



Energias de Portugal (now called EDP Open Innovation) is an acceleration program for development of new business projects focused on technological innovation or business model innovation in clean technologies in the energy sector.

In partnership with Expresso, this program results from the alliance between Energia de Portugal and the EDP Innovation Awards (both running in Portugal, Spain and Brazil).

The merge of EDP Innovation Award (since 2009) and Energia de Portugal (since 2012), results in shared experience accelerating and incubating startups. With more than 1,000 applications submitted and analyzed, both programs have already awarded more than 50,000 EUR in cash, accelerated 130 business ideas and incubated 3 startups every year at EDP Starter program

Mater Dynamics won Portugal Energy in 2015.



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Great things happened in *Energias de Portugal*. The year was 2015, and we had been working in our first prototype for QStamp®. At that moment, we had never disclosed or show our solution, and the time do it had arrived. During the final we had this small table where we prepared a demonstration on how QStamp® works and on what it can do. Our technological team was struggling to find the best price model for the technology, how to clear state the advantages of our solution in a non-technical way and most important, how to pursue business growth. We have faced the competition as an opportunity to validate several business hypotheses, and the prize would be useful to further improve QStamp®. Energias de Portugal, and mainly the contribution of the National newspaper 'Expresso', were the trigger to disseminate our solution across the media. New clients were deeply interested in our technology, and our project was reaching maturity in a faster way.

