

Start-ups: Top 10 reasons to take part in the CEE-Economic Forum Velden

Entrepreneurs, managers, decision makers, journalists, start-ups, investors and business angels from Eastern and Southeastern Europe take part in the CEE-Economic Forum Velden to socialize and establish new contacts and networks. Speakers and participants of the Forum pass on their know-how and insider information during presentations, workshops and discussion. Pioneers Discover, a company that organizes Pioneers Festivals, as well as the Government of Carinthia act as start-up partners at the Forum. The official languages of the Forum are German, English and Russian. The simultaneous translation is available during the entire event. **Why do we think you should take part in the Forum?**

Top 10 reasons to participate in the CEE-Economic Forum:

1. Free Start-up package worth € 3.000 (excl. VAT): Your cost-benefit ratio

If you take part in the Forum, you can count on excellent service that leaves nothing to be desired. The start-up package, powered by the Government of Carinthia, includes following services for each start-up and two participants:

- Participation in the programme and all events of the Forum worth € 1.000 (excl. VAT)
- Participation in the exhibition of the posters and a start-up pitch worth € 2.000 (excl. VAT)
- Catering during the entire event
- Comprehensive event and framework programme

Start-ups pay only their travel expenses (max. of € 200-250):

- Travelling to the venue in Velden (max. of € 100-150, based on experience)
- 2-3 nights in one of the hotels in Velden (€ 28-36 a night, incl. breakfast, recommendation)
- innovative exhibition stand: please find the details on the price list (optional)

- 2. Unlimited networking:** you can meet investors, cooperation partners or journalists and profit from the superb worldwide network of Pioneers Discover. Pioneers Discover provide their extensive network consisting of major enterprises from all sectors of industry. You can definitely count on establishing both national and international contacts!
- 3. Publicity and customer potential:** you can meet possible customers and partners if you take part in the Forum. Top-notch leaders and participants from all over Europe and all sectors of industry take part in the Economic Forum Velden. Within the framework of the exhibition of the posters as well as the start-up pitch, your start-up is guaranteed to get extra attention.
- 4. Meet the decision makers:** Numerous decision makers, managers and entrepreneurs have taken part in the Economic Forum Velden since 2006. You get a unique opportunity to meet them and directly contact them. The majority of our participants make investment and cooperation agreements decisions on their own.
- 5. Clear focus on the cooperation agreements:** the focus of the Economic Forum lies on the cooperation agreements and networking. The Economic Forum is a perfect platform for you as a start-up to present your innovative ideas, exchange ideas and establish contacts.

6. **Inspiration at the exhibition and presentation:** you get a chance to present your ideas in the new light, offside stressful meetings, appointments or any cost pressure. Moreover, the participants of the exhibition present brand-new trends and products.
7. **Contact exchange and recruiting event:** students get a unique chance to broaden their knowledge and establish contacts to future employers, including start-up companies, due to the support of our sponsors.
8. **Start-up Award 2016:** within the framework of the Forum a competition between start-ups will take place. The awards will be given away in following categories: the best product, the most innovative start-up, the best presentation. The winners get a chance to present their start-ups exclusively at the international event. The start-ups can get various valuable prizes, including the participation in the Pioneers Festival.
9. **Fun, fun, fun:** you can relax and celebrate your success with like-minded people and get new inspirational ideas and positive effects of the group dynamics.
10. **Exclusive high-tech venue:** Velden is an exclusive venue, which is situated on the breath-taking Wörthersee Lake, where Slavic, Romance and Germanic cultures cross. You can indulge in numerous recreational activities and recharge your batteries. Carinthia is a place where various international companies, innovative start-ups and renowned research institutions are situated. You can reach the venue easily either by car, plane, bus or train.

Facts

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Information and registration: www.forumvelden.at

We look forward to seeing you in Velden!

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