INVITATION

DIGITAL INNOVATIONS FOR EUROPEAN VALUES, WOMEN EQUALITY & ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

Digital. Purpose Driven. European

Evolving Program Agenda
April 26-28, 2023
The European Young Innovators Festival in Graz - a purpose driven learning journey.

European society faces multiple crises - the climate crisis, democracy crisis, inflation and a war at the European borders. To hack these crises, we need innovation, solidarity and European cooperation. The European Young Innovators Festival in Graz is an inclusive platform for knowledge exchange and learning for young entrepreneurs, students, businesses and government from all over Europe. Participants meet on eye level, discussing current crises and supporting young digital entrepreneurs and their impact solutions.


Why Graz?
Graz is the perfect hosting city, as city of Human rights, city of design, city of culture, in the middle of the Green Tech Valley and with universities and innovation agencies.

Join the European Young Innovators Festival in Graz

• Be inspired by the Innovation Pitches by the 15 European Young Innovators
  Digital solutions for the UN SDGs by young European social entrepreneurs
• Gain new skills in engaging workshops
• Connect with the entrepreneurial and innovation ecosystem in Graz and Styria
• Discuss in a multi-stakeholder process, how you can contribute to a united Europe, show solidarity and learn from each other
• Act on the world’s most pressing issues and learn how digital content can make a difference
• Work with international students from all across Europe
• Celebrate the European Young Innovators during the award ceremony with high level attendees and contributors

Welcome to the European Young Innovators Festival in Graz!
The past year showed how fragile our society, our comfort, the European peace project, our way of living are. The war in Ukraine caused an economic crisis, climate change needs our attention and we still face huge challenges in education, gender equality, employment, or democratic processes.
The European Young Innovators Festival offers a platform for bold and honest discussions among all stakeholders but, most importantly, allows us to listen to and learn from young digital entrepreneurs across Europe, who don’t accept the status quo but are already coming up with innovative solutions for societal challenges.
I am very much looking forward to meeting you online and in Graz.

Let’s Connect & Act for Impact.
Peter A. Bruck, WSA Chairperson, Austria
European Young Innovators Festival
April 26-28, 2023
Graz, Austria

Wednesday, April 26

15:00-17:00
Festival Warm Up and Get2Know each other
Murinsel
for all festival attendees
facilitator: Josine Bakkes, Community Builder and Coach, Netherlands

19:00-21:00
Welcome reception and European Lightning Talks (on invitation only)
Cityhall, Graz
Learn why Graz is the perfect hosting city for the European Young Innovators Festival.
City of Design. City of Human Rights. City of Green Tech. City of Universities. City of Culture
Moderated by: Peter A. Bruck, WSA Chairperson
• Anita Gagovska, mPreneur program, Poraka Nova, North Macedonia
• Wanda Tiefenbacher, „Kenne deine Rechte“. youth engagement and human rights
• Eberhard Schrempf, Managing Director, Creative Industries Styria
• Martin Mössler, CEO, Science Park
• Bernhard Puttinger, CEO, Green Tech Cluster
• Günter Riegler, City Councillor for Business and Culture, City of Graz
• Sandra Holasek, Member of the Styrian parliament

Inspiration Boost - Quick intro to the European Young Innovators 22
European Lightning Talks moderated by:
Odeta Iseviciute and Angelika Mitteregger, Startup Services, City of Graz

Safe YOU, Armenia | AILEM, Belgium | Spiritus, Croatia | WeUse, Denmark
diGIRLab, Germany | The Oater, Germany | Carexchange, Greece
Kontekt, Hungary | Dbox, Lithuania | Teachers Lead Tech, Lithuania
EduCat, Poland | Girls Global Ready, Poland | Dopomoha, Romania

Innovation is a journey.
10 Meters of Thinking, Performance Talk
Paul Hughes, 10 Meters of Thinking, Ireland

Thursday, April 27

08:30
European Young Innovators Conference.
Interactive Discussions. Pitching. Mentoring
Shuttle bus from Hotel Daniel to Seifenfabrik (international delegates)

08:30 - 09:00
Check In and Registration @ Seifenfabrik
Seifenfabrik
Thursday, April 27

**EUROPEAN VALUES AND SOLIDARITY**

09:00  
*Welcome. Collaborate. Your voice counts. Citizen Rights, Equality and Values*

**Peter A. Bruck**, WSA Chairperson

09:15-09:50  
*My Europe. Bureaucracy or hope of the planet?*

5 min Shot Talks, moderated by **Nora Wolloch**, WSA Executive Manager

**Adam Montandon**, Founder Speakers Impact Network, UK/Denmark, **Neringa Jurčiukonytė**, Media for Change, Lithuania  
**Dominic Ellwardt**, UNESCO Youth Representative, AT, **Tanja Madzarevic**, UNICEF BiH,  
**Carolina Rossi**, MoonAdvisors, Chile, **Arsham Edalatkhah**, Nochba, AT/Iran, **Atabo David**, Chairperson of the EU Youth Sounding Board Nigeria

10:00-11:30  
*Purpose or Profit? How to sustain as social business?*

Fishbowl Session - Interactive discussion moderated by **Peter A. Bruck**

with input from **Paul Mayer**, CDO Atempo, AT, **Connor Sattely**, Int. Hub Manager, Social Enterprise Academy, USA, **Uli Grabenwarter**, Deputy Director, Equity Investments, EIF, Luxembourg,  
**Ana Alvares Monge**, Founder Migrapreneur, Germany, **Dolores Daniel**, Investor Relations Latitude59, Estonia and everyone who has something to share and learn from.

11:45-13:00  
*There is no Planet B. Activism, Innovation, System Change.*

World Cafe Session - facilitated by AIESEC student moderators from Graz, Austria

meet and talk to table hosts:  
**Christa Kloibhofer-Krampl**, Gernot Schröck, **Georg Nistl** from Next Incubator  
**Irene Polycarpou**, rector of UCLAN Cyprus  
**Greta Ziegler**, Green Tech Valley  
**Diana Materi**, City of Graz  
**Wanda Tiefenbacher**, Kenne deine Rechte*: youth engagement and human rights

13:00-14:00  
*Connect 4 Impact. Networking Lunch*
Thursday, April 27

13:30

Breathing techniques and getting focused with Pia Frizberg
For pitching entrepreneurs

SOLUTIONS 4 IMPACT

Digital impact solutions & their founders | Learn. Shape. Repeat
Parallel pitches: Choose your track, be inspired & contribute with your insights and knowledge.

13:30 - 14:00
Breathing techniques and getting focused with Pia Frizberg, for pitching entrepreneurs

14:00 - 15:00

CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

moderated by:
Mathias Haas, CEO SuperSocial, Austria
Nochba, Austria
artSIP, Austria
AILEM, Belgium
Spiritus App, Croatia
Carexchange, Greece
PLYNX, North Macedonia
Bintern, North Macedonia
Talasalita, Philippines
OnDuka, Uganda

15:00 - 16:00

CLIMATE CHANGE & ENVIRONMENT

moderated by:
Denby Royal, Your Arbor, Canada
s2 data & algorithms, Austria
WeUse, Denmark
The Oater, Germany
Dbox, Lithuania
Sakahon, Philippines

16:30 - 17:30
Stepping it up.
Reflections and action points for the next days

HEALTH, WELL-BEING & EDUCATION

moderated by:
Odeta Iseviciute, Serial Entrepreneur, Lithuania
Drimble, Austria
MIRI TV, Austria
AlQalam, Egypt
diGIRLab, Germany
MarthaEDU, Jordan
Teachers Lead Tech, Lithuania
MedGrab, Singapore
Kura Kura, Singapore
eMun, Uganda

INCLUSION & GENDER EQUALITY

moderated by:
Paul Zwölf er, Ideentriebwerk, Austria
SafeYOU, Armenia
SteadySense, Austria
HerzensApp, Austria
Kontekt, Hungary
EduCat, Poland
Girls Global Ready, Poland
Dopomoha, Romania

17:45
Return from Seifenfabrik to Hotel Daniel
Sit next to a person you don’t know yet
(international delegates)

19:00 - 22:00
International welcome reception and dinner
by Christopher Drexler, Governor of Styria
On invitation only
Burg Graz, Weißer Saal
EUROPEAN YOUNG INNOVATORS
SKILLS WORKSHOPS & MATCHMAKING ROUNDTABLES

**1:1 Mentoring Breakfasts for EYI winners**
Hotel Daniel
Mentors: Denby Royal, Canada; Ana Monge, Germany; Lena Hödl, Austria; Adam Montandon, Denmark; Ana Brigovic, Croatia; Dolores Daniel, Estonia; Eva Hiesmair, Austria; Panagiots Andreou, Cyprus; Connor Sattely, USA; Carolina Rossi, Chile; Mustafa Özer, Turkey; Sebastian Diaz, Chile; Philipp Maier, Austria

**Univation Breakfast**
Hotel Daniel
Co-hosted by Barbara Hinterleitner and Peter A. Bruck, WSA Univation with Franziska Uhing, FH Kiel, Attila Horangi and Craig Johnson, MÔME Hungary, Tanja Madzarevic, Laboratorium Tuzla, BiH, Christian Friedl, FH JOANNEUM, AT, Magdalena Diem, FH Campus02, AT

**Skills workshops for entrepreneurs & students**
venue: Unicorn

10:30 - 12:00

**Cross Border Scaling**
Workshop by Jasper Ettema, Startup Coach, AT

**Impact Measurement**
Workshop by Connor Sattely, International Hub Manager, Social Enterprise Academy, USA

**Go to Market**
Workshop by Jan M. Kaczmarek, CEO Most Foundation, Poland

12:30 - 14:00

**Create video content like a pro**
(using only your phone)
Workshop by Eva Hiesmair, Filmmaker, Startup Coach, Austria

**Storytelling for social entrepreneurs**
Workshop by Mathias Haas, CEO SuperSocial, Austria

**Networking lunch**

10:30 - 12:00

**Innovation Ecosystem**
Roundtable moderated by Hannah Wundsam, CEO, Austrian Startups with WSA National experts from Estonia, Chile, Lithuania, Israel, Turkey, Hungary, Albania, Cyprus, Iceland, ...

**For ecosystem movers & shakers**
venue: Lendhafen

**For community builders**
venue: Seddwell Center

12:30 - 14:00

**SDGs, me & my company**
Workshop in German language by Daniel Langer & Lorenzo Chiappani impactory, Austria

**WSA National Experts Roundtable**
venue: tbc
by Caroline Assaf, Lead WSA Global Network
Hotel Daniel

**Networking lunch**

14:30 - 16:30

**Netwalking & CityTour - Get2Know Graz while deepening your connections**
(meeting point: Graz main square in front of Hunkemüller shop)
19:00

**GET UP, STAND UP! (stand up for your rights)**
**AWARD CEREMONY FOR EUROPEAN YOUNG INNOVATORS, MPRENEURS & UNIVATION & AFTER PARTY**

with

**Günter Riegler**, City Councillor, City of Graz
**Judith Schwentner**, Vice-Mayor City of Graz
**Juliane Bogner-Strauß**, Regional Minister for Health, Sports and Society

MCs: **Nina Popanton**, Chief of Staff DIO, Austria
**Adam Montandon**, Founder Speakers Impact Network, UK/Denmark

Live performance by **Lino Leum** "insights inside machines I" (2022) for motors, feedbacks and video

**Shut up and dance with me...**
afterparty with **DJ Ivory Parker**

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**TICKETS:**
Day 1, 27.04. € 79
Day 2, 28.04. € 49
Both days: 27.+28.04. € 99

80% discount for students, using the code "STUDENTS". Show your students pass at the registration desk.

Book your ticket [here](#)
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