

AgTech Accelerators/Incubators

AgLaunch

Runs AgLaunch365 an accelerator program for start-ups interested in growing their agricultural innovation business in a farm-centric model. It also works with partner organizations to host a five-week virtual bootcamp to develop promising agriculture and food-focused start-ups.

www.aglaunch.com

AgStart

AgStart is a non-profit incubator based in Woodland, California that works with agriculture and food tech companies through mentorship, programs and networking opportunities.

www.agstart.org

AgTech X

A co-working space in Brooklyn, New York for agtech startups. The organization, owned by Agritecture Consulting, provides programs, events, resources and mentoring for the community.

<https://agtech-x.com/>

Arrowhead Center

This agtech accelerator based at New Mexico State University hosts AgSpring a five-month venture builder for innovators in start-ups related to food, energy and the environment. The program ends with AgAssembly, a one day event that brings together entrepreneurs, ag industry leaders and funders.

<https://arrowheadcenter.nmsu.edu/program/sprints/agsprint/>

Farmers2Founders

This organization co-founded by agtech entrepreneur Sarah Nolet hosts an innovation program to support entrepreneurs and investors focused on agrifood. Farmers2Founders organizes a number of programs including a bootcamp and early adopter program.

<https://www.farmers2founders.com/about-us>

Farmer-to-Farmer

This non-for-profit supports farmers and agribusiness professionals in developing countries to improve their livelihoods and food security. The organization sends U.S.-based volunteers on technical assignments to provide hands-on training to communities, cooperatives, agribusinesses, and educational institutions.

<https://farmer-to-farmer.org/>

Food-X

Food-X runs a four-month accelerator program for early-stage companies from across the food supply chain, from agriculture through consumer packaged goods. It provides connections to mentors, advisors and investors to help companies on their seed-funding and beyond.

<https://food-x.com/>

Hatch

This accelerator for aquaculture start-ups invests financially in promising new companies as part of their cohort program. They have offices in Hawaii, Norway and Singapore.

www.hatch.blue

Illumina

This accelerator for genomics start-ups offers mentorship, financial support, and access to sequencing systems, reagents, and lab space. It has locations in San Francisco and Cambridge, United Kingdom.

<https://www.illumina.com/science/accelerator.html>

IndieBio

A leading accelerator for science companies based in the San Francisco Bay Area, it accepts 15 early stage biology companies twice a year. The winning companies receive \$250,000 in seed funding, lab and co-working space and mentorship. In spring 2020 it also opened a New York location in Manhattan.

www.indiebio.co

Indoor Agtech Program

The Indoor AgTech program is organized by Sente Foundry LLC and GrowRay Lighting Technologies. The companies seek startups to participate in the program, which runs in the autumn.

<https://www.sente.link/indoor-agtech>

The Iowa AgriTech Accelerator

Launched in 2016 by the Greater Des Moines Partnership and the Cultivation Corridor, the Iowa AgriTech Accelerator seeks to advance startups and technology by providing resources and mentorship to entrepreneurs.

<https://agiowa.com/>

The LARTA Institute

Assists early stage start-ups with a focus on the life sciences and agriculture sectors. Larta organizes commercialization assistance programs throughout the U.S. and in more than 20 countries.

www.larta.org

The Pearse Lyons Accelerator

This program, run by Alltech, a U.S. company that with operations in animal feed, meat, brewing, and distilling, provides funding and mentorship to aspiring agtech entrepreneurs.

<http://go.alltech.com/accelerator>

Springboard Enterprises

This Washington, D.C., organization provides advising, training and resources to women entrepreneurs in technology and life sciences. It offers a network of influencers, investors and innovators, and plans to extend its programming to food and farming too. sb.co

Sprout Accelerator

This business accelerator, which is run out of New Zealand, focused on agtech and future food companies globally. The program that runs for six months provides mentorship and networks for entrepreneurs.

www.sproutaccelerator.com

Techstars

Backed by Cargill and Ecolab, the program, run out of St. Paul, Minnesota, focuses on the future of food and agriculture.

<https://www.techstars.com/accelerators/farm-to-fork>

THRIVE Accelerator

SVG Ventures-THRIVE runs an accelerator through a cohort program that supports the chosen start-ups at all stages of development through its seed accelerator and corporate innovation programs. It also announces the THRIVE Top 50, which recognizes some of the fastest growing agtech companies around the world.

<https://thriveagrifood.com/>

UC-Davis-HM CLAUSE Life Science Innovation Center

A business incubator that provides the technical services and support for start-ups in the life science space. The center, based at U.C. Davis in Davis, California, includes biochemistry, molecular biology and chemistry lab space, and greenhouse space.

<https://research.ucdavis.edu/offices/vc/start/drive/life-science-innovation-center/>

Water, Energy and Technology Center (WET Center)

The center, based at Fresno State University in Fresno, California, includes an incubator and accelerator program. The center's focus is on growth stage start-ups in the water, energy, and ag sectors.

valleyventures.org and wetcenter.org

Western Growers Center for Innovation and Technology (WGCIT)

This agtech incubator is based in Salinas, California, provides mentorship, programs and networking opportunities for agtech start-ups. It also offers connections to large growers and agriculture companies.

www.wginnovation.com

The Yield Lab

This organization runs the Global Agrifood Tech Accelerator through a cohort that is chosen annually. Each portfolio company within the cohort receives funding and mentorship.

www.theyieldlab.com