

Press release

Minysa receives CHF 150,000 from Venture Kick to redefine power electronics

St.Gallen/Zurich/Lausanne, June 18, 2026 — The electronics startup Minysa has obtained CHF 150,000 from Venture Kick to develop next-generation control chips for more compact, energy-efficient, and reliable power electronic systems. The chips use gallium nitride (GaN), enabling higher power and lower heat than silicon. Initial applications include space and other high-reliability sectors, where efficiency, radiation resistance, and supply-chain security are essential.

Satellites, robotics, electric drives, and other high-reliability systems require increasingly compact and efficient power electronics. While gallium nitride (GaN) devices can significantly reduce size, heat, and energy losses, their adoption remains limited by complex control requirements, reliability constraints, and demanding qualification processes.

The deeptech startup [Minysa](#) develops GaN gate-driver integrated circuits that help manufacturers control GaN power devices more safely, efficiently, and compactly. Its chips are designed to reduce integration complexity and enable smaller, cooler, and more reliable power systems for applications such as satellite power conversion, motor drives, actuators, and high-reliability industrial electronics.

Minysa initially focuses on the European space power electronics market, where efficiency, reliability, and technological sovereignty are key priorities. The company estimates this market at around USD 120 million today, with potential to grow to approximately USD 600 million by 2035. It has already built an active pipeline with space and high-reliability electronics customers, including four space customers and two ESA-funded programs focused on customized power-management chips for power conversion systems and compact motor drives.

The CHF 150,000 from Venture Kick will help Minysa accelerate the development of its first GaN gate-driver ASICs for space and other high-reliability applications.

Led by founder and CEO Salem Abid, Minysa is supported by an R&D team with more than 100 years of combined experience in power semiconductors and a track record of over 80 patents.

“Venture Kick has been a major acceleration platform for Minysa,” highlighted Salem Abid. “The program helped us sharpen our market focus, challenge our business model, and build credibility with customers, partners, and investors. Winning Stage 3 is a strong validation of our ambition to build a Swiss semiconductor reference for sovereign space power electronics.”



Founder and CEO Salem Abid

[Minysa's 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.

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