

<p>Wednesday April 25   10:00 AM - 10:15 AM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Welcome Note: Introduction Connecting Startup Cities Conference</b></p>	<p><b>Dr. Rainer Seider</b> Head of Unit European and International Cooperation</p>
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<p>Wednesday April 25   10:15 AM - 11:00 AM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Opening Panel: Asia meets Europe</b></p> <p>Despite different economic and social standards in Asia and Europe the chances and challenges for startups resemble one another: The creation of sustainable innovation depends on the long-term effects and growth of economic ecosystems and how startups are able to use the advantages of internationalization in the world market, despite their (initially) small size and management capacities, for their own benefit. Asian and European experts discuss the framework conditions for a successful start in European and Asian markets and the possibilities for transcontinental cooperation. The digitalization opens doors to markets and to new possibilities in micro- and macroeconomic areas: Like no other economic branch the startup and digital sector understood early that intercontinental exchange is a profound fundament for innovation management and business development.</p>	<p>Presentation: <b>Derk Marseille</b> Panellists: <b>Christian Rickerts</b> (Staatssekretär) <b>Nora Terrado</b> (DTI Undersecretary, Philippines)</p>
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<p>Wednesday April 25   11:30 AM - 12:10 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: „From Chaos to Co-Creation“ Accelerators and Incubators as doorway to foreign markets</b></p> <p>Setting foot in a new market isn't a piece of cake. In this session Accelerators and Incubators get together to speak about the perks of diving into the world of innovation when working with startups. How can they support ventures set foot in foreign markets? Success stories will be shared, failures illuminated and challenges exchanged.</p>	<p>Panellists: <b>Bernard Moon</b> (Co-Founder &amp; Partner at SparkLabs Group) <b>Holly Harrington</b> (Taiwan Startup Stadium) <b>Neha Jain</b> (Co-founder &amp; director, ZNation Labs) <b>Konstanze Neumann</b> (Co-Founder Atomleap)</p>
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<p>Wednesday April 25   12:15 AM - 01:00 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: Female Entrepreneurship in Action</b></p> <p>Female entrepreneurship - a topic that shouldn't need attention anymore but to reach equality it requires open handling and constructive dialogue. Experienced female entrepreneurs talk about their experiences as successful entrepreneurs and how female founders inspire and initiate change in societal and political thinking</p>	<p>Moderator: <b>Sissel Hansen</b> (Founder &amp; CEO, Startup Guide)</p> <p>Speaker: <b>Rinchy Deng</b> (BD Directors in PINGWEST, Director of Startup Grind)</p> <p><b>Guangzhou</b>, Founder of Lean In Guangzhou)</p> <p><b>Naomi Kurahara</b> (Infostellar)</p> <p><b>Lara Haemmerle</b> (VANTIK Finance)</p> <p><b>Nora Terrado</b> (DTI Undersecretary)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:00 PM - 02:45 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: Connecting FinTech Ecosystems</b></p>	<p>Moderator: <b>Christian Trumm</b></p> <p>Speaker: <b>Sanjeev Kumar</b> (Research Director at Burnmark, Mumbai)</p> <p><b>Abhishant Pant</b> (Founder at Cashless Journey, Mumbai)</p> <p><b>Jerome Eger</b> (CEO, ginmon China, Shanghai)</p> <p><b>Tobias Pfütze</b> (Partner, FinTech China, Shanghai)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:45 PM - 03:30 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: Lending, Factoring and more - Is there any problem FinTech can't solve?</b></p>	
<p>Wednesday April 25   04:00 PM - 04:20 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Keynote: Greening Blockchain - Enabling Decentralized Green Energy Networks</b></p> <p>How to architect a decentralized and resilient energy generation and consumption network? Cryptocurrencies can be integrated into finance, creating a distributed green energy ecosystem. Mr. Cao Yin, blockchain expert with international practical experience ranging from China to Estonia, will introduce a new economy paradigm with a green energy based monetary system.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Cao Yin</b> (Founding Partner &amp; Chief Strategy Officer at Energy Blockchain Lab)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   04:25 PM - 05:00 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Keynote: To infinity and beyond - Application Possibilities of Blockchain</b></p> <p>Hack for climate! In order to achieve sustainable development in line with SDGs and the Paris Agreement on climate change, both regulatory and technological innovation are vital. With today's world becoming increasingly digital and decentralised, the technology troika of IoT, DLT/Blockchain, and AI is particularly relevant. Regulators and market participants must embrace such innovation for climate action at the scale needed and within the timeframe available.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Nick Beglinger</b> (CEO and Founder of Cleantech21)</p>

<p>Wednesday April 25   05:15 PM - 05:30 PM   Foyer</p> <p><b>ASK ME ANYTHING</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Cao Yin</b> (Founding Partner &amp; Chief Strategy Officer at Energy Blockchain Lab)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   05:30 PM - 06:30 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>PITCH SESSIONS</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Fabian Leipelt</b> (FWesttech Ventures) <b>Takeshi Ebihara</b> (Rebright Partners)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   11:30 AM - 12:10 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Keynote: Top 10 Trends for Tech in China</b></p> <p>We will cover different aspects of rapid smartphone penetration in China, including the growth of mobile payments and consumer credit lending, new retail, and entertainment (live streaming, gaming). Participants can expect to walk away with an understanding of how smartphone adoption in China has impacted its tech industry, differentiating it from that of the West.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Eva Xiao</b> (China reporter at Tech in Asia) <b>Yuki Sato</b> (Tech Journalist, WIRED Japan &amp; The Budge) <b>Sissel Hansen</b> (Founder &amp; CEO, Startup Guide)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   12:15 PM - 12:30 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Keynote: Co-innovation @ Strategic Alliances</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Nav Qirti</b></p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   12:40 PM - 01:00 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Keynote: Upgrading Business - The Age of Business 3.0</b></p> <p>East Asia is an assembly of anachronisms. While some businesses have pioneered some of the most convenient and integrated mobile shopping experiences, others have continued to use fax for business operations. Learn how companies in East Asia quietly reconcile these contradictions, choose the digital tools they incorporate, and utilize them to innovate business products and models.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Athena Lam</b> (Founder of Business 3.0)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:00 PM - 02:15 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Keynote: Eastward Bound: Business Model To Consider For European Startups Looking To Expand To ASEAN</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Miguel Encarnacion</b> (VP and Director for Financing &amp; Investment Novel Capital, Inc.)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:15 PM - 02:30 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Keynote: Skill Gaps - are startups getting what they need from university graduates?</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Prof. Andreas Zaby</b> (President HWR Berlin)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:30 PM - 03:00 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Keynote: Session about Shenzhen as a financial center - chances for tech and young companies</b></p>	

<p>Wednesday April 25   04:00 PM - 04:45 PM   Room 1</p> <p><b>Panel:</b> <i>The rise of purpose - How the good guys make the world a better place</i></p>	
<p>Wednesday April 25   04:45 PM - 05:30 PM   Room 1</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> <i>Digitalise. Not Digit-ise: Remembering the ,human‘ in our modernization</i></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Ruo-Mei Chua</b> (Founder &amp; CIO SUTW Impact Consulting)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   11:30 AM - 11:50 AM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> <i>Making it in Myanmar - Chances for startups companies in the new Myanmar economy</i></p> <p>Chances and possibilities of making Business in the Mon state of Myanmar. The local government of this southern state of Myanmar is willing to invest into the development of their region. They are seeking partners and investors for several projects. Special points of interest are food export, rubber processing, sugar processing and solar energy supply for private homes.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Thanegi Preuss</b></p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   11:50 AM - 01:00 PM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Keynote &amp; Workshop:</b> <i>Think Like A Startup, Act Like A Corporate - Fostering Intrapreneurship in Corps</i></p> <p>The 106yo IBM has transformed itself from a company designed by engineers into a company engineered by designers. By embracing Design Thinking to cultivate an intrapreneurial spirit within, this talk shared a few stories and insights on how the forming of IBM iX and several initiatives transformed the IBM culture. And this human-centric approach didn't just work for IBM but also hundreds of client businesses across the globe, especially the growing Asia market.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Michael Tam</b> (UX Design &amp; Creative Lead of IBM in Hong Kong)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:00 PM - 03:30 PM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Workshop:</b> <i>Idea Validation made easy</i></p> <p>Workshop &amp; Key insights on Business modelling, design thinking , go to market, idea validation, customer acquisition.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Neha Jain</b> (Co-founder &amp; director, ZNation Labs)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   04:00 PM - 05:15 PM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Workshop:</b> <i>GIG Participant</i></p>	

<p>Wednesday April 25   11:30 AM - 01:00 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Ignite Talks/Presentation:</b> <i>Cooperation of Startup Ecosystem (SUAB, German Accelerator, GINSEB, Start Alliance, APW)</i></p> <p><b>Workshop:</b> <i>Comparing Startup Ecosystems</i></p> <p>Startup Meter and Impact Hub Asia exclusively present the results of an assessment of the startup ecosystems of Jakarta, Kuala Lumpur, Manila and Singapore. Based on 80+ indicators the framework conditions for entrepreneurship in these major Asian metropolises are measured, compared and evaluated in the Startup-Friendliness-Index. The results will go live during the Connecting Startup Cities Conference and can then be found on the interactive online platform <a href="http://www.startup-meter.org">www.startup-meter.org</a></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>enpact</b> <b>Stephanie Arrowsmith</b> (Frontier Innovators) <b>Ces Rondario</b> (Impact Hub Asia) <b>Jan Lachenmayer</b> (Startup Meter) <b>Rainer Seider</b> (APW)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:00 PM - 02:30 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Fireside Chat:</b> <i>How Berlin is perceived in Asia - a japanese and chinese vision)</i></p>	<p>Moderator: <b>Takeshi Ebihara</b> (Rebright Partners) Speaker: <b>Ikuo C. Hiraishi</b> (Founder &amp; CEO, DreamVision Inc.)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   02:30 PM - 03:30 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Meetup:</b> <i>Getting to know each other</i></p>	<p>Participants: <b>SUAB Alumnis, re:publica / GIG-Teilnehmer &amp; serveral asian guests</b></p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   04:00 PM - 04:20 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> <i>Hidden Social Champions - South Korea at the forefront of social innovation</i></p> <p>South Korea has one of the most vibrant and advanced social economies in Asia. Behind the scene, a lot of social entrepreneurs and impact ecosystem builders have been working together and supporting each other in order to create sustainable impacts. The speaker will highlight those hidden champions and share their changemaking journey in the session.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>HKelly Shin</b> (Global Partnership Director at ROOTIMPACT)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   04:25 PM - 04:45 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> <i>Digitalisation, Meet Impact - Cases in Tech Social Startups in Mobility and Health</i></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Ruo-Mei Chua</b> (Founder &amp; CIO, SUTW Impact Consulting)</p>
<p>Wednesday April 25   04:45 PM - 05:30 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b> <i>Reimagining Learning for the 21st century</i></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Rosa Lopez</b> (Sparklelab)</p>

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<p>Thursday April 26   10:00 AM - 11:00 AM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: AI in HR. The future of corporate culture (Funding trends in HR Tech)</b></p> <p>Finding the right job is hard. Finding the right hire is just as challenging. How do we get a better match for employer and employee? Experts will discuss the newest technologies in recruitment using artificial intelligence to predict human and share how artificial intelligence can revolutionize the hiring process. Will this be the end of recruitment as we know it?</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Miguel Encarnacion</b> (VP and Director for Financing &amp; Investments Novel Capital, Inc)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   11:30 AM - 11:50 AM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Keynote: Bot with a taste</b></p>	
<p>Thursday April 26   11:50 AM - 12:30 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: Are we all high on AI?</b></p>	<p>Moderator: <b>Peter Schlecht</b> (Consultant) Speaker: <b>Ramzi Rizk</b> (EyeEm) <b>Michael Brehm</b> (i2x)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   12:40 PM - 01:00 PM   Foyer</p> <p><b>ASK ME ANYTHING</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Fabian Westerheide</b> (Asgard.vc)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   02:00 PM - 03:30 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: Future Mobility - connected car, automation, e-mobility</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>James “Jimmy” Cliff</b> (Germany Manager at Mobike) <b>Dirk Evenson</b> (Director NMW Logistics) <b>Jürgen Mayntz</b> (High Mobility)</p>

<p>Thursday April 26   04:00 PM - 04:20 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Keynote: <i>Out of this world: Communication in space - more than just a vision</i></b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Naomi Kurahara</b> (Infostellar)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   04:45 PM - 05:30 PM   Kinosaal</p> <p><b>Panel: <i>Asian Investments in Berlin - Why are German Ventures of high interest for Investors in Asia?</i></b></p> <p>Despite their tempting magnitude and dynamics Asian markets still seem difficult to access in terms of geographic, cultural, political and societal parameters. The sensed barriers prevent European investors from actively looking for investments in Asia whereas Asian investors are already more engaged with investing abroad, particularly in Germany. Experts examine particularities of investments from and into Asian countries, consider national differences, and picture a realistic image of the actual risks and opportunities investors face.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Gwendolyn Regina</b> (Angel Investor) <b>Song Yun</b> (Senior Advisor at Shanghai Foreign Investment Development Board for Shanghai Overseas Investment) <b>Fabian Westerheide</b> (Asgard.vc) <b>Ikuo Hiraishi</b></p>
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<p>Thursday April 26   11:30 AM - 11:50 AM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Keynote: <i>Renewable Energy - Stop blaming the government and build a company</i></b></p> <p>Shizen Energy, one of the largest renewable developer, was established 2011 after the earthquake. Japan is the 3rd largest energy consumption country in the world and gradually changing to renewables. The presentation will cover the potential of the market of Japan and Asia and how the start up company grew in the conservative industry such as energy.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Ken Isono</b> (Shizen Energy)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   12:15 PM - 01:00 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Panel: <i>City Land Garden Food: How Urban Farming and AgriTech Change Agriculture</i></b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Dr. Pan Tao</b> (Urban Program Director of Sustainable Community, Founder of Institute for Sustainable Environment &amp; Energy) <b>Erez Galonska</b> (CEO &amp; Founder, Infarm)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   02:00 PM - 02:45 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Fireside Chat: <i>Challenges in the healthcare industry and how to work with the big players</i></b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Fan Yuan</b> (Head of Asia, Caspar Health)</p>

<p>Thursday April 26   02:45 PM - 03:30 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Panel: <i>From wearable to devices - the future of HealthTech Hardware</i></b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Jay Fayardo</b></p>
<p>Thursday April 26   04:20 PM - 04:45 PM   Raum 1</p> <p><b>Workshop: <i>City Innovation (Citymakers) Hardware</i></b></p> <p>Social Innovation meets Urbanism - Support CITYMAKERS Entrepreneurs; Smart City, Eco City, Low Carbon City and Future City.. These labels all describe progress in urban spaces. CITYMAKERS, a joint project by CONSTELLATIONS International and the Robert Bosch Foundation, adds the concept of the „liveable city“ to Sino-German exchange through asking: What constitutes life quality in the respective cities? CITYMAKERS believes that complementary to technological progress, we also need to harness social innovation as well as joint learning and identification processes. CITYMAKERS set up an incubator program to support entrepreneurs in three focus areas: The future of living, urban agriculture and city culture/identity</p> <p>In this workshop, you will support three entrepreneurial teams in tackling a challenge that their start-up faces. You will be introduced to innovation strategy tools such as Theory U and Human-Centered Design and empower the three teams to move forward with their idea.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Dr. Pan Tao</b> (Urban Program Director of Institute for Sustainable Communities, Founder of Institute Sustainable Environment and Energy)</p>
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<p>Thursday April 26   10:00 AM - 11:00 AM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Keynote &amp; Workshop: VR Time Travel</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Peter Gensch</b></p>
<p>Thursday April 26   11:30 AM - 01:00 PM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Workshop: PHOTO - Create your own business</b></p> <p>Experience the journey of innovation in just 2 hrs through PROTO. PROTO is a business innovation game to inspire new ideas. Challenging your strategic thinking, creativity and storytelling skills, PROTO charms you with the chaos of entrepreneurship. Suitable for: aspiring intra/entrepreneurs, innovation managers, consultants, project teams, HR leads. This will be a fun and interactive session, allowing participants to cross-inspire, interact and challenge each other.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Brian Tam</b> (Founder of Let's Make Great!)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   03:10 PM - 03:30 PM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Keynote: Dopavision</b></p>	
<p>Thursday April 26   04:00 PM - 05:30 PM   Raum 2</p> <p><b>Workshop: Cities are for humans! How can we make people-centred smart cities?</b></p> <p>How Smart Are Our Smart Cities really? Smart cities optimize the use of technology in the design and operation of buildings and infrastructure in a way which meets the current and future needs of their citizens. But are our cities truly smart yet? Or do we need to re-think what it means to be smart? What lies beyond the buzz? Truly smart cities have to be about more than just harnessing technology; they require consideration of governance and growth, urban development and infrastructure, the environment and natural resources, society and community in a holistic and multidisciplinary approach. What does it mean to bring the human back into focus of being ,smart'? In this Workshop we will explore the potential of human centered design methods in the context of smart cities. Using case studies from Asia and Europe, we will discuss the question of how to design cities of the future.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Nav Qirti</b> (Principal, ideactio) <b>Katharina v. Sohlern</b></p>
<p>Thursday April 26   10:20 AM - 10:40 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Keynote: AI in Action - How to digitalise SMEs using AI</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Wee Leng Tay</b> (uberall)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   11:30 AM - 12:30 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Workshop: How to make your own bio plastic</b></p>	

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<p>Thursday April 26   04:00 PM - 04:20 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Keynote: <i>Smart Cities as a Service</i></b></p> <p>Everybody and each nation has different definition of ,Smart city'. But how can we implement those different goals? From each individual's wishes for betterment in the living environment utilizing innovative hightech elements to the wide spectrum of integrated implementing strategies, the session on ,Smart City as A Service' would provide participants with actual idea how to make the projects feasible based on urban development experiences of Korea. Now, it's time to think about ,How'.</p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Younghoon Son</b> (Director, KLHC India Office)</p>
<p>Thursday April 26   04:00 PM - 04:20 PM   Raum 3</p> <p><b>Keynote:</b></p>	<p>Speaker: <b>Bernard Moon</b> (Co-Founder &amp; Partner at Sparklabs Group)</p>