

GovTech.Pioneers rocks Vienna City Hall: introducing the hotspot for technological innovation in the public sector on April 2nd, 2019

Vienna, November 14th, 2018 – Now in its third year, GovTech.Pioneers will take place in Vienna City Hall for the first time. Key decision makers of the public sector and corporations, as well as leading politicians and investors will meet 70 selected startups on April 2nd, 2019.

The focus in 2019 will lie on the public sector in the 21st century, digital cities and spaces, regulatory sandboxes, GovTech and Blockchain, as well as cyber security and investment opportunities in GovTech startups.

Peter Hanke, Executive City Councillor of Finance, Business, Digital Innovation and International Affairs: "GovTechs are very important for Vienna on its way to becoming a digitization capitol. We're ready to open Vienna City Hall and discover the world of innovation to continue finding ideas, impulses and partners for the city of the future."

"The speed of technological innovation has increased rapidly in recent years. This does not exclude the public sector. Our goal is to create a modern framework with which digital innovation in business and administration can be promoted. GovTech.Pioneers, which will take place for the third time next year, is making an important contribution and is an important source of inspiration," says the Federal Minister for Digital and Economic Affairs, Margarete Schramböck.

We're pleased to welcome the first round of speakers:

- **Irakli Beridze**, Head of the Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Robotics at UNICRI (United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute)
- **Sari Ladin-Sienne**, Chief Data Officer of the City and County of Los Angeles
- **Katy McNeil**, Lead of the CivTech Intrapreneurship Programme of the Scottish Government
- **Neil Walsh**, Chief of Cybercrime at UNODC ((United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime)

"We're pleased that GovTech.Pioneers 2019 will be taking place for the third time – and this time in the Viennese City Hall," says Oliver Csendes, CEO of Pioneers. "The extent to which GovTech.Pioneers has established itself as a trailblazer in innovation and the latest developments of the public sector can be seen in the array of high-caliber speakers who have responded to our invitation and will be joining us in Vienna."



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