

The Open Source conference Berlin Buzzwords announces keynote speakers Berlin Buzzwords will feature the open source advocates Diane Mueller-Klingspor, Community Lead at Red Hat , and Neha Narkhede, co-founder and CTO with Confluent.

**Berlin, February 16, 2016** – Berlin Buzzwords, Germany's leading open source conference on storing, processing and the searchability of large amounts of digital data announced their two keynote speakers for the annual conference. The keynotes of this year's event will be held by the open source advocates Diane Mueller-Klingspor, Community Lead at <u>Red Hat</u>, and Neha Narkhede, co-founder and CTO with <u>Confluent</u>. The 7th edition of Berlin Buzzwords takes place on June 05-07, 2016 at <u>Kulturbrauerei</u> in Berlin.

**Diane Mueller-Klingspor** is a long-time Pythonist and Open Source advocate. She currently works as a Community Lead at Red Hat on their Kubernetes-based container application platform, OpenShift Origin. She is the founder of GetMakered Labs, a mobile makerspace collaboration to inspire and encourage kids of all ages to connect with new technologies. **Neha Narkhede** is co-founder and CTO at Confluent. Previously, she was responsible for LinkedIn's petabyte scale streaming infrastructure supporting hundreds of billions of events per day. She is also one of the initial authors of Apache Kafka and serves as a PMC member and committer for the project.

The Call for Submissions ended last week. In total, over 130 Big Data abstracts have been submitted to the Call for Submissions. The conference program will be selected by a committee of 13 experts on Apache and Open Source Developing as well as software architects and engineers. All abstracts are anonymized to avoid unconscious bias. Members of the program committee neither see name, picture nor the biography of the applicant.

Project manager Daniela Bentrup is pleased to welcome Diane and Neha at this year's Berlin Buzzwords: "I'm very excited to have two amazing open source enthusiasts as keynote speakers on stage. Both are deeply involved in their projects and have an outstanding expertise in their fields. I'm convinced Diane and Neha have inspiring stories to tell. " Early Bird Tickets are on sale only until Sunday, February 21 for €525,-. Furthermore, we offer reduced tickets for €150,- for pupils, students, people on social welfare, retirees and people with disabilities. Ticket are available <u>here</u>.

## **About Berlin Buzzwords**

Die Berlin Buzzwords is organized by newthinking in cooperation with the Berlin Buzzword program comittee. The conference was founded by Isabel Drost-Fromm (Member of the Apache Software Foundation, PMC member Apache community development and co-founder of Apache Mahout), Jan Lehnardt (PMC member Apache CouchDB) and Simon Willnauer (PMC member Apache Lucene). The very first Berlin Buzzwords took place in 2010 and attracted more than 300 Big Data enthusiasts in the former "Filmtheater KOSMOS".

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