

Leaders and Experts from Microsoft, AWS, Google, Fervo, AIQ and Commonwealth Fusion Headline Innovation and Technology Programming at CERAWeek by S&P Global

Week-long programming on technology, innovation and decarbonization—centered in the "CERAWeek Innovation Agora"—will be a major focus at the world's preeminent energy conference, to be held in Houston March 10-14

HOUSTON, March 6, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- Leaders from Microsoft, Amazon Web Services (AWS), Google, Fervo, AIQ, and Commonwealth Fusion, will be among the technology and innovation speakers at [CERAWeek by S&P Global](#)—the world's preeminent energy conference—to be held in Houston March 10-14.

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[CERAWeek 2025: Moving Ahead: Energy strategies for a complex world](#) will examine an era of multifaceted change—in policy, technology and geopolitics—that is reshaping the global energy landscape.

The [CERAWeek Innovation Agora](#) will serve as the center of technology and innovation programming at the conference. Featuring a community of technologists, startup entrepreneurs, venture capitalists and investors, thought leaders, policymakers and corporate innovators, the Innovation Agora will showcase transformational technology platforms in energy and adjacent industries—including presentations from more than 250 start-ups—ranging across AI, decarbonization, low carbon fuels, cybersecurity, hydrogen, nuclear, mining and minerals, mobility, automation, and more.

The CERAWeek Innovation Agora program is available to all CERAWeek registrants and will comprise a series of [thought-provoking conversations, presentations and discussions](#), including its signature [Voices of Innovation](#) series of intimate, one-on-one conversations with thought leaders, [Agora Studio](#) sessions featuring moderated dialogues with 2-3 guest speakers on emerging and disruptive technologies, as well [Agora Pods](#) featuring demonstrations and case studies. The 2025 program will also feature [Agora Hubs](#)—dedicated areas focused on carbon, climate and new energies.

The 2025 CERAWeek Innovation Agora program will also include:

- **Energy Venture Day and Pitch Competition:**
Hosted by The Rice Alliance for Technology and Entrepreneurship, the Houston Energy Transition Initiative (HETI) and TEX-E, the competition will feature 40 energy ventures that are focused on driving efficiency and advancements towards the energy transition. Presentations will be evaluated by a special judging panel of energy industry experts and investors.
- **NexGen at CERAWeek Program (NEW for 2025):**
New for 2025, the NexGen programming track will focus on the critical link between academia and industry and how to create dynamic environments that cultivate top talent, uncover fresh ideas, and unlock newfound energy transition pathways. NextGen accelerates these connections through engaging programming, targeted networking events and collaborative discussions that inspire and spark the next generation of talent, ideas and alliances.

- **The Nexus (NEW for 2025):**

A new collaborative and interactive destination, the Nexus introduces NextGen programming to CERAWeek audiences—showcasing both the latest and next generation research and development in energy as well as the next generation of talent to enter the industry. The Nexus is also the centerpiece for Agora Studio and Voices of Innovation sessions, as well as many other interactive experiences to help foster dynamic exchanges on emerging and disruptive technologies with industry leaders, academics and ecosystem participants.

The 2025 program will also feature the "Clean Energy Commons" fostering connections for the innovation ecosystem as well as the "Clean Tech Corridor" where delegates can meet entrepreneurs building promising companies.

[Key themes](#) to be explored throughout the Innovation Agora program include:

- AI and Digital
- Power, Grid and Electrification
- Hydrogen and Low-carbon Fuels
- Climate and Sustainability
- Technology and Innovation
- Managing Emissions
- The Capital Transition
- Mobility and Transportation

"The CERAWeek Innovation Agora embodies the dynamic energy innovation ecosystem that is unlocking new technologies and charting new pathways to the future," said Jamey Rosenfield, CERAWeek Founder and Co-chair. "This unique community—comprised of traditional energy companies, start-ups, technology companies, innovation thought leaders and investors—reflects the resourcefulness and ingenuity that is being applied to both the challenges and opportunities of the energy future."

"Technology and innovation have marked the history of energy—and they most certainly will shape its future," said Daniel Yergin, Vice Chairman, S&P Global and CERAWeek conference chair. "This year's conference theme, 'Moving Ahead' focuses on an era of multifaceted change. New technologies that carry the potential to transform how energy is produced, managed and consumed will also be a major source of energy demand themselves. Meeting the moment will not only require next-generation ideas, but also the ability to scale those ideas and ensure the robust supply chains needed to sustain them. The central role that innovation plays in the energy ecosystem will be on full display at CERAWeek."

Among the technology and innovation leaders to address CERAWeek delegates are:*(partial list)*

- Marco Alverà, Co-founder and CEO, TES
- Roeland Baan, President & Chief Executive Officer, Topsoe
- Dr. Sama Bilbao y Leon, Director General, World Nuclear Association
- Lord John Browne of Madingley, Chairman, Beyond Net Zero
- Aura Cuellar, President, LanzaTech
- Jen Easterly, President and Chief Executive Officer, Evenstar Cyber, LLC
- Meg Gentle, Executive Director of the Board, HIF Global
- Tim Latimer, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Fervo Energy
- Ernest Moniz, Founder and CEO, Energy Futures Initiative, former U.S. Secretary of Energy
- Bob Mumgaard, Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer, Commonwealth Fusion Systems
- Sunita Narain, Director General, Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)
- Emily Olson, Chief Sustainability & Corporate Affairs Officer, Vale Base Metals
- Maria Pope, President and CEO, Portland General Electric
- Ruth Porat, President & Chief Investment Officer, Alphabet and Google
- Sushil Purohit, Chief Executive Officer, Gentari Sdn Bhd
- Uwem Ukpog, Vice President of Global Services, Amazon Web Services
- Jason Zander, Executive Vice President, Microsoft

Visit www.ceraweek.com for a complete list of speakers and the most up-to-date program information (subject to change).

Registration Information

CERAWeek by S&P Global 2025 will be held March 10-14 at the Hilton Americas—Houston. Further information and delegate registration is available at www.ceraweek.com.

Media Accreditation

Media registration is now open. Members of the media interested in covering CERAWeek 2025 are required to apply for

accreditation.

Applications are subject to approval and can be submitted at the following link:

<https://reg.spglobal.com/flow/spglobal/cw25/mediareg/login>

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