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**Date: 09-12-2025****SandGrain raises €13.5M Series A to scale hardware-anchored IoT security worldwide***Funding round led by Innovation Industries with BOM, Invest-NL, and existing investors*

**EINDHOVEN, NETHERLANDS – [Date]** – Dutch deep-tech company SandGrain today announced the successful raise of €13.5 million in a Series A funding round. This investment will accelerate global expansion of SandGrain's CyberRock solution, which delivers advanced security for IoT devices, focusing on key sectors such as industrial, critical infrastructure, and aerospace & defense. The round was led by Innovation Industries, with participation from Brabantse Ontwikkelings Maatschappij (BOM), Invest-NL, and existing investor DeepTechXL.

With billions of connected devices coming online worldwide, cybersecurity has become a boardroom priority. New regulations like the EU Cyber Resilience Act and the NIS2 Directive are raising standards for device security, while emerging quantum computing threats challenge traditional certificate-based methods.

**CyberRock addresses these challenges by** providing hardware-grade post-quantum resilient IoT security at reduced total cost of ownership through:

- A symmetrical challenge-response authentication scheme that verifies device identity using a hard-coded, immutable and globally unique ID built into each device (hardware token), linked to an enclave holding the corresponding secret keys.
- A secure cloud platform that manages real-time identity and authentication of devices at a reduced total cost of ownership.
- Compliance with industry-leading standards including the EU Cyber Resilience Act (CRA), NIS2 Directive, digital passports, and sustainability acts.

SandGrain's patented hybrid hardware-software approach ensures simple integration, streamlined provisioning, low total cost of ownership and scalable, future proof protection. Deployed in multiple industrial, critical infrastructure, and aerospace & defense applications, CyberRock is demonstrating readiness for large-scale rollouts in critical environments worldwide.

*"Complexity and cost have long been the bottleneck in IoT security," said **Joeri Voets, CEO of SandGrain**. "With SandGrain's CyberRock already protecting devices in the field, this investment enables us to scale faster and deliver the simplicity and future resilience the market urgently needs."*

*"SandGrain solves a large challenge in IoT: making strong security economical at the end-node", said **Rogier Ketelaars, Investment manager at Innovation Industries**. "By avoiding certificates and with a simple pre-provisioned unique Root-of-Trust, device authentication becomes simpler and cost-efficient. Their solution is easy to deploy today and designed with post-quantum resilience in mind giving customers confidence in their security tomorrow."*

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**About SandGrain**

SandGrain is a Dutch deep-tech company pioneering simple, scalable, and standards-compliant IoT security. Its flagship product, **CyberRock**, combines a hardware trust anchor with a secure cloud platform, providing certificate-free, post-quantum ready protection. Headquartered in Eindhoven, SandGrain's mission is "*Securing our Connected World*" across market verticals including industrial, critical infrastructure, aerospace & defense, and more. Visit [www.sandgrain.eu](http://www.sandgrain.eu) for more information or to schedule or order a demo.