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**VR Trends In Tourism - Status Quo, Outlook & Opening Of The VR Lab**
Session in German only!
Speaker:
[Michael Faber](mailto:), Marketing-Consultant, Tourismuszukunft, Reisebüro Faber

13:00 - 13:45
**Holiday in the Matrix? How AR & VR are revolutionising travel.**
Session in German only!
Speaker:
[Thomas Hoger](mailto:), 3spin

14:00 - 14:45
**Online Instead Of Offline: Innovative Training Solutions Through Virtual Realities**
Session in German only!
Speaker:
[Yvonne Pauly](mailto:), Leiterin Hotelmanagement-Akademie, Gastronomisches Bildungszentrum Koblenz e.V.
15:00 - 15:45
The Future of Travel Media Consumption

- Why and how Virtual Reality will be the future of travel media consumption.
- The fundamental goals of travel media
- What does VR make better than any form of media in human history?
- Why VR will be the centre of digital media.

Speaker:
Josh Ellison, Co-founder, Jump To

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**ITB Virtual Reality Lab Day 2**

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Time Travel with Virtual Reality – Re-experience Urban History

- VR-based time travel as a new gateway to the past of cities and regions
- Historical venues and environments are digitalised and can be experienced emotionally by means of VR in combination with multi-sensory feedback elements
- TimeRide as the world’s first business case of a VR major attraction in the culture and leisure sector

Speaker:
Dr. Fabian Hedderich, COO, TimeRide

13:00 - 13:45
Virtual Reality Training For The Travel Market – Huge Step Forward In Fulfilling Digital Transformation

- How powerful e-learning technology motivates travel employees through learning and engagement.
- Showcasing 360 real-life scenarios and situations.
- Fulfilling sustainability goals in a cost-effective way

Speaker:
Daniel Wishnia, Chief Digital Transformation Officer, Aroundtown SA
14:00 - 14:45

Virtual Helsinki - Rethinking Destination Experience

- Rapidly Changing Customer Behavior as a Game Changer
- Virtual Reality in Sustainable Destination Management
- Key Elements of Virtual Reality – Elevated Experiences, Accessibility, Empathy and Equality

**Speaker:**

Vappu Mänty, Director, Communications and PR, Helsinki Marketing
Laura Olin, COO & Partner, ZOAN

16:00 - 16:45

Managing Overtourism with Next-Generation Guides

- Overtourism suffocates historical centers of popular European cities.
- The situation is getting worse every year as more people travel and most of them Google out the same top 10 places to visit. Mayors and DMOs are desperate and even consider restricting access.
- Fortunately, technology can help. Personalization based on big data analysis and AI recommends different top places to visit for every tourist based on their interests. Engaging content enriched by AR experiences makes places outside of the city center appealing for tourists to explore. Guiding tourists smartly can reduce overtourism by 30% while improving satisfaction.

**Speaker:**

Jan Dolezal, CEO, SmartGuide

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11:00 - 11:45
Unleashing the Full Potential of Digital Reality Experiences for Tourism Marketing

- How to empower tourism marketing with augmented reality experiences
- How to boost Social Media communications with augmented reality
- Latest augmented and mixed reality use cases in tourism marketing

**Speaker:**
Daniel Sack, CEO, 361/DRX

13:00 - 13:45
VR And AR For The Digitalization Of The Tourism Industry – An Opportunity For More Sustainability

Session in German only!

**Speaker:**
Elle Langer, pimento formate, Virtual Reality Berlin-Brandenburg e.V.