

# EIZ SPARK INSPIRE

Powering Energy Entrepreneurship



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05:00-07:00 PM



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## Keynote: Simon Dierks

**Head of Marketing & Climate Tech Facilitator at Carbon13**

Simon has been at home in the European start-up scene for more than ten years now. Starting in the niche of public funding for deep tech early-stage startups, he has caught fire for technological innovation and the development and scale-up of startups. Then he switched sides to a (European-funded) green tech startup that combines a nature-based solution with IoT to clean and cool air in cities. Since autumn 2022, Simon is Head of Marketing at Carbon13 and has now accompanied more than 500 climate tech founders in the Venture Builder programmes in Cambridge (UK) and Berlin.



## Keynote: Dr. Koustubh Dube

**Co-Founder and CTO of Climalyst**

Dr. Koustubh Dube is a chemist with a strong academic background in Inorganic and Polymer Chemistry. Following his doctoral studies at Rutgers University, Dr. Dube held postdoctoral positions at the New Jersey Center for Biomaterials and Helmholtz Zentrum Hereon. He also gained industry experience as a staff scientist at R&D facilities of two Fortune 500 companies, L'Oreal and Avery Dennison. Driven by a desire to address climate change, Dr. Dube co-founded Climalyst, a startup focused on reducing the energy requirements for carbon capture.

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# EVENT SCHEDULE

16:30

**Registration and Welcoming**

17:05

**Introduction and Agenda**

Hamdy Abdelaty

17:10

**EIZ Spark**

Jakob Pohlisch

17:10

**From Science to Market**

**Innovation Ecosystem Support**

Simon Dierks

18:00

**From PhD to CTO**

**Entrepreneurship Journey**

Koustubh Dude

18:30

**Q & A**

18:30

**Networking**

Drinks & Pretzels

## Event Organisation

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