

10:00	<b>Official Welcome</b>	Thomas Ohr - Founder & CEO, <b>EU-Startups</b>
10:15	<b>Opening Keynote</b> <span>KEYNOTE</span>	Robert Abela - <b>Prime Minister of Malta</b>
10:30	<u>How the European Commission is Supporting Startup Ecosystems Across Europe</u> <span>FIRESIDE</span>	Ekaterina Zaharieva - <b>European Commissioner for Startups, Research &amp; Innovation</b>
10:55	<u>Aerial Revolution: How Drones Are Used for Good</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Ansgar Kadura - Co-Founder & CSO, <b>Wingcopter</b> Bobby Healy - Founder & CEO, <b>Manna</b> Richard Parker - Founder & CEO, <b>Altitude Angel</b>
11:30	<u>Stoicism and What Entrepreneurs Can Learn from Ancient Philosophers</u> <span>KEYNOTE</span>	Alexander Limpert - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>GuestReady</b> and <b>RentalReady</b>
11:40	<u>From Building &amp; Exiting a Unicorn to the Plan of Acquiring 5,000 Ventures</u> <span>FIRESIDE</span>	Michael Cassau - Founder & CEO, <b>Grover</b> and <b>SKROL</b>
12:00	<u>How AI is Changing the Way We Work, Stay Fit, and Live</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Nuno Brás - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>DareData</b> Rafie Faruq - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Genie AI</b> Tanya Parfenyuk - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Zing Coach</b>
12:35	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
14:00	<u>The Current State &amp; Future of Venture Capital in Europe</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Charles Letourneur - Co-Founder & Managing Partner, <b>Alven</b> Conor Scanlan - Partner, <b>Nauta Capital</b> Isabella Yamamoto - Principal, <b>Visionaries Club</b> Talia Rafaeli - Partner, <b>KOMPAS VC</b>
14:35	<u>From Silicon Valley to Sustainability Scale-Up: Scaling Impact Through an Unconventional Approach</u> <span>KEYNOTE</span>	Lora Jakobsen - Chief Sustainability Officer, <b>ZeroNorth</b>
14:50	<u>Embedding Lasting Change: Solving the Business Problem of Mental Health</u> <span>KEYNOTE</span>	Amir Kaplan - Founder & CEO, <b>ifeel</b>
15:05	<u>Cybersecurity: Unmasking Threats in the Virtual World</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Madeline Lawrence - CBO, <b>Aikido Security</b> Michal Tresner - Founder & CEO, <b>ThreatMark</b> Samuel Hassine - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Filigran</b>
15:40	<u>Scaling: Entrepreneurial Insights from the Journey of Being a Founder to Becoming a Scale-up CEO</u> <span>KEYNOTE</span>	Hristo Borisov - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Payhawk</b>
15:55	<u>Fundraising Tips for Future Unicorns</u> <span>KEYNOTE</span>	Tamara Orlova - CFO, <b>Flo Health</b>
16:10	<b>Investors on Stage</b> <span>PITCH</span>	Featuring 15 Top VCs Present Their Firms and Investment Focus
16:40	<u>How to Successfully Launch &amp; Scale in Malta</u> <span>PANEL</span>	George Gregory - CEO, <b>Malta Enterprise</b> JJ Miceli Demajo - CEO, <b>M. Demajo Group</b> Keith M. Azzopardi - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Smart Materials</b> Mark Bajada - Chairman, <b>Bajada Group</b>
17:10	<u>Insights from Scaling a Unicorn &amp; Navigating Multiple Exits</u> <span>FIRESIDE</span>	Pep Gomez - Founder, <b>Fever</b> and <b>Reby</b>
17:30	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	

11:00	<b>Stage Opening</b>	Luisa González, Head of European Projects, <b>EU-Startups</b>
11:10	<u>How to Craft &amp; Deliver a Successful Pitch</u> <span>KEYNOTE</span>	Beth Susanne - <b>Global Pitch Coach</b>
11:35	<u>The Importance of Student/Academic Entrepreneurship &amp; University Spin-outs</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Donnie Sc Lygonis - Innovation Strategist, <b>KTH Innovation</b> Marcus Haberstroh - Managing Director, <b>SpinLab</b> Elsa Callini - Deputy Head of the Innovation Office, <b>University of Bern</b> Sai Shivareddy - Founder & CEO, <b>Nyobolt</b>
12:15	<u>Equity Crowdfunding: Dos &amp; Don'ts</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Christopher Burge - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Spark Crowdfunding</b> Crégoire Touazi - Legal Counsel, <b>Crowdcube Europe</b> Mindaugas Valiulis - Policy Officer, <b>European Commission</b> Nora Szeles - CEO, <b>Tőkeportál</b>
12:55	<u>Startup Accelerators in Europe</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Allard Luchsinger - Managing Director, <b>Techstars Amsterdam</b> Giovanni Vaccari - Managing Director, <b>Startupbootcamp</b> Quinten Selhorst - Partner, <b>EWOR</b>
13:30	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
15:00	<u>Building Strong Startup Ecosystems Across Europe</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Alejandro Fernández - Chief Business Officer, <b>Barrabés.biz</b> Arthur Jordão - Executive Director, <b>ESNA</b> Sissel Hansen - Founder & CEO, <b>Startup Guide</b> Thomas Kösters - Managing Director, <b>Deep Ecosystems</b>
15:30	<u>Public Grants vs. VC Funding</u> <span>PANEL</span>	David Seoane - Head of Digital Business Development, <b>FundingBox</b> Dimitar Vassilev - Board Member, <b>EIC &amp; SMEs Executive Agency</b> Marie Latour - European Affairs Director, <b>Euro-Funding</b> Viktorija Trimbela - Managing Director, <b>Coinvest Capital</b>
16:00	<u>Blue Economy: Ocean-Focused Innovation Making Big Waves</u> <span>PANEL</span>	Anthony Bellafiore - Investment Manager, <b>Katapult</b> Audrey Caruana - Head Startup Support, <b>Malta Enterprise</b> David H. Røisland - CCDO & Co-Founder, <b>Smart Ocean</b> Taha El Ouaryachi - Co-Founder & Managing Director, <b>ATAREC</b>
16:30	<u>8 AI-Focused, EIC-Backed Startups Will Take the Stage to Showcase Their Business</u> <span>PITCH</span>	Ekke Van Vliet - Investment Coordinator, <b>EIC Fund</b>
17:10	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	

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10:00	<b>Welcome to Day 2</b>	Arianne Alcorta - Journalist & MC
10:05	<b>KEYNOTE</b> <u>International Expansion &amp; Scaling Across Europe via Organic Growth and M&amp;A</u>	Aron Gelbard - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Bloom &amp; Wild</b>
10:15	<b>FIRESIDE</b> <u>Insights from the Entrepreneurial Journey of Building an AI Learning Companion of the Future</u>	Michał Borkowski - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Brainly</b>
10:35	<b>KEYNOTE</b> <u>From Aeronautical Engineer to Ireland's First Astronaut: A Journey to the Stars</u>	Norah Patten - <b>Astronaut</b>
10:50	<b>PITCH</b> <b>Investors on Stage</b>	Featuring 15 Top VCs Present Their Firms and Investment Focus
11:20	<b>PANEL</b> <u>The Startup Media Landscape, PR Tips &amp; Tricks</u>	Akansha Dimri - Founder & EiC, <b>Tech Funding News</b> Mike Butcher - Editor-at-Large, <b>TechCrunch</b> Thomas Ohr - Founder & CEO, <b>EU-Startups</b>
11:55	<b>FIRESIDE</b> <u>From Bootstrap to Billion: The Signavio Success Story</u>	Gero Decker - General Manager, <b>SAP Signavio</b>
12:20	<b>PITCH</b> <b>Pitch Competition: First batch - 9 finalists</b>	Allard Luschinger - Managing Director, <b>Techstars Amsterdam</b> Angelo Burgarello - Managing Partner, <b>Look AI Ventures</b> Isabella Yamamoto - Principal, <b>Visionaries Club</b> Fernando Peres Ferreira - Partner, <b>Ventures.eu</b>
13:05	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
14:30	<b>PITCH</b> <b>Pitch Competition: Second batch - 6 finalists</b>	Allard Luschinger - Managing Director, <b>Techstars Amsterdam</b> Angelo Burgarello - Managing Partner, <b>Look AI Ventures</b> Isabella Yamamoto - Principal, <b>Visionaries Club</b> Fernando Peres Ferreira - Partner, <b>Ventures.eu</b>
15:00	<b>KEYNOTE</b> <u>The Market Entry Matrix: FINOM's Playbook for Scaling Across Europe</u>	Kos Stiskin - Co-Founder & VP of Strategy, <b>Finom</b>
15:10	<b>PANEL</b> <u>How Europe Can Compete in Quantum &amp; AI on the Global Stage</u>	Rodrigo Hernandez - Global Director, <b>Multiverse Computing</b> Sabrina Maniscalco - Founder & CEO, <b>Algorithmiq</b> Serge Lemonde - Senior Director, <b>NVIDIA's Startups Program</b>
15:45	<b>KEYNOTE</b> <u>Learnings from Early Failures that Shaped Picnic's Success &amp; Tips on How to Scale</u>	Daniel Gebler - Founder & CTO, <b>Picnic</b>
16:00	<b>PANEL</b> <u>Transforming Women's Health - The Evolution of Femtech</u>	Ekaterina Gianelli - Venture Partner, <b>Calm/Storm</b> Helen O'Neill - Founder & CEO, <b>Hertility</b> Ida Tin - Co-Founder, <b>Clue</b> Valentina Milanova - Founder & CEO/CPO, <b>DAYE</b>
16:35	<b>FIRESIDE</b> <u>Insights from Building a Global Platform that Empowers Smarter Shopping Decisions</u>	Gerhard Trautmann - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Atolls</b>
17:00	<b>Closing Remarks &amp; Pitch Competition Winner Announcement</b>	

11:00	<b>Welcome to Day 2</b>	Oisín Lunny - Event MC
11:05	<b>PANEL</b> <u>How to Master Sales as a Startup or Scale-Up</u>	Iryna Krepchuk - Investment Associate, <b>Trind Ventures</b> Kai Brandt - CEO, <b>Genesy</b> Sean Evers - VP of Sales & Partner, <b>Pipedrive</b> Zoltan Vardy - Founder & B2B Sales Expert, <b>The Launch Code</b>
11:40	<b>KEYNOTE</b> <u>Unlocking EU Startup Opportunities: Insights from the EUxVC Report &amp; Innovation Radar</u>	Louis Geoffroy-Terryn - Head of Research Operations, <b>Dealroom</b>
11:55	<b>PANEL</b> <u>How to Get Investment-Ready &amp; Find Investors that Match Your Needs</u>	Igor Ryabenkiy - Managing Partner, <b>Altair Capital</b> Nina Dremelj - Managing Partner, <b>Vesna Deep-Tech Fund</b> Thomas Bigagli - Partner, EMEA Ventures, <b>Plug and Play</b>
12:30	<b>PANEL</b> <u>Corporate Venturing in Europe: From Pilots to Scalable Partnerships</u>	Gabriela Matic - Venture Partner, <b>Aerospace Xelerated</b> Manuel Mendigutía - Sr. Strategy Adviser & Programme Coordinator, <b>EIC</b> Victoria Hernandez Valcarcel - Board of Directors (NED), <b>CaixaBank</b>
13:00	<b>PANEL</b> <u>Seamless Scaling: How Global-First Startups Are Using Fintech to Expand at Speed</u>	Ben Hornby - Director of SME & Growth, EMEA, <b>Airwallex</b> Tomasz Pawliszyn - CEO, <b>AirHelp</b> Valentina Milanova - Founder & CEO/CPO, <b>DAYE</b>
13:35	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>	
15:00	<b>PANEL</b> <u>Pivot and Persist: Resilience Lessons for Startups</u>	Ida Tin - Co-Founder, <b>Clue</b> Jonathan Bernwieser - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Everleaf</b> Mantas Vaskela - CEO & Founder, <b>AISPECO</b>
15:30	<b>PANEL</b> <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, <b>Ecommpay</b> Ian Coppini - Risk Advisory Director, <b>Deloitte Malta</b> Martin van Oyen - Head of Legal & Compliance, <b>FINOM</b> Meiran Galis - Founder & CEO, <b>Scytale</b>
16:00	<b>PANEL</b> <u>AI Regulation: Opportunities &amp; Challenges for AI Innovation in Europe</u>	Christian Rebernik - Co-Founder & CEO, <b>Tomorrow University</b> Eoghan O'Neil - Senior Policy Officer, <b>AI Office, European Commission</b> Jennifer Woodard - VP of AI, <b>Logically.ai</b> Thomas Cuvelier - Partner, <b>RTP Global</b>
16:30	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	

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