

Program

April 1-2, 2026

21 Magazine Street
Charleston, South Carolina, USA

DAY1

SCIENCE & SEVERE WEATHER

9:00 AM Xweather opening keynote

Samuli Hänninen, Xweather

KEYNOTE

9:45 AM Fire weather innovation, venture, and government funding based on weather observations

Ian McCubbin, JPL, NASA

KEYNOTE

11:15 AM Measuring radiance factors with weather forecasts to power data centers

Samuel Morris, ERCOT

Fireside chat: Weather in autonomous driving and ADAS

Robert Chen, Waymo
Teppo Kuisma, Xweather

LUNCH BREAK & NETWORKING

1:00 PM TBA

Making weather data accessible and actionable in any market with MCPs

Brandon Clark, Xweather

2:00 PM TBA

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Jay Goldin, Nextpower

COFFEE BREAK

3:15 PM How to make weather decisions based on AI

The future of weather AI at NOAA

Monica Youngman, NOAA

KEYNOTE

4:00 PM Economic and environment AI

Making climate data investable, turning weather intelligence into ROI

Lucas Joppa, Haveli, Microsoft

KEYNOTE

COCKTAILS & NETWORKING

DAY2

SCIENCE & SEVERE WEATHER

9:00 AM AI-enabled command and control systems

Brandon Miller, AWS

KEYNOTE

9:45 AM Major weather events and historic preservation, bridging humanities and science

Brian Turner, Preservation Society of Charleston

TBA

11:15 AM Modern ML frameworks to advance lightning detection systems

Ryan Said, Xweather

TBA

LUNCH BREAK & NETWORKING

1:00 PM TBA

NOAA's end-to-end modeling vision for the next decade

Daryl Kleist, NOAA

TBA

2:00 PM What's next for Nvidia, weather and beyond

Raj Kumar, NVIDIA

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2:45 PM Closing words

Samuli Hänninen & Scott Mackaro, Xweather

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