



## **Swiss wearable brand MyKronoz breaks worldwide records with its hybrid smartwatch ZeTime, on the sidelines of a challenging Baselworld 2018**

*ZeTime crowdfunding campaigns raised a staggering total of \$8 million in less than a year*

**GENEVA, Switzerland, March 22nd, 2018** - On the sidelines of a downsized Baselworld 2018, [MyKronoz](#), the premier watchmaking brand of the smart generation today announces record-breaking crowdfunding results of its hybrid smartwatch [ZeTime](#), with more than \$8,000,000 raised in less than a year. The international success of its unique and groundbreaking flagship wearable is followed by the release of a new digital video campaign "[I'm a watch; I'm a smartwatch](#)".

After a historic 35-days [Kickstarter](#) campaign launched in March 2017, ZeTime has pursued, since then, its crowdfunding journey on a variety of international and local platforms: [Indiegogo](#), [Makuaké](#) in Japan, [Zec Zec](#) in Taiwan, [Wadiz](#) in Korea and on the leading chinese e-commerce website [JD.com](#). Further to this online momentum, MyKronoz has successfully shipped to over 100 countries close to 40,000 backers, who are proudly wearing their hybrid smartwatch everyday. In addition, ZeTime is now available on [Amazon](#) as well as at the most prestigious offline retailers worldwide.

*"With ZeTime, we managed to create a new standard: the one and only hybrid wearable device that perfectly reconciles traditional watch lovers and connected devices' intenders" said Boris Brault, CEO of MyKronoz. He adds: "Our strong electronic background combined with our Swiss DNA gives us a significant advantage over the watch and wearables industries to develop consumer centric and nicely designed products. In a context of uncertainty weighting on the watch market, and although most of the wearable makers are not attending this year Baselworld, I strongly believe we are developing the right strategy. Combining design, features and affordables price to ensure our company growth and acquire a leadership position."*

The young Swiss challenger to reaffirm its willingness to disrupt a well-established industry, puts the consumers at the center of its product development and innovation strategy while learning from the weaknesses of the traditional watchmakers.

To increase consumer engagement and worldwide brand awareness, [MyKronoz](#) just released the fun "[I'm a watch; I'm a smartwatch](#)" video series. Debuting this



week on social platforms, the 6 episodes portray two rival quirky characters who respectively personify the watch and the smartwatch.

### **About ZeTime:**

The world's first hybrid smartwatch with mechanical hands over a color touchscreen, [ZeTime](#) offers the classic design of a Swiss timepiece with most advanced features of a smartwatch. MyKronoz's proprietary 'Smart Movement' technology enables ZeTime's always-on hands to function for up to 30 days with a single charge, ensuring the primary function of the watch – to tell time – is always running. With a retail price starting at \$199, the hybrid device is available in two different case sizes (39mm and 44mm) and displays (1.05 inch and 1.22-inch). ZeTime boasts three collections comprising a variety of watch case finishing and bands, to appeal to a wide audience.

### **About us:**

Founded in January 2013, [MyKronoz](#) is a Swiss company headquartered in Geneva that designs and develops wearable devices to expand and facilitate the connected experience of the smart generation. Bringing together the essence of watchmaking tradition with innovative technology, MyKronoz offers a full range of affordable and stylish wearables, starting at a price point of \$39 only, spanning across 4 product categories: activity trackers, smartwatches, hybrid smartwatches and watch phones, all compatible with iOS and Android. Present in more than 40 countries, carried by major retailers and partners worldwide (Orange, Auchan, Carrefour, Amazon, Best Buy), MyKronoz has sold more than 3 million products and established itself as a fierce challenger to both tech and traditional watchmakers.

MyKronoz is part of [BOW Group](#), a global player in the Internet of Things (IoT), operating worldwide in the wearables, connected vehicles and smart home markets. In July 2015, BOW raised €10 million from [NextStage AM](#) in series A funding round and closed in November 2017 its \$23.5 million series B funding lead by [PM Equity Partner](#), the corporate venture fund of Philip Morris International.

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