

Press Release

"It's time to deliver!" – 4th European Chemistry Partnering kicks off with keynote speaker Fernando J. Gómez from the World Economic Forum

- The presentation by Fernando J. Gómez, Head of the Chemical and Advanced Materials Industry Program at the World Economic Forum, underlines the importance of the chemical industry and a culture of innovation for the future
- Pre-Evening-Get-Together at the Frankfurt Chamber of Industry and Commerce
- ECP Business Breakfast and 1st ECP Job Exchange have been very well received

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The 4th European Chemistry Partnering (ECP) will present another highlight on 27 February in Frankfurt am Main: Only a few weeks after the World Economic Forum's Annual Meeting in Davos, the Forum's Head of the Chemical and Advanced Materials Industry Program, Fernando J. Gómez, emphasizes the global need for innovation and cooperation in the chemical industry in his keynote.

"With regard to the greatest sustainability challenges, cooperative action is more important than ever. It's time to deliver," emphasizes Gómez. The chemical and materials industries will play a central role if we are to achieve the 17 sustainability goals of the United Nations." To achieve these goals the industry must build action-oriented partnerships with a broad and increasingly complex range of stakeholders," says Gómez, who will address high-level representatives from the chemical industry and numerous user industries at the 4th ECP.

In addition to his presentation, Gómez and his colleagues have planned an interactive workshop on "Building blocks for sustainable chemical innovation". "World Economic Forum stakeholders are interested in taking a bottom-up approach in defining the key areas that need a higher return on innovation capital deployed to sustainable chemistry. We want to define priorities that can serve as a basis for greater cooperation and for the consolidation of a number of 'hubs' for innovation," says Gómez as he describes the strategy behind ongoing initiatives.

Dr. Holger Bengs, CEO of BCNP Consultants GmbH and initiator of the European Chemistry Partnering: "We are very proud to welcome Fernando J. Gómez, an outstanding personality from the World Economic Forum as a speaker at the 4th ECP. The growing interest in cooperation and exchange between small and large partners in this industry shows that the time for action has arrived. It is precisely in this spirit that the ECP is developing, not only presenting the existing, but also developing future-oriented initiatives as in an experimental laboratory and preparing the ground for a cooperative innovation culture for the future."

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Background:

97 percent of all products contain at least one chemical process step: renewable raw materials, enzymes, industrial biotechnology, new processes, products from residual materials, digitization, etc. are changing the processes in chemical value creation: starting with purchasing logistics on to production and finally marketing and sales. Interdisciplinary exchange is gaining in importance. With the ECP, an international chemistry community is growing that wants to derive more innovation from what already exists.

Further information: <https://european-chemistry-partnering.com>

European Chemistry Partnering: A brief overview

The European Chemistry Partnering is an event format in which the focus is on discussion about innovation along the chemical value chain. It is aimed at decision makers, innovation managers and investors in the chemical industry and its user industries, as well as industry-focused stakeholders and qualified service providers and consultants. The ECP consists of the elements: Keynote Speech, Partnering, Pitches, Exhibition, Workshops and Final Panel. Companies can describe their innovations in short presentations (Pitches) and arrange appointments via a software tool in advance (Partnering). The ECP always begins at the Get-Together on the evening before and it ends with a joint breakfast on the next day. Satellite events organized with partners emphasize its importance as both marketplace and meeting point for decision makers. The European Chemistry Partnering was conceived and initiated by Dr Holger Bengs, CEO of BCNP Consultants GmbH. The first event took place in 2017 and has been now organized twice a year since 2018.

Further information:

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