

# E-CAPITAL Summit 2025 AGENDA



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# EarthxCapital

**Catalyzing** Action and Impact in Sustainability Investments and Business Innovation

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## KEY PARTNERS

### Investors:

Family Offices  
Endowments  
Private Equity & Venture Capital Firms  
Angel Investors  
Private Credit  
Institutional Investors & Asset Managers

### Innovators:

Entrepreneurs  
Startups or Established Middle Market Companies

### Industry:

Global Established Companies (Middle Market & Fortune 1000)  
Industry Trade Associations

### Dealmakers:

Financial Advisors  
Investment Banks  
Law & Accounting Firms

### Innovation Ecosystem:

Incubators & Accelerators  
Research Labs  
Policy Makers  
Academics/Universities  
Non-profits/Thought Leaders

## MAIN INITIATIVES

### Raising Awareness & Educating to Help Inspire

Annual E-Capital Summit, One-on-One Meetings, EarthxTV Programming

### Convening to Help Inspire & Connect

Annual E-Capital Summit, Sustainability Dealmaker Series, Capital Connections Events, Impact Challenges

### Connecting to Help Catalyze Impact through Deal Making

**Innovator EarthXCapital Connections:** Innovator-focused capital introductions

**Investor EarthXCapital Connections:** Investor-focused capital introductions

**E-Commercialization Connections:** Industry-focused sales introductions for Innovators

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**THIS INVITATION-ONLY**, sustainability-focused investment and innovation conference brings together hundreds of investors, innovators, deal-makers and others who are focused on having substantial, positive impact on investments, businesses, people, and our planet.

Over the past eight years, it has convened more than 3,000 participants from over 20 countries, including active participation from more than 520 leading investors and more than 550 emerging innovators.

The E-Capital Summit offers a unique opportunity to network with industry peers, identify new investment opportunities, learn about new technologies to solve sustainability or resilience challenges, and meet potential customers.

## Sustainability Investing: Making the Business, Investment, and Political Case

## AGENDA SCHEDULE

### TUESDAY, APRIL 22

HILTON ANATOLE

**1:30 pm** **Innovator Workshop**  
Sponsored by Fieldstone Partners

**3:30 pm** **EarthxCapital Woman-to-Woman  
Leadership Symposium**

**5 pm** **Opening Reception**

DALLAS RESTAURANTS

**7:30 pm** **Small Networking Dinners**

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23

HILTON ANATOLE STEMMONS BALLROOM

**7:30 am** **Networking Breakfast**

Sponsored by Astera

**9 am** **Investment Forum Welcome**

**Trammell S. Crow** - Founder, EarthX

**Vikram Agrawal** - Senior Director, EarthxCapital, EarthX

**9:05 am** **What's Next? Economic & Market Impact  
on the Sustainability Transition**

**Michael Taylor** - Global Asset Allocation Analyst, Vice President, CFA, Wells Fargo Investment Institute

**Michael Mondshine** - Vice President, Sustainability, Energy and Climate Change, Stantec

**9:25 am** **National Security Driving Innovation &  
Investment Opportunities**

**Christopher Miller** - Former Acting Secretary of Defense, United States Government

**Joe D'Cruz** - Co-Founder and Managing Director, Catalyze Partners

**9:45 am** **State Governments Providing National  
Leadership**

**The Honorable Sid Miller** - Agriculture Commissioner, State of Texas

**Ronel Golden** - Founder, RSRG Consulting

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## Wednesday Continued

**10:05 am** **Lessons in Leadership: Perspectives of an Innovator, Investor, and Ecosystem Leader**

**Michael Sonnenfeldt** - Entrepreneur and Philanthropist, Chairman and Founder of TIGER 21, Chairman of MUUS & Co

**Kelly O'Connor** - Co-Founder & Managing Partner, StageLight Group, SCALE Global

**10:25 am** **Break**

**10:50 am** **Bi-Partisanship Going Forward: Sustainability Investing After the Elections**

**11:10 am** **Texas Economic Development Driven by Energy Resilience & Market Transformation**

**Bobby Tudor** - CEO, Artemis Energy Partners (Retired Founder and CEO of Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co.)

**Juliana Garaizar** - Founding Partner, Energy Tech Nexus

**11:30 am** **Lessons in Leadership: Oceans of Investment & Innovation Opportunities**

**The Honorable Tim Gallaudet** - Retired U.S. Navy Rear Admiral, Former NOAA Administrator - Ocean STL Consulting, LLC

**Dr. Sylvia Earle** - National Geographic Explorer at Large, Founder, Mission Blue (Renowned oceanographer, marine biologist, explorer, and author)

**Dr. Julie Pullen** - Earth System Scientist & Climate Tech Investor, Ocean Visions

**12 pm** **Keynote Luncheon: A Four-Star Tour of the World: Strategic Leadership for Investors, Innovators, and Change Agents**

Sponsored by Hunt Consolidated

**General David Petraeus** - U.S. Army General (Ret.), Former Director, US CIA, Partner, KKR, and Chairman, KKR Global Institute

**Meredith Walker** - Global Economist, MMW Research

**1:25 pm** **Innovator Pitches - Climate Tech Prize Semi Finals**

**1:45 pm** **Investment & Innovation Opportunities in Driving Energy Resilience**

**Pat Wood** - CEO - Hunt Energy Network, Former Chairman, Public Utilities Commission, Former Chairman, US FERC

**Pablo Vegas** - President & CEO, ERCOT

**Eric Powell** - Director, Partners in Performance, Part of Accenture

**2:10 pm** **Lessons in Leadership: Traditional Tech Innovator & Investor Views on the Energy Transition**

**Jack Selby** - Managing Director, Thiel Capital

**Ashish Sethia** - Managing Director & Global Head of Commodities, Energy, Environmental Markets & Product Strategy - BloombergNEF

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**2:30 pm** **Lessons in Leadership: Corporates and Industry as Strategic Innovation Partners**

Vijay Manthripragada - CEO, Montrose Environmental Group

Caitlin Brumme - CEO, MassChallenge

**2:50 pm** **The Importance of Sustainability with Consumer-Focused Brands**

Devon Leahy - Head of Sustainability, L Catterton

Will Butler - Senior Director of Portfolio, Unreasonable Group

Rogers Healy - Founder & CEO, Morrison Seger Venture Capital Partners

**3:10 pm** **Break**

**3:30 pm** **How Family Offices Can Fill & Mitigate the Funding Gap**

Rick Davis - Co-Founder & Managing Partner, LOHAS

Aisling Carlson - Senior Vice President of Partnerships and Investor Programs, Greentown Labs

Chelsea Toler - President, Family Foundation & Logictory

**3:50 pm** **Lessons in Leadership: Scaling an Industry Disruptor & Managing Manufacturing Supply Chains Today**

Phil Chen - CEO, Cold Electric

Richard Amato - Executive Director, Austin Technology Incubator

**4:10 pm** **Innovator Pitches - Climate Tech Prize Semi Finals**

**4:30 pm** **Financial Innovation & De-Risking Future Opportunities**

Allen Gelwick - EVP & Partner, Global Energy Power, Transition and Renewable, Lockton

Rebecca Taylor - Strategic Advisor & Investor

**7 pm** **EarthX Banquet**

## THURSDAY, APRIL 24

**8 am** **E-Capital Connections: Private Equity, Venture Capital, Funds/LPs**

**8 am** **E-Commercialization Connections**

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**1:30 pm** **EarthX Climate Tech Prize Finals**

Powered by Climate Solutions Prize

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**ALLEN GELWICK**  
EVP & Partner, Global Energy Power, Transition and Renewable, Lockton



**ASHISH SETHIA**  
Managing Director & Global Head of Commodities, Energy, Environmental Markets & Product Strategy - BloombergNEF



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**CHELSEA TOLER**  
President, Family Foundation & Logicty



**CHRISTOPHER MILLER**  
Former Acting Secretary of Defense, United States Government



**GENERAL DAVID PETRAEUS**  
U.S. Army General (Ret.), Former Director, US CIA, Partner, KKR, and Chairman, KKR Global Institute



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**MEREDITH WALKER**  
Strategist and Industry  
Advisor



**MICHAEL  
MONDSHINE**  
Vice President,  
Sustainability, Energy and  
Climate Change, Stantec



**MICHAEL  
SONNENFELDT**  
Entrepreneur & Investor,  
Founder and Chairman,  
Tiger 21



**MICHAEL TAYLOR**  
Global Asset Allocation  
Analyst, Vice President,  
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Technology Incubator



**RICK DAVIS**  
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**ROGERS HEALY**  
Founder & CEO, Morrison  
Seger Venture Capital  
Partners



**RONEL GOLDEN**  
Founder  
RSRG Consulting



**THE HONORABLE  
SID MILLER**  
Agriculture Commissioner,  
State of Texas



**DR. SYLVIA EARLE**  
National Geographic  
Explorer at Large and  
Founder - Mission Blue



**THE HONORABLE  
TIM GALLAUDET**  
Retired U.S. Navy Rear  
Admiral, Former NOAA  
Administrator

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**VIJAY  
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Environmental Group



**VIKRAM AGRAWAL**  
Senior Director,  
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## E-CAPITAL CONNECTIONS

### VENTURE CAPITAL

#### Overview

9th Annual dealmaking event focused on catalyzing impact by connecting early stage investors with early stage companies and innovators focused tackling sustainability related challenges that could have substantial, positive impacts on investments, businesses, people and our planet.

Over the past eight years, more than 440 leading investors have connected with more than 550 emerging innovators.

#### Participants

- Angel Investors
- National & International Incubators & Accelerators
- Venture Capital Firms
- Growth Equity Firms
- Texas, US, and Global Family Offices
- Early stage innovators (pre commercialization to growing firms)

#### Format

- One-on-One meetings (In-person)
- Speed dating format (15-20 minutes meetings)
- Mix of curated meetings (Suggestions provided by EarthxCapital) and self-selected meetings during designated session

### PRIVATE EQUITY / GROWTH EQUITY

#### Overview

Private equity dealmaking event focused on catalyzing impact through investment dealmaking with sustainability focused companies and projects in the middle market.

Leading private equity firms, private credit providers, and dealmakers (investment bankers and other financial advisors) will meet in person to help a dealmaking ecosystem focused on sustainability, clean technology, and resilience.

#### Participants

- Private Equity / Buyout Firms
- Growth Equity Firms
- Texas, US, and Global Family Offices
- Sustainability focused Investment Bankers and M&A Advisory
- Sustainability related Industry coverage Investment Bankers (Water, power/energy, building materials, infrastructure, natural resources, consumer, IT/Telecom, Food & Ag, & others)

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## INDUSTRY INNOVATOR CONNECTIONS

### FUNDS / LPs:

#### Overview

Networking event focused on connecting private investment firms and private fund managers with fund investors (potential limited partners) to help bridge the capital divide and drive capital to emerging and established fund managers that are actively investing in innovators that are tackling sustainability related challenges that could have substantial, positive impacts on investments, businesses, people and our planet.

#### Participants

- Venture Capital Firms (Fund Managers)
- Growth Equity & Private Equity Firms (Fund Managers)
- Texas, US, and Global Family Offices
- Endowments, Pension Funds
- Outsourced CIOs and Consulting Firms

#### Format

- One-on-One meetings (In-person)
- Speed dating format (15-20 minutes meetings)
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### E-COMMERCIALIZATION CONNECTIONS

#### Overview

Sales focused dealmaking event that will catalyze impact by helping innovators commercialize their innovative products and services.

Innovative companies will showcase products and services to leading Fortune 1000 & middle market companies seeking critical solutions to various sustainability & resilience related challenges in their daily operations.

#### Participants

- Leading middle market and Fortune 1000 Companies across various industries
- Sustainability or relevant procurement officers
- National & International Incubators & Accelerators
- Early-stage Innovators at pre commercialization stage with initial prototypes
- Commercialization stage innovators in need of initial commercialization partners
- Growth stage Innovators with proven products & services already embrace by industry

#### Format

- One-on-One meetings (In-person)

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## EARTHX CLIMATE TECH PRIZE

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#### Overview

The EarthX Climate Tech Prize is EarthX's highly successful pitch competition for early-stage innovators that are tackling some of the world's most critical climate and environmental challenges through innovative technologies, products, or services. Hundreds of companies have applied of which only a select group are invited to participate in the Semi-Finals held during the annual E-Capital Summit. Of which, three to five companies are selected to compete live on stage during the Finals, where they will need to impress a panel of judges comprised of leading investors, dealmakers or industry professionals. Everyone who participates is truly a winner, but only one company will take home a cash prize. Recent winners include an agtech innovator from Kenya and a materials innovator from New York.

#### Eligibility

- Early-stage startups focused on sustainability or climate tech
- Annual revenue of less than \$250k
- Less than \$500k in dilutive funding raised

### RECENT WINNERS

2021

**SafiOrganics**

Location: Wang'uru, North Kiangop, Kenya  
Industry: Agtech

2022

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Location: Ithaca, New York, USA  
Industry: Materials Science

2023

 **FluxWorks**

Location: College Station, Texas, USA  
Industry: Frictionless Gear Technology

2024

**En Solución**

Location: Austin, Texas, USA  
Industry: Agtech/Food

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