

Press release

Maus Robotics obtains CHF 150,000 from Venture Kick to scale autonomous fresh food deployments

St.Gallen/Zurich/Lausanne, July 24, 2026 — The Basel-based food robotics startup Maus Robotics has obtained CHF 150,000 from Venture Kick to develop autonomous robots that prepare fresh crêpes from raw ingredients in just 90 seconds. The startup aims to make freshly prepared meals available anytime.

Robots are already moving from factories into our daily lives, making it better in countless ways: cleaning our floors, driving our cars, or assisting in some of the most challenging surgeries. Food is next: meals that are fresh, warm, and available on demand 24/7, wherever people are.

[Maus Robotics](#) seizes this opportunity with fully autonomous robots that fit on a footprint of less than one square meter and prepare fresh crêpes from raw ingredients on demand. By combining robotics with automated food preparation, the system delivers warm meals in just 90 seconds, offering customers a fresh alternative to the usual cold snack, whether on the move or eating outside regular hours.

Maus Robotics has already prepared more than 2,500 crêpes at events across Switzerland and is opening its first long-term installations in Basel this summer. The startup is building a pipeline of locations in the Basel area, from universities and hospitals to corporate campuses and leisure venues, before expanding to other European cities in 2027.

The CHF 150,000 from Venture Kick will fund the build-out of the company's first robot cluster in Basel. The funding will also support the research and development and allow the growth of the team with additional engineers and a business development role, laying the groundwork for scaling beyond the region.

Maus Robotics was founded by two brothers: Robert Hennig, who holds a PhD in robotics from EPFL, and Marten Hennig, an Associate at BCG. Combining expertise in robotics and business strategy, they are now joined by 3 early robotics engineers helping develop, build, and operate the robots.

"Knowing how to help is crucial. And Venture Kick knows this fabulously. The support ranged from sharpening our vision and strategy, to one-on-one technical consulting with experts from leading engineering companies on how to design and build our robots, all the way to practical tips on the tools and setup that make a founder's daily work easier," highlights CEO Robert Hennig.



Co-founders: CEO Robert Hennig and COO Marten Hennig

[Maus Robotics' profile on Venture Kick](#)

About Venture Kick

The Venture Kick philanthropic initiative provides more than 1 million in seed funding to Swiss startups and offers a well-structured entrepreneurial path toward building a winning business. Startups pitch to Venture Kick juries in three stages to obtain CHF 150,000, gain direct feedback, and access a network of 250 international investors. Winners of Venture Kick are eligible for an InnoBooster grant of CHF 150,000 and an additional CHF 850,000 investment from the Kickfund.

Since its launch in 2007, Venture Kick has supported 1,286 Swiss startup projects with CHF 103 million from private donors. Thanks to financial support, coaching, and networking with investors, this initiative has led to the emergence of 1,000+ thriving startup companies and the creation of 16,100+ jobs. Venture Kick alumni companies have attracted investments of CHF 10.2 billion and represent 66 companies ranked in the Top100 Swiss Startups in 2025 (<https://www.top100startups.swiss>).

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