



TOPHER WHITE

Innovator | Visionair | Award WEF Young Global Leader | Tedx Spreker | Wat kan het regenwoud redden? Jouw gebruikte mobiele telefoon. Via zijn startup Rainforest Connection transformeert Topher White gebruikte mobiele telefoons in bewakers van het regenwoud.

Categorie

Transitie & Transformatie, Technologie, Circulariteit, Business with a purpose, Energie, Klimaat & Milieu

Type

Visionair | Innovator, Keynote speaker

Inzetbaarheid

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Talen

Engels, Frans

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Biografie

Hoe ga je illegale ontbossing in het regenwoud tegen? In 2012 kwam Topher White met een innovatief antwoord op deze vraag: met oude smartphones. Topher White vertelt ons alles over zijn geniale, simpele idee dat uitmondde in Rainforest Connection (RFCx). 's Werelds meest vooraanstaande organisatie in milieubescherming en biodiversiteitmonitoring met geluid.

De missie van Topher Withe met het delen van zijn verhaal is: "Mensen inspireren, motiveren en in staat stellen oplossingen te vinden voor complexe milieuproblemen."

Biografie Topher White [Engels]

Topher White served as CEO of Rainforest Connection from its founding in 2013 until 2022, growing an idea into a far-flung company, operating in 26 countries. Today, he serves as Chair of Rainforest Connection and CEO of Squibbon.

Topher White is a Conservation Technologist and the Founder of enviro-tech startups Rainforest Connection and Squibbon. As an inventor, field engineer and social entrepreneur, he has been honored with such titles as World Economic Forum Young Global Leader, Rolex Laureate, National Geographic Explorer, Draper-Richards-Kaplan Fellow and an IEEE Engineering Hero.

Rainforest Connection (RFCx) is the world's foremost creator and deployer of acoustic technology for environmental protection and high-definition biodiversity monitoring. Squibbon, founded in 2022, employs the sounds of sub-urban biodiversity for consumer-facing and enterprise-facing applications, re-defining the concept of Nature-as-a-Service.

Educated primarily in Physics, software development and science communication, his latter career has been defined by rugged field engineering, environmental advocacy and bio-acoustic design. He received a degree in Physics at Kenyon College before going on to work for years at SLAC National Accelerator Lab (High Energy Physics) and the ITER Organization (Nuclear Fusion Power) in France.

Honors & Awards

- WEF Young Global Leader (Class of 2020 Selection)
- Rolex Awards for Enterprise (Assoc. Laureate, 2019)
- Ascent Leadership Fellow (2018)
- Pongo Environmental Prize (2016)
- DRK Draper Richards Kaplan Fellow (2016)

- National Geographic | Emerging Explorer (2015)
- Netexplo Innovation Award (2015)
- Malcolm Anderson Cup (2004)