



TENTATIVE PROGRAM

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 Basel, Switzerland

4th Edition of

Next-Gen Food & Health Tech Summit

Theme-Redefining Food & Health for the Next Generation

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Day 1

24-Jun-26

Location: Breakout 1

9:00 - 9:15 **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

Keynote Talk

9:00-09:30 (Reserved for Sponsor)

09:45 – 10:35 **Session 01: Future of the Food Tech and Health**

Leading the Future of Active Nutrition: Innovation in High-Protein Bars and Powders

09:30-09:50 Petra Den Dikken, R&D- QA Director of Prinsen Berning, Netherlands

Rethinking Food at Work: Technology, Health, and Experience

09:55-10:15 Marco Mottolese, Foorban, Italy

Designing for Longevity: How AI Can Help Build the Future of Functional Nutrition

10:15-10:35 Pablo Quintero, CEO & Founder of Flint, Spain

Lab grown meat... What is next?

10:40-11:00 Brett Thompson, Co-founder and CEO of Newform Foods, South Africa

11:00-11:25 **Networking Coffee Break & Exhibition Tour**

Session 02: Health-Focused Food Technology

11:25-11:45 **Green enabling technologies for vegetal proteins extraction and processing in food industry**

Prof. Giancarlo Cravotto, Researcher at University of Turin, Italy

11:50-12:10 **Synthetic to natural color transition, naturally, not exempt from challenges**

Mariano Di Rubbo, Sensient Technologies Europe GmbH, Germany

12:15-12:35

12:40-13:00

13:00-14:00 **Networking Lunch**

Session 03: Nutrition and Health

Potential of Sugar Alternatives: Effects on Appetite Regulation, Gastrointestinal Hormones and other Health Benefits

14:00-14:20 Anne Christin Meyer-Gerspach, Co-Head of St. Clara Research Ltd., Switzerland

14:25-14:45 **Green Salt – An healthier Alternative to Salt**

Raquel Marques, Co- Founder of SaliGreen, Portugal

14:50-15:10 **Evidence-Based Early Childhood Nutrition: Translating Science into Practical Guidance for Famili**

Nathalie Kienast, Founder of Noouri GmbH, Switzerland

15:15-15:35 **Dissecting the microbiome: from humans to soils**

Caterina Anna Maria La Porta, Center for Complexity & Biosystems, Italy

15:40-16:00 **Fueling a Healthier Tomorrow: The Evolutionary Power of Nutrition in Prevention**

Alexander Smerz, Head of Institute at The Future of Nutrition and Longevity Institute, Germany

16:00-16:20 **Networking Coffee Break & Exhibition Tour**

Session 04: Food Safety, Security and Quality

16:25-16:45 **From Compliance to Culture: Redefining Food Safety Education for the Next Generation**

- Carolina Ruiz Olivos, INNOCUITY, Chile
- 16:50-17:10 **Connecting Innovation and Collaboration in Food Safety**
 Benoit Declémy, Novolyze, France
 Moussa N'Diaye, Novolyze, USA
- 17:15-17:35 **Smarter Food Analysis with NIR Spectroscopy: Ensuring Quality, Safety, and Efficiency from Raw Materials to Final Products**
 Estefanía Pérez Fernández, BUCHI Labortechnik, Switzerland
- 17:40-18:00 **Update for Food & Health Leaders on Maximum Residue Limits (MRLs, including Import Tolerances)**
 Garth Drury, Senior Regulatory Affairs Consultant at DRURY Consulting SAS, France

Session 05: Sustainable "Zero-Waste

- 18:05-18:25 **Plate Smart": Rethinking Food Waste on the High Seas**
 Victor Mancilla Gonzalez, COLUMBIA signature and Chef Vico, Germany
- 18:30-18:50 **Avoiding Food Waste Through Water Activity Control and Monitoring**
 Cedric Gerber, Novasina AG, Switzerland

19:00

Closing Remarks & Thank You

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Keynote Talk

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09:45-10:30 Session 01: Future of the Food Tech and Health

- Hannes Wenzel, Givaudan International, Switzerland
 Paul Bouchier, Co-Founder at Foirfe Process & Product Solutions, Ireland
 Flynn Seeger, Oyster Bay Venture Capital, Germany
 Amelia Laplante, Lecturer and Programme Lead at Le Cordon Bleu Paris, France
 Kim Anders Odhner, Co-Founder of Unovis Asset Management, Netherlands

10:35 – 11:00

Networking Coffee Break & Exhibition Tour

Keynote Forum

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11:30-12:15 Session 02: Health-Focused Food Technology

- Moderator** Katharina Eist-Holland, Strategic Development Lead at Bene Meat, Czechia
 Grishma Mehta, Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Ireland
- Panellist** Emily Warburton-Adams, Co-Founder of Pow Food, United Kingdom
 Jyrki Lee-Korhonen, CEO/Co-founder of Perfat Technologies, Finland
 Nicolas Drelon, Founder of ACSIS, France

12:20- 13:05 Session 03: Nutrition and Health

- Moderator** Dale Pinnock, Owner of Dale Pinnock Nutrition, United Kingdom
 Arielle Dani Lebovitz, Founder & Pediatric Nutrition Expert at Kid Food Explorers, United States
- Panellist** Kamara Daniel, Ministry of Health Uganda, Uganda
 Nathalie Kienast, Founder of Noouri GmbH, Switzerland

Claudia Vásquez Alarcon, Founder of Original Story, Spain

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Networking Lunch

Keynote Forum

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14:30-15:15 **Session 04: Food Safety, Security and Quality**

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Gary M. Weber, Director Food Safety at Crisis24, United States

Panellist

Rolando Rivera, ESAN University, Germany

Yaamini Barathi Mohan, WiCyS Austin, United States

Esther Wangui Nyawira, Quality Assurance Officer at Kenya Bureau of Standards, Kenya

15:20-16:05 **Session 06: Climate-Smart Food Systems**

Moderator

Helen Ramsbottom, Research Associate at BloombergNEF, United Kingdom

Panellist

Kerry Babb, Founder & CEO of Paradise Group for Sustainable Development, United States

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09:30-09:50 **BUGMAN: Edible Insects as a Practical Solution for the Protein Transition**

Ferdy Molenaar, Founder at BUGMAN, Netherlands

09:55-10:15 **Preparing food factories for the next wave of robotics and AI**

Jake Norman, Managing Director at OAL, United Kingdom

10:15-10:35 **How Virtual Brands & Hybrid Kitchens Are Reshaping the Future of Food Delivery at Scale**

Joel Schüssler, Co-Founder at Just Virtual Food, Switzerland

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Session 02: Agrifood Tech

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Session 05: Processing and Packaging Innovations

Market Opportunities and Strategic Outlook for High-Value Compostable Flexible Films in the Food Packaging Sector, by José María Cobo

14:00-14:20

José María Cobo, CEO of TranXforma Food, Spain

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Networking Lunch

Session 06: Food Policy, Regulatory Frameworks, and Economic Impacts

16:25-16:45

Fixing Food Systems: From Policy to Plate

Julian Fris, Founder & CEO of Neller Davies Ltd, United Kingdom

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Boosters and Hurdles towards innovation in Fermented Foods

Antonio Del Casale, CEO at Microbion, Italy

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Session 04: AI and Digital Supply Chain

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Sébastien Alphan, Directeur Commercial Sales Director at INVEJA's plant-based solutions, France
Olga Guerous, CEO of Innopearl, Switzerland
Wilbert Hilkens, Director & founder of Food Supply Chain Labs, Netherlands
Lana Zivanovic, Co-Founder at C3M Leadership Group, Belgium

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Networking Coffee Break & Exhibition Tour

Keynote Forum

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11:30-12:15 Session 02: Agrifood Tech

Moderator

Shubhang Shankar, Managing Director at Syngenta Group Ventures, Switzerland

Panellist

Matija Zulj, CEO & Founder at AGRIVI, United Kingdom
Clement Santander, Partner at Arthur D. Little, France

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Moderator

Pieter Devuyst, Head of Agricultural and Food Policy at S&P Globa, Belgium

Panellist

Dorothee Arns, Director General of European Association of Chemical Distributors, Belgium
Abobaker S. Musaibah, The American University in Cairo, Egypt

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Moderator

Giacomo Celi, GS1 Global Office, Belgium

Panellist

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Moderator

Christoph Vogel, Business Unit Human Nutrition at Bühler, Switzerland

Panellist

JESUS S NUNEZ, President at ASOCIACION MEXICANA DE ENVASE Y EMBALAJE, Mexico

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