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CreditGate24

## **CreditGate24 strengthens its operational leadership: Stefan Benkert takes the office of CEO and CFO, Christoph M. Mueller is focussing on strategic topics and the internationalisation of CreditGate24**

***Rüschlikon, April 2017*** – The fast growing fintech-company CreditGate24 has won Stefan Benkert as new CEO and CFO. Stefan Benkert is co-founder of CreditGate24 and has been part of the start-up since the beginning in an advisory role. Christoph M. Mueller will now focus even more on his role as strategic thought leader and visionary and he will furthermore stay committed to CreditGate24 as Founder and Chairman. With this strategic step CreditGate24 achieves an optimal complement within the operational leadership.

*„I’m happy that Stefan Benkert decided to take this step. He complements myself and the company perfectly.“ Christoph M. Mueller, Founder and Chairman of CreditGate24*

### **Stefan Benkert, top-class manager brings the start-up to the next level**

Stefan Benkert, previously employed by Lafarge-Holcim and PwC offers comprehensive experience in the sectors of financial services, finance, M&A as well as transformation management domestically and abroad. He holds a Master of Arts in Banking and Finance from the University of Zürich. He lives in Thalwil together with his wife and two children.

*„Our investors can invest directly into Swiss SME. The concept fits perfectly in times where low interest rates are still the norm. Individuals and SME profit of favourable and fair offers. One of our SME credit clients is a real success story. On the 4<sup>th</sup> of April 2017 the DynaRoads GmbH won the “YoungEntrepreneur Prize” of Zug.“ Stefan Benkert, CEO and CFO of CreditGate24*

### **A rapidly growing platform thanks to great products, high efficiency and innovation**

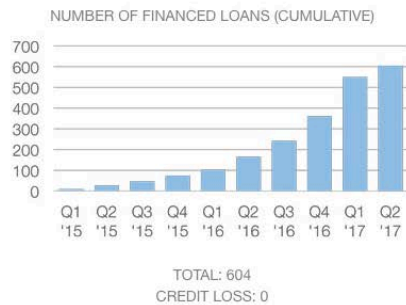
It took a little longer than one year to finance the first 100 credits. Today, after two years 600 credits have already been financed with a total volume of more than CHF 31 million.

CreditGate24 is the first and only Swiss Peer-to-Peer lending provider that offers automatic diversification and a secondary market for investors.

The total financed volume should grow six-fold until the end of 2017. This is an ambitious target that can be achieved through efficiency, focus on key-subjects such as SME, personal and real estate financing as well as with the professionalization of the team.

## STATISTICS

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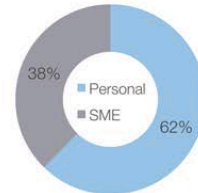


## NUMBER OF REGISTERED USERS

More than 5'600 registered users are already trusting CreditGate24.

Register Now as a borrower or investor and profit!

## FUNDED LOAN VOLUME



TOTAL: 31.2 M  
PERSONAL: 19.4 M  
SME: 11.8 M

## Basic information CreditGate24 (april 17)

Platform live	March 2015
Demanded credit volume	>CHF 123 Mio.
Financed credit volume	>CHF 31 Mio.
Number of credits	604
Number of employees	22

## Valuable cooperation for all parties

CreditGate24 is the first Peer-to-Peer platform that entered a cooperation with a bank. An offer from CreditGate24 is now available to the Hypothekarbank Lenzburg's smaller credit clients. Further cooperations with banks and insurances are currently in the negotiation phase.

## New Advisor Prof. Dr. Markus Menz

Markus Menz is professor in strategic management and academic Director of the Executive MBA Programs at the University of Geneva. Moreover, he consults major companies and SME. He supports CreditGate24 in matters related to cooperations with banks and insurances.

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**About CreditGate24**

CreditGate24 (Schweiz) AG is an independent Swiss fintech company with its headquarters in Rüslikon, founded in November 2014 (platform was launched on the 5th of March 2015).

The highly automated platform (peer-to-peer model) connects borrowers with private and institutional investors and offers an efficient and scalable settlement of loans. We pride ourselves in ensuring that these processes are seamless and of the highest quality. CreditGate24 operates exclusively online, with no branches or high administrative expenses in order not to diminish the yields on investment and to minimize the cost for borrowers (a win-win situation for both sides).

CreditGate24 offers financing for individuals and SME, distinguishes itself by a strict credit check based on classic credit assessment methods, big data analysis, whole life insurance, and the solidarity agreement. The finance company is regulated by the VQF (Verein zur Qualitätssicherung von Finanzdienstleistungen) and is a member of the ZEK and the IKO.

**More than 240 years of banking experience – an experienced management behind CreditGate24**

CreditGate24 consists of Christoph M. Mueller (Founder and Chairman), Stefan Benkert (CEO and CFO), Dr. Teddy Amberg (Business Development), Paul Baumgartner (Products), Peter Baumli (COO), Dr. Peter Boschung (CTO), Stephan Zimmermann (General Counsel & Corporate Secretary).

The entire team with 22 employees has more than 240 years of experience in banking, law & compliance, finance, investment and private banking, as well as insurance experience at BANK-now, Cembra, Credit Suisse, Luzerner Kantonalbank, Partners Group, Raiffeisen, Swiss Life, UBS and Zürcher Kantonalbank.



Picture caption: left Christoph M. Mueller, right Stefan Benkert