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With the latest \$1.1M seed funding, Peerlist sets sight on becoming a LinkedIn alternative.

[New York, Mon, Jan 23, 2023] Peerlist, the professional network for tech professionals, today announced the successful completion of a seed funding round, raising \$1.1M from a group of investors led by Dharmesh Shah (Cofounder and CTO of HubSpot), Manoj Gupta (Founder and CEO of Plotch.ai), Kumar Puspesh (Co-founder and CTO, Moonfrog), Suumit Shah (Cofounder and CEO of Dukaan), and Mohan Rao (entrepreneur and angel investor).

Peerlist, founded in Aug 2021 by [Akash Bhadange](#) and [Yogini Bende](#), is a platform that connects professionals in the tech industry based on proven skills and verified credentials, enabling them to collaborate, share knowledge, and grow their careers. Peerlist profile offers a space for tech professionals to showcase their meta profile with seamless integrations with various work-attribution sites like GitHub, Dribbble, Substack, Gumroad, etc., to showcase Proof of Work, verify their work experiences and education, and connect with other like-minded people in their field.

"We are committed to enabling tech professionals to build comprehensive work profiles and meaningful professional networks to advance their careers. In addition, we help companies hire the top verified talent through our recruitment vertical," said Akash Bhadange, co-founder and CEO of Peerlist. "With this capital and great mentors, we are heading towards building the world's most inclusive, authentic, and enriching network of professionals and organizations."

"The world is ready for some innovation when it comes to online professional networks," said [Dharmesh](#), co-founder, CTO of HubSpot, and lead investor. "Peerlist is taking on this challenge with a product built for modern times that feels like a breath of fresh air. I invested because this is the need of the hour for this industry, and timing is perfect for such disruption."

Peerlist has already gained a strong following among tech professionals and is seen as a vital and valuable alternative to LinkedIn. This funding will enable the company to expand and improve its platform. Peerlist team looks forward to working with its investors and users to achieve its vision of becoming the go-to destination for tech professionals looking to showcase their expertise, connect with peers and grow their careers.

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