

10:00	Official Welcome		Thomas Ohr - Founder & CEO, EU-Startups
10:15	Opening Keynote	KEYNOTE	Robert Abela - Prime Minister of Malta
10:30	<u>How the European Commission is Supporting Startup Ecosystems Across Europe</u>	FIRESIDE	Ekaterina Zaharieva - European Commissioner for Startups, Research & Innovation
10:55	<u>Aerial Revolution: How Drones Are Used for Good</u>	PANEL	Ansgar Kadura - Co-Founder & CSO, Wingcopter Bobby Healy - Founder & CEO, Manna Richard Parker - Founder & CEO, Altitude Angel
11:30	<u>Stoicism and What Entrepreneurs Can Learn from Ancient Philosophers</u>	KEYNOTE	Alexander Limpert - Co-Founder & CEO, GuestReady
11:40	<u>Autonomous Retail: Transforming the Shopping Experience with AI & Real-Time Computer Vision</u>	KEYNOTE	Vasco Portugal - CEO, Sensei
11:55	<u>AI Disrupting Work & Life: How Emerging Technologies Are Reshaping Our Future</u>	PANEL	Nuno Brás - Co-Founder & CEO, DareData Rafie Faruq - Co-Founder & CEO, Genie AI Tanya Parfenyuk - Co-Founder & CEO, Zing Coach
12:30	LUNCH BREAK		
14:00	<u>The Current State & Future of Venture Capital in Europe</u>	PANEL	Charles Letourneur - Co-Founder & Managing Partner, Alven Conor Scanlan - Partner, Nauta Capital Isabella Yamamoto - Principal, Visionaries Club Talia Rafaeli - Partner, KOMPAS VC
14:35	<u>From Silicon Valley to Sustainability Scale-Up: Scaling Impact Through an Unconventional Approach</u>	KEYNOTE	Lora Jakobsen - Chief Sustainability Officer, ZeroNorth
14:50	<u>Embedding Lasting Change: Solving the Business Problem of Mental Health</u>	KEYNOTE	Amir Kaplan - Founder & CEO, ifeel
15:05	<u>Cybersecurity: Unmasking Threats in the Virtual World</u>	PANEL	Madeline Lawrence - CBO, Aikido Security Michal Tresner - Founder & CEO, ThreatMark Samuel Hassine - Co-Founder & CEO, Filigran
15:40	<u>Scaling: Entrepreneurial Insights from the Journey of Being a Founder to Becoming a Scale-up CEO</u>	KEYNOTE	Hristo Borisov - Co-Founder & CEO, Payhawk
15:55	<u>Fundraising Tips for Future Unicorns</u>	KEYNOTE	Tamara Orlova - CFO, Flo Health
16:10	Investors on Stage	PITCH	Featuring 15 of Europe's Leading Investors, Presenting their VC Firm & Investment Focus
16:40	How to Successfully Launch & Scale in Malta	PANEL	George Gregory - CEO, Malta Enterprise JJ Miceli Demajo - CEO, M. Demajo Group Keith M. Azzopardi - Co-Founder & CEO, Smart Materials Mark Bajada - Chairman, Bajada Group
17:10	<u>Insights from Scaling a Unicorn & Navigating Multiple Exits</u>	FIRESIDE	Pep Gomez - Founder, Fever and Reby

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11:10	<u>How to Craft & Deliver a Successful Pitch</u>	KEYNOTE	Beth Susanne - Global Pitch Coach
11:35	<u>The Importance of Student/Academic Entrepreneurship & University Spin-outs</u>	PANEL	Donnie Sc Lygonis - Innovation Strategist, KTH Innovation Dr. Marcus Haberstroh - Managing Director, SpinLab Elsa Callini - Deputy Head of the Innovation Office, University of Bern Sai Shivareddy - Founder & CEO, Nyobolt
12:15	<u>Equity Crowdfunding: Dos & Don'ts</u>	PANEL	Grégoire Touazi - Legal Counsel, Crowdcube Europe Mindaugas Valiulis - Policy Officer, European Commission Nora Szeles - CEO, Tökeportál
12:55	Startup Accelerators in Europe	PANEL	Allard Luchsinger - Managing Director, Techstars Amsterdam Giovanni Vaccari - Managing Director, Startupbootcamp Quinten Selhorst - Partner, EWOR
13:30	LUNCH BREAK		
15:00	<u>Building Strong Startup Ecosystems Across Europe</u>	PANEL	Alejandro Fernández - Head of Public Sector, Barrabés.biz Arthur Jordão - Executive Director, ESNA Sissel Hansen - Founder & CEO, Startup Guide Thomas Kösters - Managing Director, Deep Ecosystems
15:30	Public Grants vs. VC Funding	PANEL	David Seoane - Head of Digital Business Development, FundingBox Dimitar Vassilev - Board Member, EIC & SMEs Executive Agency Marie Latour - European Affairs Director, Euro-Funding Viktorija Trimbel - Managing Director, Coinvest Capital
16:00	<u>Blue Economy: Ocean-Focused Innovation Making Big Waves</u>	PANEL	Audrey Caruana - Head Startup Support, Malta Enterprise David H. Røisland - CCDO & Co-founder, Smart Ocean Saloua Sadok - Professor & General Management, INSTM - Institute for Marine Science and Technology
16:25	10 AI-Focused, EIC-Backed Startups Will Take the Stage to Showcase Their Business	PITCH	Ekke Van Vliet - Investment Coordinator, EIC Fund

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10:00	Welcome to Day 2	Arianne Alcorta - Journalist & MC
10:05	KEYNOTE <u>International Expansion & Scaling Across Europe via Organic Growth and M&A</u>	Aron Gelbard - Co-founder & CEO, Bloom & Wild
10:15	FIRESIDE <u>Insights from the Entrepreneurial Journey & Brainly's Transition from a Community Platform to a Full-Scale AI Learning Companion</u>	Michał Borkowski - Co-founder & CEO, Brainly
10:35	KEYNOTE <u>From Aeronautical Engineer to Ireland's First Astronaut: A Journey to the Stars</u>	Norah Patten - Astronaut
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11:20	PANEL <u>The Startup Media Landscape, PR Tips & Tricks</u>	Akansha Dimri - Founder & EIC, Tech Funding News Mike Butcher - Editor-at-Large, TechCrunch Thomas Ohr - Founder & CEO, EU-Startups
11:55	FIRESIDE <u>From Bootstrap to Billion: The Signavio Success Story</u>	Gero Decker - General Manager, SAP Signavio
12:20	PITCH Pitch Competition: First batch - 9 finalists	Allard Luschinger - Managing Director, Techstars Amsterdam Angelo Burgarello - Managing Partner, Look AI Ventures Isabella Yamamoto - Principal, Visionaries Club Fernando Peres Ferreira - Partner, Ventures.eu
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14:20	PITCH Pitch Competition: Second batch - 6 finalists	Allard Luschinger - Managing Director, Techstars Amsterdam Angelo Burgarello - Managing Partner, Look AI Ventures Isabella Yamamoto - Principal, Visionaries Club Fernando Peres Ferreira - Partner, Ventures.eu
14:50	PANEL How Europe Can Compete in Quantum & AI on the Global Stage	Rodrigo Hernandez - Global Director, Multiverse Computing Sabrina Maniscalco - Founder & CEO, Algorithmiq Serge Lemonde - Senior Director, NVIDIA's Startups Program
15:30	KEYNOTE <u>Learnings from Early Failures that Shaped Picnic's Success & Tips on How to Scale</u>	Daniel Gebler - Founder & CTO, Picnic
15:45	PANEL <u>Transforming Women's Health - The Evolution of Femtech</u>	Helen O'Neill - Founder & CEO, Hertility Ida Tin - Co-Founder, Clue Valentina Milanova - Founder & CEO/CPO, DAYE
16:20	FIRESIDE <u>Insights from Building a Global Platform, that Empowers Smarter Shopping Decisions</u>	Gerhard Trautmann - Co-founder & CEO, Atolls
16:50	Closing remarks & Pitch Competition winner announcement	

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11:05	PANEL <u>How to Master Sales as a Startup or Scale-Up</u>	Iryna Krepchuk - Investment Associate, Trind Ventures Kai Brandt - CEO, Genesy Sean Evers - VP of Sales & Partner, Pipedrive Zoltan Vardy - Founder & B2B Sales Expert, The Launch Code
11:40	KEYNOTE <u>Unlocking EU Startup Opportunities: Insights from the EUxVC Report & Innovation Radar</u>	Louis Geoffroy-Terryn - Head of Research Operations, Dealroom
11:55	PANEL <u>How to Get Investment-Ready & Find Investors that Match Your Needs</u>	Igor Ryabenkiy - Managing Partner, Altair Capital Nina Dremelj - Managing Partner, Vesna VC Thomas Bigagli - Partner, EMEA Ventures, Plug and Play
12:30	PANEL Corporate Venturing in Europe: From Pilots to Scalable Partnerships	Manuel Mendigutía - Sr. Strategy Adviser & Programme Coordinator, EIC Victoria Hernandez Valcarcel - Board of Directors (NED), CaixaBank
12:55	PANEL <u>Seamless Scaling: How Global-First Startups Are Using Fintech to Expand at Speed</u>	Ben Hornby - Director of SME & Growth, EMEA, Airwallex Fritz Trott - Founder & CEO, Zenjob Tomasz Pawliszyn - CEO, AirHelp
13:30	LUNCH BREAK	
15:00	PANEL Pivot and Persist: Resilience Lessons for Startups	Jonathan Bernwieser - Co-founder & CEO, Everleaf Mantas Vaskela - CEO & Founder, AISPECO
15:30	PANEL <u>How Startups Can Ensure to Comply With Regulations Like GDPR, the EUAI Act, and Certification Standards Without Hassle</u>	Alpa Jotangia - Head of Regulatory Compliance, Ecommpay Ian Coppini - Risk Advisory Director, Deloitte Malta Martin van Oyen - Head of Legal & Compliance, FINOM Meiran Galis - Founder & CEO, Scytale
16:00	PANEL AI Regulation: Opportunities & Challenges for AI Innovation in Europe	Christian Rebernik - Co-founder & CEO, Tomorrow University Eoghan O'Neil - Senior Policy Officer, AI Office, European Commission Jennifer Woodard - VP of AI, Logically.ai Thomas Cuvelier - Partner, RTP Global

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