

Textiles

- 10:00am – 10:10am **Opening** - Friedrich Barth, GEC Founder & CEO
- 10:10am – 10:20am **Welcoming Address** - Hans-Jürgen Petruschke, Landrat of the Rhine District Neuss
- 10:20am – 10:30am **Keynote** – Dr. Robert J. Reinhard, Sustainable Business & Strategy Consultant, UN Environment Programme (UNEP)
- 10:30am – 10:45am **GEC Factory Scale-up Journey**
Dr. Marie Hurtgen, GEC Director Technology & Venture
- 10:45am – 11:10am **Pitches & Scale-up Stories** by GEC Factory Innovators
Moderation: Anna Demes, Venture Developer Sustainable Textiles
- 11:10am – 11:40am **Coffee Break / Meet & Greet** (Innovators & Investors)
- 11:40am – 11:55am **Keynote** - Prof. Martin Stuchtey, Founder of The Landbanking Group & SYSTEMIQ
- 11:55am – 12:10pm **GEC Catalyst Journey**
Daniella Russo, GEC Chief Innovation Officer
- 12:10pm – 12:55pm **Pitches & Scale-up Stories by** GEC Catalyst Innovators
Moderation: Katarzyna Dembska, Catalyst Manager
- 12:55pm – 2:00pm **Lunch Break / Meet & Greet** (Innovators & Investors)

Textile Innovators:

GEC Factory:

MycoTEX by NEFFA

Resortecs

retraced

GEC Catalyst:

EEDEN

Ito Ito

Kintra

Memi Textiles

Thullex

AgriPlastic & Food

- 2:00pm – 2:10pm **Opening** - Friedrich Barth, GEC Founder & CEO
- 2:10pm – 2:25pm **Keynote – Zitouni Ould-Dada**, Deputy Director FAO (Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations)
- 2:25pm – 2:55pm **Pitches & Scale-up Stories by GEC Catalyst Alumni**
Moderation: Katarzyna Dembska, GEC Catalyst Manager
- 2:55pm – 3:25pm **Coffee Break / Meet & Greet** (Innovators & Investors)
- 3:25pm – 3:35pm **Feeding the World in a Sustainable, Healthy & Resilient Manner**
Besan Dahboor-Engel, GEC Venture Developer Agriculture & Food
- 3:35pm – 4:15pm **Food Innovators Showcasing Investment Opportunities**
Moderation: Besan Dahboor-Engel, GEC Venture Developer
- 4:15pm – 4:30pm **Closing First Day** - Friedrich Barth, GEC Founder & CEO
- 4:30pm – 6:00pm **Meet & Greet** (Innovators & Investors)

AgriPlastic Innovators:

GEC Catalyst Alumni

Carbon Upcycling

enVerde

Biotic

Food Innovation presented by:

Catalyst: to be announced

Factory: to be announced

Friday, October 21, 2022, 10:00 am – 12:30 pm

Energy

- 10:00am – 10:10am **Opening** - Friedrich Barth, GEC Founder & CEO
- 10:10am – 10:25am **Keynote – Winter is Coming: Geopolitics, Resilience and the Role of Innovation**, Andreas Kuhlmann, CEO DENA
- 10:25am – 10:35am **Entrepreneurs for Regional Energy Independancy, Self-Sufficiency & Resilience**, Dr. Svetlana Nikolic Poligenis, GEC Senior Scientific Advisor
- 10:35am – 11:00am **Energy Innovators Showcasing Investment Opportunities**
Moderation: Dr. Svetlana Nikolic Poligenis, GEC Senior Scientific Advisor
- 11:00am – 11:30am **Coffee Break / Meet & Greet** (Innovators & Investors)
- 11:30am – 11:45am **Keynote - Mona Neubaur**, NRW Minister of Economy, Industry, Climate Protection & Energy
- 11:45am – 12:30pm **Panel Discussion: How Do We Break Free of Energy Dependency?**
Moderation: Dr. Veerle Vandeweerd, Senior GEC Advisor, former Director Environment & Energy at UN Development Programs
- 12:30pm – 1:30pm **Lunch Break / Meet & Greet** (Innovators & Investors)

Energy Innovation presented by:

Catalyst to be announced

Factory to be announced

Panelists:

Mona Neubaur, NRW Minister of Economy

Andreas Kuhlmann, DENA

Dr. Detlef Drake, E.ON Energy Research Center @ RWTH Aachen

Prof. Lechtenböhmer, Wuppertal Institute

Ruth von Giesen, Stadtwerke Krefeld

Friday, October 21, 2022, 1:30 pm – 3:40 pm

Building & Living

1:30pm – 1:40pm **Opening** – Friedrich Barth, GEC Founder & CEO

1:40pm – 1:50pm **Welcoming Address** – Christian Bommers, Mayor of the City of Meerbusch

1:50pm – 2:05pm **Keynote – Challenges and Options of Re-designing the Building Environment**, Marc Weissgerber, Co-Founder & Partner at BAUHAUS EARTH

2:05pm – 2:35pm **Coffee Break / Meet & Greet** (Innovators & Investors)

2:35pm – 3:20pm **Panel Discussion: Future GEC Building Showcasing Sustainable Innovation**, Moderation: Fritz Barth/ Dr. Veerle Vandeweerd

3:20pm – 3:30pm **Launch of the GEC Call for Solutions "Building & Living"**
Friedrich Barth, GEC Founder & CEO

3:30pm – 3:40pm **Wrap Up & Future Outlook** – Friedrich Barth, GEC Founder & CEO

Panelists:

Marc Weissgerber, Bauhaus EARTH

Holger König (Architekt, BNB, DGNB) -
online