QUEEN OF RAW

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Saving the world, one yard at a time: Stephanie Benedetto, CEO & Co-Founder of Queen of Raw, and Phil Derasmo, CTO & Co-Founder of Queen of Raw, are on a mission to solve the world's water crisis. One tee shirt takes 700 gallons of water to produce. Textile production is the second biggest polluter. With a family in the business for over 100 years, Benedetto saw the problem first hand and together they built the solution: a platform for businesses to recapture value from their wasted materials rather than burning them. Watch HERE.





Textile pioneers awarded top prize by Ashton Kutcher then raise a \$1.5M seed round:

Queen of Raw won the grand prize of \$360,000 at the WeWork Creator Awards and went on to present live at the Microsoft Theatre to Ashton Kutcher, Sean "Diddy" Combs, Gary Vaynerchuk, and Kirsten Green. Watch HERE. Queen of Raw then closed a \$1.5M priced seed round led by True Wealth Ventures with minority investor MIT Solve. Read HERE.

Using blockchain to rescue fashion's dead stock: Queen of Raw uses blockchain technology to provide transparency around wasted inventory and turn that pollution into profit by integrating with its global marketplace. Queen of Raw secures and verifies supply chain data to help companies save significant time and money. Blockchain is the new reality for wholesale and retail. Listen HERE.

Bringing \$120 billion worth of unused textiles back to life: If we do not make a change, by 2025, two-thirds of the entire world's population will face shortages of freshwater from textile production alone. Queen of Raw has already saved over one billion gallons of water while saving businesses millions of dollars with supply chain efficiency. An optimized supply chain is the solution for people, for planet, and for profit. Watch HERE.

Entrepreneurship in an age of Amazon: After finding market fit with its B2C marketplace, Queen of Raw saw an opportunity in the B2B space. It created a private portal to cater to large volume buyers and sellers and launched a partnership with SAP. And for Queen of Raw, fashion and textiles is just the beginning. Looking across industries and around the world, it has found the \$1 trillion thread to solve the world's water crisis. Read HERE & HERE.

Partners:













Company Profile:

URL: http://www.queenofraw.com Industry: SaaS Software, Supply Chain, Textiles, Blockchain, Machine Learning/Al, Marketplace Launched: Q3 2018

Awards:

Grand Prize WeWork Creator Awards Cartier Women's Initiative Laureate MIT Solve Global Challenge Winner LVMH Innovation Award NASA/NIKE/IKEA/DELL Innovator Finalist Google Women Who Tech Finalist The Elevate Prize thredUP Circular Fashion Fund Recipient

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