



# GLOBAL INNOVATION COOP SUMMIT

Torres Vedras,  
Portugal  
October 27-28, 2025

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# What is Global Innovation Coop Summit?

The Global Innovation Coop Summit serves as a platform for cooperative leaders across all sectors to exchange ideas, gain knowledge, find inspiration, network, and collaborate to build a better world.

The Global Innovation Coop Summit is now a key initiative of the newly established solidarity cooperative, the **International Cooperative Innovation Network (INCI)**.



*"GICS welcomes everyone curious about the cooperative model—a resilient, innovative, and inclusive way to face today's global challenges."*



## PAST EVENTS

During the pandemic, GICS explored new trends in technological and social innovation aiming to prepare and inspire cooperative leaders to be more agile, creative and resilient.

**5,000**  
attendees

**90**  
countries

## Timeline

November 2020

During the first virtual edition the GICS discussed new trends in the areas of innovation, leadership, and technology.

April 2021

We showcased the unique ability of cooperatives to consistently adapt and innovate to meet their members changing needs.

September 2021

The Summit discussed leading concerns about the future of digital life. "Are we missing something?... Humans?"

November 2021

The last virtual event addressed the impact of globalization on our cooperative identity and how global solutions inspire leaders to solve regional problems.



# Paris 2022

The first hybrid event

In 2022, the Global Innovation Coop Summit provided a platform for cooperative leaders and friends to address post-pandemic challenges.

Over two days, speakers and panellists shared solutions and insights on how cooperatives adapted to workforce losses, supply chain disruptions, market pressures, and shifting customer expectations.

NEW TIMES

NEW CHALLENGES

THE TRANSITION ZONES



# Montreal 2023

The Global Innovation Coop Summit 2023 (GICS'23) was an in-person-only event where participants explored opportunities and forged partnerships to drive action toward a more circular and digital future through the cooperative model. The event featured interactive discussions focused on three main sub-themes.

**TOGETHER WE LEAD**

**LET'S GET CIRCULAR**

**LIVING DIGITAL**





**The 2025 Edition**

# Torres Vedras 2025 October 27-28

## FACING TIPPING POINTS THROUGH COOPERATIVE INNOVATION

As we celebrate the International Year of Cooperatives, let's come together to build a better world. By harnessing the power of cooperation, we can spark local solutions with global impact.

This event is our shared opportunity to drive meaningful change.

Together, we will explore three key themes:

**EMPOWERING PEOPLE TO ACT**

**BUILDING TRUST TOGETHER**

**CO-CREATING INCLUSIVE AND LASTING CHANGE**



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## Technical Information

Date:  
October 27-28, 2025

- **Place**  
Convention Center  
Rua da Liberdade, 3  
Torres Vedras | Portugal
- **Time**  
9 am to 5 pm
- **Expected number of participants**  
500 attendees
- **Format**  
In-person
- **Languages offered**  
English, French and Portuguese





## About The Agricultural Credit Union of Torres Vedras

The Agricultural Credit Union of Torres Vedras is a cooperative bank focused on regional economic and social development, strengthening agriculture and local communities. It promotes inclusive financial practices based on solidarity and member participation, while integrating digital tools to enhance financial services.

Committed to sustainability, it encourages modern agricultural practices and environmental preservation. The institution fosters economic, social, and environmental development, maintaining a forward-looking vision aligned with cooperative principles.

# Become an Institutional Partner

Our Summit partners are those who believe in the power of innovation and how it can transform our lives.

## Your Benefits

- Global Visibility
- Showcase your organization During the IYC
- Foster a positive reputation
- Build business relationships
- Expand your network of contacts
- Gain access to panel participation and other platforms to share your insights and showcase your expertise

## Your Role

- Promote the event to members and your network.
- Feature the Global Innovation Coop Summit logo and banner on your website.
- Add the event to your website's calendar.
- Share GICS social media posts on your platforms.
- Boost GICS visibility via newsletters, social media, and direct outreach, using provided promotional materials.



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## GICS will provide

- Promotional kit (banner, logo, website link, and social media content) for use on the institution's website.
- A GICS event slide for inclusion in institutional presentations.
- Featuring the sponsor's logo on GICS promotional materials..
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## GICS will entitlements

- One related post on GICS social media.
- One article in the event section of the ICIN newsletter, also published in GICS's "Let's Talk" section.
- One complimentary event ticket.

# The Founders

*“We believe in the cooperative business model and the best it has to offer: sharing of wealth and power, inclusion for all genders, an economy based on the well-being of humanity, which respects and preserves the environment”.*



**Jean Louis Bancel**

Treasurer at ICIN



**Stephane Bertrand**

CEO of ICIN and North America Business Strategy Advisor



**Luiz Branco**

Event and Technical Director and Latina America's Business Strategy Advisor



**Joanne Lechasseur**

Director of Programs, Scientific Activities, Coordinator of Communications, and ICIN General Secretary



**Christina Procopio**

Director of Communications, Sponsorship and Sales for GICS Event





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