European Forum Alpbach
Fundamentals | August 19 to September 04, 2020
Europe’s Festival of Ideas

When Nobel Price laureates, courageous entrepreneurs, extraordinary artists and engaged people from civil society meet in a small Tyrolean mountain village, new ideas are bound to emerge. When high-level CEOs, managers, politicians, academia and young experts are added to the mix, then actions quickly follow words. The European Forum Alpbach creates an interdisciplinary platform by inviting representatives of all democratic viewpoints and social backgrounds to engage in constructive dialogue. Through its network of scientists, intellectuals, innovators, opinion leaders, decision makers and young people, the European Forum Alpbach also fulfills the function of an interactive and open think tank and provides inspiration for societal debate.

4,800+ PARTICIPANTS

700+ SPEAKERS

100 COUNTRIES
Where ideas can grow
Each year hundreds of international speakers from academia, business, politics, culture and civil society have been transforming Alpbach into the European summer capital of discourse. Together with 4,800 participants, including more than 650 young scholarship holders from all over the world, they search for answers to the fundamental challenges our society faces.
## European Forum Alpbach 2020

### Fundamentals

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... and many more programme points:

Alpbach Campus Professional Programmes
Alpbach in Motion – Summit of Emerging Leaders
Alpbach Retreats
National and international partner organisations

In addition to our principal partners and co-promoters such as the Austrian Institute of Technology and ORF Radio Ö1, the European Forum Alpbach is supported by over 120 other partner organisations. These include international academic partners such as the University of Cambridge, the Belfer Center at Harvard University, the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis, and the College d’Europe - Natolin.
Alpbach retreats

Our international partners use the informal and interdisciplinary atmosphere for retreats in order to find solutions to the main challenges they are facing. Their conclusions form an integral part of the official conference programme and their participants act as speakers at a variety of sessions.

Topics of past retreats include:
- talent management (Helmholtz-Gemeinschaft)
- implementation of the SDGs (Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens)
- Erasmus + (OeAD GmbH)
In 2019, more than 700 national and international speakers accepted the invitations to Alpbach. Former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, Nobel Prize Laureate Joseph E. Stiglitz, extremism expert Julia Ebner, Rick Goings (Chairman Emeritus of the Tupperware Brands Corporation), and many more spoke at the Forum. One of the highlights of the programme was the visit of the President of the UN General Assembly María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés, who opened the Political Symposium together with the Austrian Federal President Alexander Van der Bellen and the former Austrian Chancellor Brigitte Bierlein.
Alpbach Scholarship Programme
The scholarship programme is made possible by sponsors, the Forum Alpbach Network (alumni) and the European Forum Alpbach Foundation. All over the world, they search for answers to the fundamental challenges facing our society.

650+ UNDER 30
95+ COUNTRIES
30+ ALUMNI CLUBS
Seminar Week

The Seminar Week is the academic heart of the European Forum Alpbach and is characterised by the space it gives to discussion, its interdisciplinary atmosphere and intergenerational dialogue. For a week, Alpbach becomes a hive of innovative knowledge transfer with academic, artistic and practical seminars.
European Forum Alpbach Venue

Congress Centre Alpbach & village of Alpbach, Tyrol, Austria

You will be awed by the beauty of Alpbach, a mountain village at 1,000 meters above sea level. The tranquil surroundings, far from the bustle of daily life, create a unique atmosphere bursting with novel ideas and new ways of thinking.
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