

Thursday, October 20, 2022, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

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 – Towards Sustainability and Circularity in the Textile Value Chain**
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 – 1:00pm **Pitches & Scale-up Stories by** GEC Catalyst Innovators
Moderation: Katarzyna Dembska, Catalyst Manager
- 1:00pm – 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

Thursday, October 20, 2022, 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm

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 – 4:20pm **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, 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Energy

9:30am – 9:40am **Opening** - Sebastian Gronwald, GEC Co-Founder & CFO

9:40am – 9:55am **Keynote – Winter is Coming: Geopolitics, Resilience and the Role of Innovation**, Andreas Kuhlmann, CEO DENA

9:55am – 10:15am **Presentation of GEC Energy Innovators**
Moderation: Sebastian Gronwald, GEC Co-Founder & CFO

10:15am – 10:25am **Entrepreneurs for Regional Energy Independancy, Self-Sufficiency & Resilience**, Dr. Svetlana Nikolic Poligenis, GEC Senior Scientific Advisor

10:25am – 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 – 11:45pm **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)

GEC Energy Innovators:

NANOO

AVM

New Energy Innovation presented by:

Catalyst to be announced

Factory to be announced

Panel Round:

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 **Announcement 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

Panel Round:

Marc Weissgerber, Bauhaus EARTH

Holger König (Architekt, BNB, DGNB) –
online

Prof. Dr. Thomas Stengel, University of
Munich

Further panelists to be announced