## Welcome to Curious2022 – Future Insight<sup>™</sup> Conference

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Research transcends borders. It is international, works across disciplines and is a constant provider of new knowledge, enabling us to find answers to the questions of our time. But it is only in cooperation with business, government and civil society that scientific insights can really find their way into practical application. For this reason, it is particularly important to me and my Ministry that innovative research is combined with forward-looking knowledge transfer.

So my appeal to you is: Dare to be bold!

Those who want to set standards with new technologies and be successful on the global market must be quick to implement clever ideas, quick to make decisions and open to risk taking.

The Curious 2022 – Future Insight Conference supports the idea of knowledge and technology transfer. It provides a stage with a unique format for international cutting-edge research and promotes exchange with industry and technology decision-makers. It fosters the emergence of competitive business ideas, pointing the way to the future.

I am certain that it will do the same again this year. I wish you all a successful event. Thank you for the support you provide for social and technological innovations through your work, ideas and dedication.



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