9:00 AM  🍌 Registration & Breakfast

10.00 AM  🗣 Welcome
Cate Ambrose, President & Executive Director, LAVCA
Julie Ruvolo, Director of Venture Capital, LAVCA

10.10 AM  🎤 Opening Fireside Chat with Eric Hippeau
Eric Hippeau, Partner, Lerer Hippeau
Interviewed by Scott Voss, Managing Director, HarbourVest Partners

Lerer Hippeau is a New York blockbuster venture fund and investor in Birchbox, BuzzFeed, Casper, and Warby Parker. Eric Hippeau is a former Managing Partner at SoftBank Capital and CEO of The Huffington Post. He sits on the board of BuzzFeed and Marriott International.

10.40 AM  👩‍💻 Crypto Fever: Insights on the Local Market
Moderator: Julie Ruvolo, Director of Venture Capital, LAVCA
Travis Scher, Vice President, Investments, Digital Currency Group
Sebastian Serrano, Co-Founder & CEO, Ripio
Daniel Vogel, Co-Founder & CEO, Bitso

Travis Scher, an investor in Coinbase, Blochstack, and Brave, will join CEOs of Bitso (a Mexican bitcoin exchange with funding from Variv Capital, Digital Currency Group, Xochi Ventures, Bitcoin Capital, Blockchain Tech Limited, and Funders Club) and Ripio (an Argentine digital payments startup with funding from Medici Ventures, Huiyin Blockchain Venture, Digital Currency Group, Boost VC, Funders Club, and Draper V) to talk about the cutting edge of crypto coming out of Latin America.

11.10 AM  🛋 Break

11.40 AM  🎤 Impact & Returns are Not Mutually Exclusive
Roy Swan, Director, Mission Investments, The Ford Foundation
Maya Chorengel, Senior Partner, The Rise Fund
Interviewed by Chris Jurgens, Director, Impact Investing, Omidyar Network

The Ford Foundation’s Mission Investments will commit US$1b to mission-related investments over the next decade. Swan’s team also leads one of the nation’s largest portfolios of program-related investments, which Ford pioneered in the impact investing field. Maya Chorengel is a Senior Partner at TPG’s The Rise Fund, leading impact and financial services investments in Latin America. The Rise Fund has invested in Argentine coding school Digital House and edtech Grupo VI-DA. She also serves as Managing Director of impact fund Elevar Equity.

12.10 PM  🎤 The Face of Frontier Tech in Latin America
Moderator: Gideon Lichfield, Editor, MIT Technology Review
Susana Garcia Robles, VC Team Leader & MIF Gender Coordinator, FOMIN
Pia Mancini, Co-Founder, democracy.earth, DemocracyOS
Alberto Rodriguez-Navarro, Founder & CEO, Levita Magnetics

What is happening on the cutting edge of tech innovation in civic tech, healthtech, and other sectors? How are blockchain and AI technologies being applied to solve local problems with globally scalable solutions? A long-time veteran of the VC ecosystem in Latin America weighs in alongside two entrepreneurs driving frontier tech.

12.45 PM  🎤 Fireside Chat: Ilya Gelfenbeyn, Head of Google Assistant Investments, Google

Ilya Gelfenbeyn oversees investments for Google’s new program to provide capital and other resources to early-stage startups building AI, voice, developer tools and other applications in the Google Assistant ecosystem. Gelfenbeyn joins us for a futuristic conversation about the collision of consumer tech, AI, and voice recognition.

1.15 PM  🍽️ Luncheon
2.30 PM Breakout Groups

Data Privacy Update: What’s changing in Argentina, Brazil & Mexico?
Marcelo Lacerda, Head of Public Policy, Google Brazil

Fireside Chat with Raj Ganguly, Co-Founder, B Capital Group
Interviewed by Andy Tsao, Managing Director, Silicon Valley Bank

3.30 PM

Investing for Impact Outcomes
Johanna Posada, Co-Founder & Managing Director, Elevar Equity
Erik Wallsten, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, Adobe Capital

Angels/Seed/Accelerators Meetup
Ariel Arrieta, Founding Partner, NXTP Labs

M&A • In-Region Expansion
Joaquim Lima, Managing Director, Riverwood Capital
Alex Anton, Director of Strategy & Business Development, iFood

4.00 PM

Developing the Startup Ecosystem
Moderator: Julie Ruvolo, Director of Venture Capital, LAVCA
Alejandro Scannapieco, CFO, Globant
Sergio Rosengaas, Co-Founder & CEO, KIO Networks
Alexandre Villela, Managing Director, Qualcomm Ventures
Miguel Arias, Global Director, Telefonica Open Future

Major corporate players in Latin America discuss strategies to support the next phase of the region’s startup evolution, including projects to build, accelerate, fund, and acquire startups. Qualcomm Ventures, Telefonica Open Future, Globant, and KIO Networks are founding members of the Latin American Tech Growth Coalition, along with Google, Facebook, Riverwood Capital, and Movile.

4.30 PM Break

5.00 PM

The Battleground for the Last Mile
Moderator: Eric Acher, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, monashees
Federico Antoni, Founding Partner, ALLVP
Sebastian Mejia, Co-Founder & President, Rappi
Allie Morse, Director of Expansion, Postmates
Francisco Sordo, Head of UberEats Latin America

Eric Acher, an investor in 99, Rappi, Yellow, and Grin, moderates a discussion on the battleground for the last mile with Rappi (a Colombian delivery startup that raised a US$185m round of capital in 2017 from Delivery Hero, Sequoia Capital & Andreessen Horowitz). Federico Antoni, an investor in Cornershop (a Mexican delivery startup that was recently acquired by Walmart for US$225m). Allie Morse, who oversees global expansion for Postmates which chose Mexico as its first international market outside the US, and Francisco Sordo, who oversees UberEats for Latin America.

5.30 PM

Closing Fireside Chat with Hurst Lin, Co-Founder & General Partner, DCM
Interviewed by Hernan Kazah, Co-Founder & Managing Partner, KaszeK Ventures

Hernan Kazah of KaszeK Ventures interviews Hurst Lin, General Partner of DCM, about what’s happening on the cutting edge of emerging tech in China, when he thinks China will overtake the US as the epicenter of global VC financing, and what that is going to mean for Latin America. Lin co-founded DCM China in 2006 and is one of the most of active and influential VCs in Asia. He has been listed on the Forbes Midas List for the past five years in a row due to exits like Tuniu (IPO 2014), 58.com (IPO 2013) and Vipshop (IPO 2012), and is one of CBInsights’ Top Venture Capitalists for 2018.

6.00 PM Cocktail Reception & After Party
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