

European Future Technology Summit

**THE RESILIENCE CODE:
From Vulnerability to Resilience - How
Technology Can Promote Security and Defense
in Europe**

2.- 4. September 2026, Brussels

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2:15 - 2:30 pm

European Commission - Arrival at Charlemagne (CHAR) for Security Check

Charlemagne, Rue de la Loi 170, 1040 Brussels

2:30 - 3:30 pm

Shaping Europe's Future - The European Commission at Work with Ms Agnieszka Wieczor

Directorate-General of European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (ECHO)

4:30 - 6:00 pm

European Parliament - Meeting with MEP Hildegard Bentele

Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and Member of Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

7:30 pm

Dinner & Networking at BBP Bailli - Brussels Beer Project

Rue du Bailli 1/A, 1000 Brussels

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**Silversquare Bailli, Avenue Louise 231, 1050
Brussels**

10:00 - 11:00 am

From War in Ukraine to Hybrid Threats: What Europe Must Learn to Strengthen Its Security

Lieutenant General Wolfgang Wien, German Military Representative to the NATO and EU Military Committee

11:15 - 12:15 pm

New Defense - Improving Europe's Security Through Innovation

Dr. Marc Bovenschulte, VDI/VDE IT

12:15 - 1:00 pm

Lunch

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Distribution Grid Blackouts: Causes, Perpetrators, Recovery, and Civil-Military Coordination

Stefan Schonauer, Hamburger Energienetze (Hamburger Energy Grids)

2:15 - 3:15 pm

How can the Integration of Sensing Functionality into Mobile Communications contribute to a resilient Society?

Prof. Dr.-Ing habil. Reiner Thomä, TU Ilmenau

VDE Summer Reception

as part of the EUREL European Future Technology Summit

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North Rhine-Westphalia Representation to the EU,
Rue Montoyer 47, 1000 Brussels

Start Admission and Registration at 6:00 pm

Moderation and Opening by Markus B. Jaeger
Global Head of Political Affairs, VDE

6:30 - 6:35 pm

Welcoming

Rainer Steffens, Director of the Representation of North Rhine-Westphalia to the European Union

6:35 - 6:55 pm

The Resilience Code - From Safety to Resilience. From Vulnerability to Resilience.

Ansgar Hinz, CEO Technology Organisation VDE

6:55- 7:10 pm

Defense Ready 2030 - Europe's Path to Credible Deterrence

Micha Cornick, Cabinet Expert of EU-Commissioner Andrius Kubilius for Defense and Space

7:10- 7:20 pm

Interview with Halyna Rospopa, Journalist & Communication Director, PJSC Lvivoblenergo and Markus B. Jaeger, Global Head of Political Affairs VDE

7:20 - 7:40 pm

Resilience Starts Locally: Lessons from Ukraine on Decentralised Power for Europe's Energy Security

Frank Grewe, CTO 2G Energy AG

7:40- 10:00 pm

Social Event VDE Summer Reception & Award Ceremony followed by Dinner

Award Ceremony of TOPSIM International Management Cup and EUREL PhD Best Paper Award

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Enabling Resilience through Smart Decentralized Energy Solutions

Stefan Liesner, Managing Director, SL Natureenergie GmbH

11:00 - 12:00 pm

Energy Facilities and Supply Chains as Primary Military Targets: The Case of Ukraine

Kristina Rimkunaite, Subject Matter Expert, NATO ENSEC COE

12:00 - 12:45 pm

Lunch

12:45 - 2:00 pm

Communication as a Resilience Layer: How Ukrainian Energy Companies Keep People Informed During Wartime Power Disruptions

Marian Shvets, Director, A-Solutions Development LLC & Halyna Rospopa, Communication Director, PJSC Lvivoblenergo

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