Blue Venture Investment Summit



Ocean Gateway
14 Ocean Gateway Pier
Portland, ME
Thursday, November 9, 2023
8:30AM-6:30PM



8:00AM-8:30AM Registration

8:30AM-8:40AM Welcome and Introductions

Tobias Stapleton, Director, Blue Venture Forum

Blaine Grimes, Gulf of Maine Research Institute (GMRI)

9:00AM-10:00AM Blue Technology Investing Today

Moderator: Hope Hopkins, MITRE

Panelists:

• Justin Manley, OceanKind

• Jake Reznick, S2G Ventures

• Tim Agnew, Bold Ocean Ventures

10:00AM-10:30AM Networking Break

10:30AM-11:30AM Raising an Investment Round in Today's Environment

Moderator: Luke Holden, Luke's Lobster

Panelists:

• Sara Rademaker, American Unagi

Mitch Lench, Ocean's Balance

• Chip Terry, Blue Trace

• Erik Heim, Katahdin Salmon

11:30AM-12:15PM Flashtalks: Global Innovators and Entrepreneurs

- Littoral Power Systems
- Salmonics
- LeVanta Tech
- Phytosmart
- Ocean Farmr
- Shred Electric
- Oneka Technologies
- Salient Predictions

12:15PM-1:00PM Lunch

1:00PM-2:00PM Maine, A Case Study in Supporting and Growing a Blue Economy Ecosystem

Moderator: Blaine Grimes, Gulf of Maine Ventures

Panelists:

- Nina Scheepers, Maine Venture Fund
- Chandler Jones, CEI Ventures
- Patrick Arnold, New England Ocean Cluster
- Jeff Frank, Island Institute

2:00PM-3:00PM Flashtalks: Global Innovators and Entrepreneurs

- Jaia Robotics
- Axine Water Technologies
- Finsulate
- Acel Power
- Ashored
- Aloft
- Glas Ocean Electric
- Seachange Group, LLC

3:00PM-3:30PM Networking Break

3:30PM-4:15PM Seaweed Panel

Moderator: Damian Brady, UMaine

Panelists:

- Bri Warner, Atlantic Sea Farms
- Colin Hepburn, Everything Seaweed
- Struan Coleman, WWF Impact

4:15PM-5:00PM The Future of Investing in the Blue Economy

Moderator: Toby Stapleton, Blue Venture Forum

Panelists:

- Julie Niedzwiecki, Great Mountain Partners (GMP)
- Steven Fox, Propeller
- Ted Janulis, Investible Oceans
- Brady Bohrmann, Bold Ocean Ventures

5:00PM-6:30PM Closing Reception