

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

CIRCULAR REPUBLIC FESTIVAL 2025

Build your competitive advantage

22-23 MAY 2025

Please be aware that the program is still subject to change.

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Green Stage

Ground floor + Live Stream Online

Blue Stage

Ground floor

Workshop Area

powered by | BertelsmannStiftung

Start-up Area

1st floor

CIRCULAR
HACKFEST

MAKERSPACE

09¹⁵ Doors open | Welcome & grab a coffee

10⁰⁰ Opening & Facing uncertain times: Circular economy as a strategy for resilient businesses with A. Bilgeri & H. Schönenberger.

10³⁰ Ecology: What nature says! With S. Dixon-Declève & J. Blériot

11¹⁵ It's the circular economy, stupid. With J. Lederbauer, C. Betz, L. Bauerochse & K. Kaminski.

10⁰⁰ Streaming: Green Stage

12⁰⁰ - 13⁰⁰ Lunch break & music

13⁰⁰ Automotive circular economy – shifting value pools and business model implications with D. Koschade, S. Lins, C. Schön, B. Kühl & A-C Fredershausen.

13⁴⁵ Circularity in electronics and automation: The future of german engineering? with E. Riesenhuber, L. Biedermann, A. Kriwet & P. Tullio.

13⁰⁰ EPR - building a blueprint for an industry system for textiles with S. Gerlach, J. Haas, S. Herrmann & M. Nawrocki.

13⁴⁵ Reuse vs. recycling – who will win the race for sustainable plastic packaging? With K. Trier, J. Knobloch & C. Köllner.

13⁰⁰ Opening Workshop Area & Product re-design workshop by CIRCULAR REPUBLIC.

14³⁰ - 15¹⁵ Coffee break & music

15¹⁵ No energy transition without a turnaround in resources with K. Peterwerth, K. Chandra, A. Klesse & M. Freiherr.

16⁰⁰ Getting the controller on board – financing the transition. Keynote by R. Stalker & A. Berger.

16³⁰ Chemistry in circularity – what the future holds. Panel with P. Seeberger, M. Häußler, G. Meier & C. Schiller.

17⁰⁰ Narrative shift: Putting climate and circularity back on the map by Focus Online Earth with J. Blériot, F. Reiter, L. Hinz & HP Kleebinder.

17⁴⁵ - 19³⁰ Hack´n´Talk: Best of Circular Hackfest by L. Schebitz with the keynote “From Vision to Reality: The Hands-On Journey to Circular Innovation” by A. Schneller & K. Reperich.



15¹⁵ Beyond the pilot: What it really takes to succeed in textile recommerce with C. Rosenberg, J. Oellrich, M. Peterson & M. Grosse Lutermann.

15¹⁵ Measuring circular impact: A framework for success with A S Blistein.

All day: Get inspired by circular **start-ups** and enjoy the **coffee bar** powered by IFAT

12³⁰ Opening & start-up-pitches & award I: **Circular inputs biobased**

13¹⁵ Start-up-pitches & award II: **Circular inputs waste to value**

14⁴⁵ Start-up-pitches & award III: **Product-as-a-service & sharing**

15³⁰ Start-up-pitches & award III: **Product lifetime extension**

09⁰⁰ Circular Hackfest

(Monday, 19.5 - Thursday, 22.05. from 9 - 19:30h)

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08⁰⁰ Breakfast sponsored by h&z/SUSTAINX - separate registration via [Link below this picture](#) or copy from here: <https://t1p.de/jgba3>

09⁰⁰ Doors open | Welcome & grab a coffee

09³⁰ Warm Up by L. Nima & T. Hörner.

09⁴⁵ The hottest lobbying topic of 2025: Circular economy. With K. Reuter, C. Oehlmann, A. Siegesmund, K. Schwaiger & R. Tauer.

10³⁰ The emperor’s new clothes? Unpacking AI’s true potential in CE. With V. von Weiß, M. Gerken, B. Bachus & M. Lanuschny.

11¹⁵ Circularity catalyst: Anchoring circular competences in organizations with Bertelsmann Stiftung, B. Wintermann, J. Götting & N. Braun.

09⁴⁵ The secret to supply chain resilience? The biggest step is the first one! with S. Steinert, M. Hauser, K. Reperich, M. Kuhlmann & S. Kleindienst.

10³⁰ Drill, baby, drill. How robots will dismantle all our products in the future with F. Franke, T. Ortmaier, J. Saenz & R. Zhu.

11¹⁵ Get real! Do we know why we need product passports? with P. Köhler, C. Cassignol & T. Vahle.

10¹⁵ Circularity pulse check – assess your progress and exchange with practitioners with A. Eisenreich, A. Löffler & M. Braun.

11¹⁵ Circular impact: Internal narratives that ignite change with Project Together. G. Rembe & F. von Loeper.

10³⁰ Start-up-pitches & award V: Circular enablers

12³⁰ Start-up-pitches & award VI: Resource recovery

Guided tours
(always on the hour - each 20 Min)

12⁰⁰ - 13⁰⁰ Lunch break & music

13⁰⁰ Recent EU policy developments: Why and how to ensure necessary attention to resource management. Impuls by A. Ciobanu-Dordea, J. Potočník & W. Tiedemann.

13⁴⁵ 30% growth year over year: How circular economy start-ups are outperforming traditional markets with T. Dreimann & I. Grieger.

14³⁰ Start-up-award ceremony with O. Carlsen.

15¹⁵ Mission (im)possible? Building regenerative economies in practice with M. Stuchtey, M. Obersteiner & M. Yokoyama.

15⁴⁵ Saying goodbye to #CRF25. See you next time! Outro by CIRCULAR REPUBLIC.

17⁰⁰ - 19⁰⁰ Movie night: “Lithium Rising - The race for critical minerals” with S. George, V. Tschapke, M. Queneuille & M. D’Heur by BERTELSMANN FOUNDATION DOCUMENTARY FILMS, rehab republic, Circular Munich and fixfirst.