

PROGRAMME

RESILIENCE EXPO 2026



9:00 AM
Registration

10:00 AM
Welcome

Host: Irene Seemann, REBEL Deutschland GmbH

10:05 AM
Welcome address and opening

Oliver Krischer, Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Transport of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW)

10:15 AM
International keynote
Climate risks and adaptation in Minnesota*

Katrina Kessler, Commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

10:25 AM
Welcome message from the European Commission
Climate adaption in Europe*

Wopke Hoekstra, European Commissioner for Climate, Net Zero and Clean Growth

10:30 AM
Discussion
How do we ensure climate resilience in public investment?*

Oliver Krischer, Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Transport of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW)

Katrina Kessler, Commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Bodo Middeldorf, Managing Director of Zukunftsagentur Rheinisches Revier

Christine Siedenburg, Head of Sustainability Hochtief PPP Solutions

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11:00 AM

International research: Public-private cooperation in financing adaptation measures

Simone Sandholz, Head of FAST Division, United Nations University EHS

11:15 AM

Dialogue Investing in climate adaptation: Gap or opportunity?

Julian Hofmann, CEO & Co-Founder, FloodWaive Predictive Intelligence GmbH

Felix Kaiser, Managing director, resist.vc

11:30 AM

Exhibition opening and visit

12:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Themed tours of the exhibition

Approx. 30 minutes per tour. You can book in advance online or on the day of the event at the venue.

1:30 PM – 2:45 PM

Breakout slot I

Session 1

Climate adaptation as a driver of regional transformation

Host: Ulrich Eimer, CLIMATICON GmbH

State Secretary Viktor Haase, Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Transport of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW)

Ruth Hausmann, Zukunftsagentur Rheinisches Revier

Nora Scholpp-Roux, Zukunftsinitiative Klima.Werk (EGLV)

Session 2*

NKU: „Public-private cooperation and innovation in climate adaptation”

Host: Irene Seemann, REBEL Deutschland GmbH

Denise Engel, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

Stefan Nijwening, Waterschap Vechtstromen

Lukas Sander, Netzwerk Klimaanpassung & Unternehmen.NRW

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3:00 PM – 4:15 PM

Breakout slot II

Session 3

Climate risk & insurability: What data do companies need

Host: Myrna Sandhövel, Prognos AG

Christina Eickers, RWE AG

Elisa Seith, Jupiter Intelligence

Matthias von Harten, Zurich Resilience Solutions Europe

Session 4

Climate adaptation solutions: from idea to financing

Host: Laura Röntgen, REBEL Deutschland GmbH

Chris Bochsler, Cando-Image und ecmt

Ute Günther, Business Angel Agentur Ruhr

Alexander Husenbeth, Breaby

5:00 PM

NKU Networking

Evening event, hosted by the NKU, open to all participants