technology

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- The global synthetic data market will be valued at €1.79 billion by 2030.
- Aindo to recruit 10 employees across Marketing, R&S and Sales in the next 12 months

Trieste, Italy, October 18th, 2023 - Generative AI startup Aindo, which has developed and patented synthetic data generation technology, announces a €6 million Series A round led by United Ventures, with a participation from existing investor Vertis SGR through the fund Vertis Venture 3 Technology Transfer. This new funding will allow Aindo to grow the team by 10 more employees, and continue developing solutions that facilitate the use of artificial intelligence in strategic sectors such as healthcare, finance, and public administration.

Synthetic data is data that is created artificially as opposed to generated by real-world events. It's manufactured algorithmically and is used as a substitute for testing purposes and to train machine learning (ML) models.

Aindo's team aims not only to consolidate its position as a leader in synthetic data but also to revolutionize the concept of data mobility, understood as the secure exchange of information, with particular attention to privacy protection.

United Ventures, a venture capital company focused on investments in hightech companies, leads the investment round, a testimony to the growing role of synthetic data in promoting secure information exchange. Vertis, which invests in innovative Made in Italy projects, is betting on the strategic dimension of the technology.

According to Gartner<sup>1</sup>, synthetic data is among the emerging trends in AI. By 2024, 60% of the data used in AI projects will be synthetically generated compared to only 1% in 2021. A study by Grand View Research<sup>2</sup> forecasts that the global synthetic data market will be valued at €1.79 billion by 2030.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Complete Guide to Generative AI
<sup>2</sup> Synthetic Data Generation Market Size

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The technology is in high demand from sectors ranging from healthcare and finance, to banking, and insurance. Notably, in the healthcare sector, Aindo's synthetic data generation technology is already widely applied, from improving predictive analysis of pharmacological therapies in rare diseases to optimizing patient care in a hospital setting, to monitoring remote healthcare by anticipating potential risk situations.

"We're thrilled to announce this new funding round, which will fuel our growth at a crucial phase of the company's development." says Daniele Panfilo, cofounder and CEO of Aindo. "When we launched Aindo, Generative AI was barely known outside academic environments. In record time, it's grown into the next billion dollar category in tech, thanks to its mind blowing capabilities that have captivated the world's imagination. Our goal is to make data-driven innovation increasingly secure and ethically responsible for entire industries. Most organizations possess valuable structured information stored within their databases that cannot be used due to privacy protection. Creating synthetic data with generative AI solves that: the data Aindo regenerates behaves similarly to real data while fully protecting individuals' privacy."

Giulia Giovannini, partner at United Ventures, comments, "The AI revolution still faces many obstacles, including data inaccessibility, long processing times, privacy concerns, and ethical issues related to data collection. Synthetic data is an answer to these problems, offering companies a tool of great importance to fully exploit the potential of artificial intelligence while ensuring the necessary privacy in data management. We believe that Daniele and his team have the right ambition to scale the platform internationally in the field of synthetic data, and we are excited to contribute to this round, as our very first investment from UV3, United Ventures recently launched fund."

Roberto Della Marina, operating partner of Vertis SGR and managing partner of Venture Factory, adds, "Synthetic data tech is undeniably one of the most promising emerging trends in AI. It's what we call a horizontal innovation. In the coming years, the demand for synthetic data will be ubiquitous for all sectors relying heavily on data, particularly in healthcare, finance, and insurance. Aindo's technology has the potential to impact millions of people's lives."

Aindo was born from the International School for Advanced Studies (SISSA) in Trieste.

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#### **ANNEXE**

### **Aindo's Synthetic Data**

Aindo's synthetic data is not collected empirically but generated artificially through machine learning models. These models can create artificial data that faithfully reproduces the characteristics and behaviors of real data. The synthetic data generated by Aindo thus maintains the statistical utility of the original data. Being artificial, they are devoid of sensitive information and can be safely exchanged and analyzed.

### **Applications of Synthetic Data**

Synthetic data enables the application of Artificial Intelligence in high-impact social and business areas, such as healthcare research or developing technologies for financial markets.

**Healthcare Sector** - Synthetic data finds application in training artificial intelligence models necessary for developing prognostic and predictive tools in the healthcare field, aimed at improving diagnostics and treatment of numerous diseases. Patient health data is highly confidential and generally cannot be shared; however, their analysis can lead to new diagnostic and pharmacological knowledge for treating specific pathologies or identifying risk factors. Aindo's synthetic data aligns with GDPR, allowing the use, mobility, and exchange of synthetic health data.

**Financial Sector** - Synthetic data is critical in developing personalized solutions and services in the financial world. For example, a bank could use synthetic data to build accurate risk prediction models to identify patterns and behaviors typical of companies likely to encounter financial difficulties. Additionally, synthetic data can be successfully employed to improve anti-fraud systems through data augmentation possibilities.

**Infrastructure and Energy** - In the infrastructure and energy sectors, synthetic data is instrumental in data sharing between the public and private sectors. This facilitates the combination of supply and demand in infrastructure and network management optimization. Think of smart cities, smart buildings, and physical infrastructure monitoring such as bridges, viaducts, and road networks to assess wear and tear, traffic management, and structural monitoring. Properly calibrated synthetic data would enable the evaluation of multi-risk scenarios, such as static, seismic, and hydrogeological risks, by simulating different damage or optimal management scenarios.





Founded in 2018 by three artificial intelligence specialists - Daniele Panfilo (CEO), Sebastiano Saccani (Head of R&D), and Borut Svara (CTO) - Aindo is a startup of the SISSA (International School for Advanced Studies) in Trieste. Aindo's mission is to enable artificial intelligence to add value to society while respecting our rights and freedoms. Synthetic data represents a new technological paradigm: it is completely artificial and has the same statistical properties as real data, but it is devoid of sensitive information and, therefore, capable of protecting privacy.

#### **About United Ventures**

United Ventures is a venture capital company based in Milan that supports visionary entrepreneurs building global technology companies. Founded in 2013 by Massimiliano Magrini and Paolo Gesess, the company has established a leadership position in Italy over the past decade. It now has a team of 15 professionals with diverse backgrounds and expertise. With a successful track record of over 35 investments, including Moneyfarm, FACEIT, and Musixmatch, United Ventures provides the strategic guidance and experience that rapidly growing companies need to scale responsibly internationally and maximize long-term value creation.

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