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Thanks again to everyone who participated in our European Pitch Slam tour this Spring! After a successful series of 14 Innovate!2010 Pitch Slams that began in Zaragoza and ended in Tallinn, we're busy getting ready to kick-off a North American Pitch Slam tour that will take the Innovate!2010 program to cities across the U.S. this summer and fall.**

First up is a special partner event that we're co-hosting with the Semantic Universe team during the [2010 Semantic Technology \(SemTech\) conference](#) in downtown San Francisco next week.



The Innovate!2010 Pitch Slam at SemTech will take place from **3:30pm to 5:45pm on Thursday, June 24th** in Golden Gate rooms 3 and 4 at the San Francisco Hilton in Union Square, and you're invited to join us to watch the competition. Keep reading for details on how you can get a **free ticket** to attend the event, along with access to the SemTech exhibit hall and M&A panel!

At the Pitch Slam, eight startups chosen as semi-finalists will deliver their best five-minute pitch in front of the audience and our panel of expert judges that includes Dave McComb, president, Semantic Arts; Brian Cook, principal, nfuse Partners; and Michael Winton, director of developer relations, Google. The companies invited to present at the June 24th Pitch Slam are:

- [Gnowsis](#)
- [Hypios](#)
- [playence](#)
- [Salsa Dev](#)
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If you're already registered to attend SemTech, your conference badge will automatically get you into the Innovate!2010 Pitch Slam to watch the competition. For everyone else, thanks to our co-hosts at SemTech, you can [sign up here for an exclusive Guest Pass](#) that will allow you to attend all of the following on Thursday, June 24th for **FREE**:

- SemTech 2010 [Exhibit Hall](#) from 9:45am to 3:30pm
- SemTech 2010 panel on [Mergers & Acquisitions](#) from 2:00pm to 3:00pm
- [Innovate!2010 Pitch Slam](#) from 3:30pm to 5:45pm

This free pass is limited to the first 50 registrants, so [sign up now](#) to take advantage of this great opportunity to meet and mingle with the entrepreneurs, investors and executives who are gathering at SemTech next week. You can also "upgrade" to [purchase a full conference pass](#) to enjoy the rest of SemTech, which is taking place June 21st through June 25th at the Hilton San Francisco Union Square.

We look forward to seeing you at the Pitch Slam in San Francisco on June 24th at 3:30pm!

***All of the participating startups from Europe and North America will be evaluated using Guidewire Group's G/Score assessment methodology, and then the top 100 will be named to the Innovate!100 list of up-and-coming startups that we'll be releasing later this year.*

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