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**AAQIUS AMONG THE "SWISS GROWTH  
CHAMPIONS OF 2017"**



**Stor-H, the new hydrogen standard**



**Stéphane Aver,  
CEO Aaqius**

## **Aaqius among the “swiss growth champions of 2017”**

This year, on the initiative of two newspapers, Le Temps and the Handelszeitung, Switzerland hosted the “Growth Champions” competition for the first time. To be listed among the winners, there is just one criterion: the company must be considered a high-growth enterprise. This applies to AAQIUS, which was selected from among more than five hundred companies, and achieved a very creditable rank – 21st out of 55 awarded – in a classification that prides itself on its exacting standards!

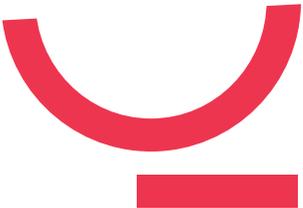
The potential of a “high-growth” enterprise implies more than the results directly related to such a company (turnover growth rate, internal and external growth, independence), but also – and especially – the impact of this growth on the Swiss economy as a whole. Thus, companies like AAQIUS, by stimulating the economy and creating jobs, also make a major contribution to the economic growth of Switzerland. Furthermore, innovation is an aspect included in the selection criteria, with companies playing a leading role in the transformation of our companies,

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markets and products in accordance with new and original models. And when we remember that Switzerland is No. 1 on the Global Innovation Index, we realize how important companies like AAQIUS are to the country as a whole!

As its President, Stéphane Aver, puts it: “The birthplace of AAQIUS is at the end of Lake Geneva, and it lies on the Geneva-Zurich axis where the majority of Swiss growth-champion enterprises are concentrated. Our growth will accelerate in the coming years, thanks to programs such as STOR-H, the new hydrogen standard, as well as DENOX'one, the next-generation SCR technology for the emissions after-treatment of internal combustion engines that is already in development with a leading automotive Tier1 supplier. This award highlights the efficacy of our business model, and is a reward for the work of all our teams who strive to incorporate our innovations into a world where energy production and consumption are being radically transformed.”



## **The method of classification of**

### **“Swiss Growth Champions of 2017”**

This list brings together 55 companies that all displayed exponential growth over the period 2012-2015. Statista, the statistics portal, cross-referenced a range of data sources to identify companies that met the following five criteria: generation of at least CHF 100,000 in 2012, generation of at least CHF 1,000,000 in 2015, essentially internal growth in the period 2012-2015, independent status, with head office in Switzerland. The results and the detailed list of winners were published in the two newspapers Le Temps and the Handelszeitung on 16th February 2017, and were reproduced by numerous Swiss and international periodicals.

#### **Non-exhaustive list of article:**

[Unternehmerzeitung.ch](http://Unternehmerzeitung.ch)

[Le Monde.fr](http://LeMonde.fr)

[finanzen.ch](http://finanzen.ch)

[lifepr.de](http://lifepr.de)

[letemps.ch](http://letemps.ch)

[handelszeitung.ch](http://handelszeitung.ch)



## Certificat

Champions de la croissance Suisse 2017

**Le Temps, Handelszeitung et Statista**

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## «Champion de la croissance 2017»

«Champions de la croissance 2017» est une liste composée de 55 entreprises ayant réalisé une croissance exceptionnellement forte de leur chiffre d'affaires entre 2012 et 2015.

### Critères à respecter par les entreprises pour être dans la liste :

Dépasser les CHF 100'000 de chiffre d'affaires en 2012

Dépasser les CHF 1'000'000 de chiffre d'affaires en 2015

Avoir une croissance essentiellement organique

Etre indépendante et avoir son siège en Suisse

**Stéphane Benoit-Godet**  
Rédacteur en chef Le Temps  
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**Stefan Barmettler**  
Rédacteur en chef Handelszeitung  
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Le Temps, Handelszeitung et Statista attribuent le label uniquement sur commande individuelle et exclusivement aux entreprises primées «Champions de la croissance 2017». La sélection des entreprises et les critères d'évaluation résultent d'un travail journalistique indépendant du Handelszeitung et du Temps. L'évaluation a été réalisée par Statista, l'un des plus grands portails de statistiques internationaux. Le Temps, Handelszeitung et Statista déclinent toute responsabilité quant à l'exhaustivité de la liste des entreprises retenues afin d'établir le palmarès des «Champions de la croissance 2017». La publication de ce certificat et du logo «Champion de la croissance 2017» à des fins de communication interne ou externe est soumise à l'acquisition préalable d'une licence d'utilisation. Le palmarès des Champions de la croissance Suisse 2017 sera publié le 16 février dans le Handelszeitung numéro 7/2017 et Le Temps numéro 5738.

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## ABOUT AAQIUS

AAQIUS is a Swiss group specializing in the development of "green" and "low CO2" breakthrough technologies for transport and energy. With a solid track record, AAQIUS can point to growth founded on a unique "R&B" business model – Research and Business – which combines technical expertise in innovative projects with the capacity to develop these projects by securing their financing and profitability, in order to speed their access to the market and ensure their success.

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H2 Pallet truck



H2 Golf cart