

THE
AUTONOMOUS
MAIN EVENT 2026



Building Trust for Autonomy to Scale

Hofburg, Vienna & Virtually | September 23-24, 2026

Key Themes for 2026

- | Scaling autonomy through trust and shared responsibility
- | Secure, scalable Edge AI frameworks for autonomy
- | From cars to robots: shared autonomy foundations
- | Scaling autonomous machines in off-highway environments
- | Humanoids and the future of physical AI
- | Regulating trust: from testbeds to large-scale deployment

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First Confirmed Speakers:



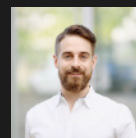
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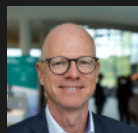
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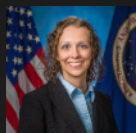
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Peter Schaefer
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Infineon



Julia Badger
Moon Base's Surface
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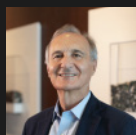
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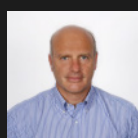
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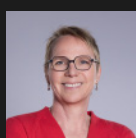
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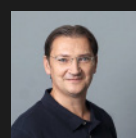
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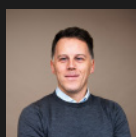
Johann Jungwirth
Executive Vice President,
Autonomous Vehicles

Mobileye



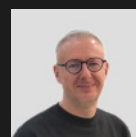
Gilles Mabire
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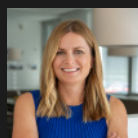
Simone Fabris
VP Product & Delivery

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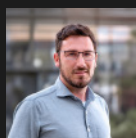
Riccardo Mariani
VP of Industry Safety

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Christina Strohrmann
Head of AI Research

Bosch



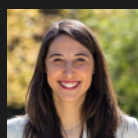
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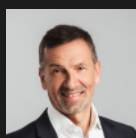
Georg Kopetz
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Sophia Kircher
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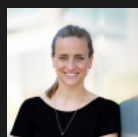
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VP System Incubation & CTO

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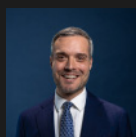
Peng Xu
VP Horizon Robotics,
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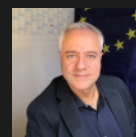
Gesa Gräf
Government Affairs Manager
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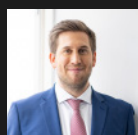
Frederic Geber
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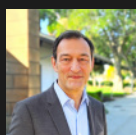
Franco Accordini
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European Commission



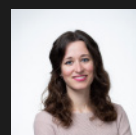
Alexander Pröll
State Secretary

Republic of Austria



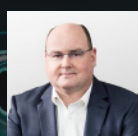
Alexandre Corjon
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Jan Moritz Joseph
Co-Founder & CEO

Roofline AI

Agenda

Program Day 1

Wednesday, September 23, 2026

Workshops

Day 1 of the event will once again be fully dedicated to workshops.

This format offers an in-depth dive into technical topics through thorough discussions and interactive formats. Led by experts, they provide excellent networking opportunities for 30 to 40 participants, with each session lasting 1.5 hours.

12:45	Doors Open - Welcome Coffee
13:30 - 15:00	Workshop I Safety Autonomous Driving: Requirements and Architecture Hosted by  THE AUTONOMOUS Working Group Safety & Architecture
	Workshop II One System, Many Decompositions: Mapping Scope, Actor and Evidence Across Regulatory Regimes Hosted by  .msg P L A U T
15:00	Break
16:00 - 17:30	Workshop III Shifting to AI-Defined Mobility & Robotics Hosted by  infineon
	Workshop IV From Pilot to Practice: Accelerating the Industrial Deployment of Autonomous Systems in Europe Building trusted test environments and regulatory sandboxes for scalable autonomy Hosted by  AIT AUSTRIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Program Day 2

Thursday, September 24, 2026

Main Stage

Day 2 will be fully dedicated to Main Stage content, unveiling insightful C-level keynotes and engaging panel discussions.

8:00-9:00	Networking & Coffee
9:10-9:30	Welcome Address: with the founding members of The Autonomous Organization Ricky Hudi, <i>Chairman - The Autonomous</i> Georg Kopetz, <i>CEO - TTTECH</i> Peter Schaefer, <i>Executive Vice President and CSO Automotive - Infineon</i> Lars Reger, <i>CTO - NXP</i>
9:30-9:50	Opening Fireside Chat - Building Trust for Autonomy to Scale Georg Kopetz, <i>CEO - TTTECH</i> Young Sohn, <i>Founding Managing Partner - Walden Catalyst Ventures</i> Alexander Pröll, <i>State Secretary - Republic of Austria</i> Sophia Kircher, <i>Member of the European Parliament</i>
9:50-10:35	Panel Automotive and robotics trust foundations (Hosted by Infineon & NXP) Moderator: Jennifer Sarah Boone, <i>Event host and moderator</i> Lars Reger, <i>CTO - NXP</i> Peter Schaefer, <i>EVP & CSO Automotive - Infineon</i> Mathias Pillin, <i>CTO - Bosch</i> Arne Nordmann, <i>VP Technology & Innovation - NEURA Robotics</i> Riccardo Mariani, <i>VP of Industry Safety - NVIDIA</i>
10:35-10:55	Keynote From Technology to Mobility: Mobileye's AV Vision Johann Jungwirth, <i>Executive Vice President, Autonomous Vehicles - Mobileye</i>
10:55-11:25	Morning Break
11:25-12:10	Panel Framework for Edge AI (Hosted by TrustMotion) Moderator: Stefan Poledna, <i>VP System Incubation & CTO - TrustMotion</i> - Christina Strohrmann, <i>Head of AI Research - Bosch</i> - Peng Xu, <i>VP Horizon Robotics, GM Automotive Europe - Horizon Robotics</i> - Gilles Mabire, <i>CTO (Valeo Brain division) - Valeo</i> - Alexandre Corjon, <i>SVP of Engineering - Sonatus</i> - Simone Fabris, <i>VP Product and Delivery - Wayve</i>
12:10-12:30	Keynote How Autonomous Robots Earn Their Place Péter Fankhauser, <i>Co-founder & CEO - ANYbotics</i>

12:30-13:00 Fireside Chat *(Hosted by PSWP)*

Regulating Trust – How Autonomous Systems Move From Testbed to Scale.

Moderator: Frederic Geber, *Partner - PSWP*

- Gesa Gräf, *Government Affairs Manager - DACH - Starship Technologies*
- Franco Accordino, *Head of Unit "Intelligent Connected Mobility, Energy and Internet of Things" - European Commission*
- Maria Alonso, *Autonomous Systems Lead - World Economic Forum*

13:00-14:30 Networking & Lunch

14:30-14:50 Keynote

The Future of Physical AI is Built on Chips

Philipp von Schierstaedt,

Chief Sales Officer Consumer, Compute & Connectivity - Infineon

14:50-15:35 Panel

Off-Highway Market *(Hosted by TTControl)*

Georg Stöger, *Senior Principal Technology Specialist - TTTech Labs*

- Enrico Salvatori, *SVP & President Qualcomm Europe - Qualcomm*
- Ingo Stürmer, *CTO - Volvo Autonomous Solutions*
- Thomas Biringer, *CTO - Rosenbauer*
- Matthias Benz, *CEO - Zeppelin*

15:35-15:45 Disruptors' track

Roofline

15:45 -16:05 Keynote

Julia Badger, *Moon Base's Surface Mobility Deputy Lead - NASA*

16:05-16:25 Keynote

Verify, Don't Trust: How Europe Wins the Autonomy Race It Thinks It Has Lost

André Loesekrug-Pietri, *Chairman & Scientific Director - Joint European Disruptive Initiative (JEDI)*

16:25-17:05 Afternoon Break

17:05-17:25 Keynote

Your 100 AI Pilots Are Not a Strategy: Are You Ready for Multi-Agent Orchestration?

Dorothee Andermann, *Head of Technical Account Management - Google*

17:25-17:40 The Autonomous Update

Working Groups update

- 1 Working Group "Safety and Architecture": TrustMotion hosted
- 2 Working Group "Safety of Embedded AI": Infineon hosted

17:40 - 17:55 Extreme Tech Challenge

Young Sohn, *Founding Managing Partner - Walden Catalyst Ventures*

17:55-18:00 Closing Remarks



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Impressions



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Full Onsite Pass
(Day 1 + Day 2)

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