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2026 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/HNWIs
Endowments & Pension Funds
Growth Equity/ Private Equity & Venture Capital Firms
Angel Investors
Private Credit
Institutional Investors & Asset Managers
Foundations

Innovators:

Entrepreneurs/Startups
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, Webinars and Workshops, 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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STRATEGIC PARTNERS



INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM PARTNERS



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

Over the past nine years, it has convened more than 3,200 participants from over 40 states and 25 countries, including active participation from more than 570 leading investors and more than 630 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:
Driving Global Re-engagement Through
Pragmatism**

AGENDA SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 20

HILTON ANATOLE

1:30-4:30 pm **Innovator Workshop**
Sponsored by Fieldstone Partners

3:30-5 pm **EarthxCapital Women's
Leadership Symposium**

3:30-5 pm **Investor Practitioner Workshop***
**Hosted by Ceres. Invitation-only.*

5-7 pm **Opening Reception**
*Sponsored by Hunt Consolidated
and Wells Fargo*

DALLAS RESTAURANTS

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

HILTON ANATOLE

7:30 am **Networking Breakfast**

9 am **Investment Forum Welcome**

Trammell S. Crow - Founder, EarthX

Vikram Agrawal - Senior Director, EarthxCapital,
EarthX

9:05 am **State of the Sustainability Investment &
Innovation Markets**

Chris Creed - Managing Partner and Co-Head,
Credit and Capital Solutions, Galvanize and Former
CIO, DOE LPO

Mark Levitt - Managing Director, Global Head
of Family Offices and Private Wealth, Global
Infrastructure Partners, a part of BlackRock

9:25 am **Canada Providing Investment & Innovation
Leadership**

Olivier Desmarais - Chairman, Power Sustainable

Moderator: Galith Levy - Chief Executive Officer,
Climate Solutions Prize

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Tuesday Continued

9:45 am **Texas Providing Leadership in a Pragmatic Approach to Energy**

Barry Smitherman - Former Chairman, Public Utility Commission of Texas and the Texas Railroad Commission

Becky Klein - Former Chairman, Public Utility Commission of Texas

Moderator: Sean Voigt - Founder, Energy Innovation Hub Texas

10:05 am **Y'all Street: Why Innovators & Investors Should Look to Texas**

Senator Bryan Hughes (R) - State Senator, Texas Senate

Senator Nathan Johnson (D) - State Senator, Texas Senate

Moderator: Chris Babcock - Senior Partner, Foley

10:25 am **Break**

10:50 am **US Federal Government Driving Pragmatic Innovation Across All Industries**

Luis Ortiz, Deputy Director - Commercialization, ARPA-E

Whitney Hastings - Chair, Federal Laboratory Consortium

Moderator: Richard Amato - Executive Director, ATI

11:10 am **Non-Obvious Idea: Where does Industry Go from Here?**

Ben duPont - Managing Director & Co-Founder, Chartline Capital

Jon Miller - Partner, Advancit Capital & Former CEO, AOL

11:30 am **Environmental Sustainability & Conservation are National Security Imperatives**

President Felipe Calderon - Former President, Republic of Mexico

11:50 am **Networking Luncheon**

1 pm **Break**

1:40 pm **EarthX Climate Tech Prize Semi-Finals Pitches**

2 pm **Traditional Energy Industry: Why Innovation Matters**

John Dabbar - Executive Director, National Petroleum Council

Wayne Christian - Commissioner, Texas Railroad Commission

Moderator: K. Tibor Toth - Senior Investment Director - Strategic Venturing, Aramco Ventures

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2:20 pm **Sustainable Solutions Driving Profitability & Risk Mitigation in the Built Environment**

Louis Dubin - Principal & Managing Partner, Redbrick LMD

Steve Oyer - Founder and Managing Partner, Sustainable Finance Partnerships

John O'Brien - Managing Director, Sustainability & Climate, Deloitte

2:40 pm **Investing in a Circular Economy in a Resource Constrained World**

Matthew Jennings - Head of Commercial Sustainability and Circularity, DLL

Elizabeth Blankenship-Singh - Director - Investments, Overlay Capital

Moderator: Danielle Holly - Executive Lead - North America, Ellen MacArthur Foundation

3 pm **Innovative Water Solutions Needed to Solve Critical Industry Challenges**

William Brennan - Chief Strategy Officer-InfraDX & Executive Chairman, Verano Water

Judd Hill, Director - Water infrastructure, I Squared Capital

Bill Malarkey - Partner, Roland Berger

3:20 pm **Break**

3:40 pm **EarthX Climate Tech Prize Semi-Finals Pitches**

4 pm **Sustainable Innovation Driving Profitability in the Industrial World**

Devan Malhotra - Co-Founder and General Partner, Valhalla Ventures

Eric Rubenstein - Managing Partner at New Climate Ventures

Sarah Derdowski - Group Manager, IN2 & Innovation Entrepreneurship Center, National Laboratory of the Rockies

4:20 pm **Institutional Investor & LP Perspectives: What has Changed?**

Michael Benedict Yamoah - VP, Stewardship Director, EOS at Federated Hermes

Emma Harper - Vice President, Institutional Research and Client Relations, Sage Advisory

Moderator: Andrew Collier - Director, Freedom to Invest, Ceres

4:40 pm **Catalyzing Capital & De-Risking Investments Through Philanthropic Capital**

Dana Bezerra - President - Americas, CREO

Margret Trilli - CEO and Chief Investment Officer, ImpactAssets & ImpactAssets Capital Partners

Moderator: Karen Korponai - Investment & Philanthropic Advisor

5 pm **EarthX Ocean Innovation Prize Finals Pitches**

Sponsored by the Christo Foundation

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5:20-7 pm Congress of Conferences Networking Reception

7-9 pm EarthX Awards Banquet

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

HILTON ANATOLE

8am - 12pm E-Capital Connections: Private Equity, Venture Capital, Funds/LPs

8am - 12pm E-Commercialization Connections

1:30-3 pm EarthX Climate Tech Prize Finals
Sponsored by MassChallenge

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Director - Freedom to Invest, Ceres



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BECKY KLEIN

Former Chairman, Public Utility Commission of Texas



BEN DUPONT

Managing Director & Co-Founder, Chartline Capital



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Partner, Roland Berger



SENATOR BRYAN HUGHES

Senator (R), Texas State Senate



CHRIS BABCOCK

Senior Partner, Foley & Lardner LLP



CHRIS CREED

Managing Partner & Co-Head of Credit, Galvanize Climate Solutions



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E-CAPITAL CONNECTIONS

VENTURE CAPITAL

Overview

10th 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 nine years, more than 570 leading investors have connected with more than 630 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

heat⁻¹

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

2025

zero electric

Location: Austin, Texas, USA
Industry: Grid Mapping & Reliability

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