

# **WBAF Annual Congress 2018: Less than a month until the world's BIGGEST gathering of early stage equity and investment markets!**

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The days are counting down to the WORLD BUSINESS ANGELS INVESTMENT FORUM ANNUAL CONGRESS (<http://www.wbaf2018.istanbul/>) which will be taking place on 18-20 February 2018 in Istanbul.

Drawing together hundreds of the world's top business leaders, WBAF 2018 shape the global agenda of the world early and post-early stage equity markets in the year ahead. For the first time ever, The World Business Angel Investors Forum Annual Congress 2018, the world's biggest annual gathering of early stage equity and investment markets, will have 5 important summits running concurrently and will host more than 1000 delegates from around the world.

The WBAF Annual Conference 2018 will focus on angel investors partnering with family offices and wealth management institutions. Start-ups, scale-ups and angel investors will be able to connect at the TAKE INVEST SUMMIT. The CEO-PRENEURSHIP SUMMIT will focus on transforming CEOs into angel investors, while the FINTECH SUMMIT will deal with issues of financial inclusion and ways to democratise access to finance. And don't miss the opportunity to generate innovative ideas to mobilise private and public capital for the social good at the IMPACT INVESTMENT SUMMIT. WBAF will also salute the global successes of the year at the World Excellence Awards & VIP Gala Dinner at the Swissotel The Bosphorus Istanbul.

Speakers at the WBAF Annual Conference include Harry Tomi Davis, Inderjit Singh, Peter Jungen, Carsten Borring, Paul Doany, Candace Johnson, Kenan çolpan and Varol Civil. The head of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization, Dr. Hashim S.Hussein, with 22 years of experience in the fields of Industrial Development and Investment and Technology Promotion, alongside Baybars Altuntas, the Chairman of the World Business Angels Investment Forum (WBAF).

There is also an impressive list of global leaders and industry experts speaking at the TAKE INVEST SUMMIT, the CEO-PRENEURSHIP SUMMIT, the FINTECH SUMMIT and the IMPACT INVESTMENT SUMMIT, all of which can be found at the event website - <http://www.wbaf2018.istanbul/>

Speaking ahead of the event, WBAF Chairman Baybars Altuntas comments:

"Building on the success of the 2017 World Business Angels Investment Forum (WBAF), this year's forum will focus on the theme 'Unlocking the Potential for Innovation: Angel Investors Partnering with Family Offices and Wealth Management Institutions.'

The discussions will explore how family offices and wealth management institutions can foster open innovation and deliver more business value through partnerships with angel investors, start-ups, scale-ups, high-growth businesses and SMEs.

"By working together across borders, with a common vision, and with these smart dynamics in mind, we are well placed to create positive change in the global economy."

TICKETS: Prices range from €250-€500 with a range of add-ons including Hotel Bookings, Spouse Bookings and VIP Gala Dinner/VIP Lunches.

More information at <http://www.wbaf2018.istanbul/buy-ticket/>

EVENT AND SPEAKER DETAILS: Further details on the event, including the event agenda, speakers and proposed topics can all be found at <http://www.wbaf2018.istanbul/>

PRESS ATTENDANCE: A limited number of fully-funded press passes are available. If you are interested in attending the event and require a press pass, please contact the WBAF 2018 Press Team on +44(0)1603 743 363 or email [elizma@mediajems.co.uk](mailto:elizma@mediajems.co.uk) for further details and to confirm your place.