

**MODERATOR BIO:**

**Ben Costantini is the founder and CEO of Sesamers**, the event copilot for startups. With **15+ years organizing international conferences**, including work with **SXSW, LeWeb, VivaTech, and Brilliant Minds**, he's now building infrastructure to help early-stage companies turn events into predictable pipeline growth. **Sesamers** partners with leading exhibition organizers across Europe and has supported hundreds of startup activations. Ben also hosts the **Selected** podcast and organizes the **Sesame Summit in Biarritz**.

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## SPEAKER BIO

**Antonio Iannone is a leading voice in Italy's AgriFood-Tech ecosystem, blending entrepreneurship, digital strategy, and academia to drive innovation in food systems.**

Founder of **TheFoodCons** and **Co-Founder of Agrifood-Tech Italia Association**, he supports startups and SMEs with growth, fundraising, and strategic positioning, while shaping future innovators as Professor of AgriFood-Tech at ESCP Business School.

With deep agricultural roots and a background in food entrepreneurship, Antonio bridges tradition and technology to strengthen Italy's role in global food innovation.

A must-follow for startups, investors, and foodtech leaders.

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## **SPEAKER BIO**

**David is a Founding Partner at Maia Ventures, a leading agrifoodtech VC fund focused on seed and early-stage investments.**

Previously, he was a Partner at ZX Ventures, the corporate venture arm of AB InBev, where he invested across agrifoodtech companies at various stages of development.

He holds an MBA from MIT Sloan School of Management.

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## SPEAKER BIO

**Giulia Giovannini** is a **Partner at United Ventures**, where she focuses on **early-stage investments**. Her work spans investment strategy, portfolio development, and supporting startups as they scale—helping founders navigate key challenges from team building to go-to-market execution. She brings a strong operational mindset and a deep curiosity for technology, business models, and people. Giulia has played a key role in several of the firm’s investments across sectors, including cybersecurity, fintech, agtech, and AI.

Prior to joining United Ventures, she was part of the investment team at private equity firm **Sator**, where she was responsible for dealflow, portfolio monitoring, and the operational setup of Tinaba, the firm’s fintech venture.

She holds a degree in Economics and Social Sciences from Bocconi University and a Master’s in Corporate Finance from SDA Bocconi. Since 2018, she has been a member of the Aspen Fellows program.

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