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- ⇒ **May 1, 7:30 to 10 am, Morton’s Steak House Coral Gables, [Byte-Size: Protecting your Business Against Cyber Attacks](#)**, free event but [registration required](#)
- ⇒ **May 1, 6 to 10:30 pm, SASC Auditorium #160, [StartUP FIU Pitch Day—Cohort 4](#)**, the event is free, but [registration is required](#)
- ⇒ **May 7, 9 am to 5 pm, Fairchild Botanical Garden, [FCE LTER Annual All Scientists Meeting](#)**
- ⇒ **May 8, 9 am to 5 pm, Fairchild Botanical Garden, [FCE LTER Annual All Scientists Meeting](#)**
- ⇒ **May 12, 9 am to 1 pm, MARC 3rd floor, [Cybersecurity: Blockchain and Emerging Technologies](#)**, [registration required](#)
- ⇒ **May 19, 9 am to 12:30 pm, GC Ballroom Lawn, [FIU Out of the Darkness Campus Walk](#)**
- ⇒ **May 25, 6 to 8 pm, Key Largo Murray E. Nelson Government & Cultural Center, [CCOR Ocean Life Seminar: Keeping Pace with Rising Seas: Saltwater Intrusion and Carbon Loss from Wetlands](#)**
- ⇒ **May 29, 12 to 1 pm, AHC4 #402, [lunch and Q&As on Skin, Aging and Mitochondria](#)**, presented by [Mark Birch-Machin](#)

StartUP FIU proudly invites you to its bi-annual **Pitch Day on May 1, 2018!** Please join us in witnessing this key milestone for our fourth Empower Accelerator cohort. The **Empower Accelerator Program** not only helps university faculty, staff and students, but also anyone from the community, to convert research and great ideas into scalable, viable businesses. By Pitch Day, our teams have vigorously completed the innovative 14-week Empower Accelerator program. Additionally, they participated in nearly 30 presentations and workshops, undertook critical mentoring and business advice and presented their required weekly deliverables in preparation for this pivotal day.

StartUP FIU is a university-wide initiative to foster and develop innovation and entrepreneurship that pursues opportunities in The Fourth Industrial Revolution. These opportunities include the development of breakthrough technologies, the pursuit of enterprises that close social or environmental gaps and the creation of companies that can create meaningful jobs of the future. One of its programs, the Empower Accelerator Program, is a 14-week accelerator program, consisting of a robust curriculum, critical mentoring and business advice, and weekly team deliverables. Each week of the program is based on a theme around which lectures and events are scheduled. Successful entrepreneurs from the Miami community provide mentorship to each team. Teams meet with their mentors on a weekly basis to discuss the strategies and skills needed to advance each team’s vision. Those who successfully complete the program are given the opportunity to pitch their startups to potential investors in week 14.



Commencement
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