

## EPIC Entrepreneurship – Startup – Venture Forum

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To connect photonics industry executives, investors and startups to discuss entrepreneurship and funding best practices, and generate investment opportunities for investors and photonics companies with open funding rounds.



### Features

- 7 Networking Breaks
- 20 Pitches
- 20 Investors
- 35 Executives
- 4 Keynote Speakers
- 1 Panel Discussion



▶▶ *In spite of unusual investment requirements like high capital expenditure and longer return periods, investments in photonics have shown us, on average, 3-4 times the return of a typical venture capital investment with a standard 8-10 year return period."*

*Ray Quintana, General Partner, Cottonwood Technology Fund*

▶▶ *EPIC's mission has always been to maximise the business development opportunities of its members through networking, information and partnering. Our Venture and Finance activities take this a step further through a series of focused activities aimed at attracting investors to photonics, promoting trade investment among members, fostering SME development and cooperating with the public funding sector on the continuous improvement of financing conditions for photonics entrepreneurs."*



*Anna Feis, Photonics Investment Advisor, EPIC*

## Date & Venue

Start: 12:00 on Wednesday 4 October 2017

End: 14:00 on Thursday 5 October 2017

Location: Berlin, Germany

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## Registration

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Participation Fee: €250, VAT excl. Free for pitching companies

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▶▶ *EPIC's membership is mainly composed of small and young innovative companies, access to finance is crucial for scaling up their businesses and I am glad to be part of this initiative for taking concrete action to truly help."*

*Kurt Weingarten, Managing Director of Lumentum Switzerland,  
Founder of Time-Bandwidth Products, Member of the EPIC Board of Directors*