

## SPARK<sup>eiz</sup> INSPIRE

**Powering Energy Entrepreneurship** 



23.09.2025

05:00 - 7:00 p.m.



**Gründungszentrum STARTBLOCK B2** 

Kleiner Saal Siemens-Halske-Ring 2 03046 Cottbus



## **Event Schedule**

4:30 p.m. Registration and Welcoming

05:00 p.m. Introduction and Agenda

Dr. Jakob Pohlisch

**05:10 p.m.** Leveraging Science for Innovation:

How the World's Largest Physics Lab Empowers Deep Tech-Startups

Linn Kretzschmar

05:40 p.m. Beyond the LHC: Turning Fundamental

**Physics into Products** 

Tiago Neves

06:10 p.m. Q & A

06:30 p.m Networking

Drinks & Pretzels



## **Event Organisation**

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**EIZ SPARK Inspire Speakers** 



Keynote
Linn Kretzschmar
Entrepreneurship Development Officer
at CERN

Linn Kretzschmar is an Entrepreneurship Development Officer at CERN, where since May 2024 she has been leading CERN's deep tech startup initiative, the CERN Venture Connect Programme, enabling startups to access cutting edge CERN technologies and global networks. Joining CERN in 2022 as a Knowledge Transfer Officer, she specialised in transferring research driven technologies into industry - particularly environmental applications. Previously, as a Marie Skłodowska Curie researcher and lecturer at the Vienna University of Economics and Business, she coordinated technology valorisation projects in collaboration with CERN and over 30 industrial and academic partners. Linn holds an MSc in International Management from Copenhagen Business School.



Keynote
Tiago Neves
Founder and CEO of FiberSight

Tiago Neves is the founder and CEO of FiberSight, a Portuguese deep-tech company turning distributed fibre-optic sensing into practical leak, humidity and thermal intelligence for critical infrastructure. FiberSight's system monitors kilometres of assets with metre-level precision, helping data centres, utilities, airports and manufacturers prevent failures, save water and cut energy waste. Tiago holds a PhD in Photonics from EPFL and spent over eight years at CERN, where he contributed to integrating fibre-optic sensors on the Large Hadron Collider. He has authored 20+ scientific publications (130+ citations) and founded FiberSight in 2021, leading vision, strategy and science-driven product development.

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