

16th Annual AIPC Sales & Marketing Summit **Frankfurt, May 29, 2022** **AGENDA**

Location: Messe Frankfurt: Hall 4 - Meeting room Europa
Theme: Towards a bright future

09:15 – 09:45 Registration and welcome coffee

09:45 – 10:00 Welcome, program overview

10:00 – 10:30 The Big Picture: Industry Trends Impacting Centre Marketing

Drawn from a range of current research and analysis and the preliminary results of the 2020 AIPC Member Survey, this session will review the state of the most important industry trends and impacts and provide a sense of how centres around the world are responding. The client future outlook survey will provide insights along with issues such as competition, changing business practices, convergence, advocacy and new client expectations as well as the challenges in areas ranging from centre design to facility security.

Sven Bossu | CEO | AIPC

10:30 - 11:00 Networking break

11:00 – 11:45 A view from the C-suite: what has changed, what has not changed & what remains uncertain?

While the last 24 months have had an impact on the business development of convention centers, there are elements which have remained the same and some which remain uncertain. Three CEO's from different regions will share their views, allowing to obtain a global picture

Peter King | Chief Executive | Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre
Julianne Jammers | Managing Director | SwissTech Convention Center - EPFL
Alan Mark Pryor | General Manager | Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre

11:45 - 12:45 Destination marketing: what has changed, what has not changed & what remains uncertain?

Similar to convention centers, destinations had to re-think their marketing strategies. Or not? Find out during this session, where representatives from three destinations share their lessons learned and outlook for the future.

Alice Au | Sales Director | Destination Toronto
Adriaan Fourie | Business Development Manager | Cape Town & Western Cape Convention Bureau

12:45 - 13:45 Networking lunch

13:45 – 14:45 Sustainability – the next step

Six months after COP26, a lot of progress has been made by venues worldwide to commit to the pledge made to be carbon zero by 2050. Some convention centers are even far more ambitious, with plans to become carbon neutral by 2030. But what about the organizers? In this session, we will hear from Ben Wielgus, Chief Sustainability Officer at Informa, what their plans are to make their events sustainable and how they see the role of convention centers

Ben Wielgus | Head of Sustainability | Informa

14:45 - 16:45 Co-creating a new business development strategy

In this (hyper)interactive session, participants will co-create a business development strategy. Together with your colleagues – in small teams – you will leverage the information provided in the morning lectures and transform these datapoints into calls-for-action which you can take back to your teams.

Oscar Cerezales | Chief Strategy Officer | MCI

16:45 - 17:00 Summary & conclusion

17:00 - 18:30 Networking cocktail

