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IV International Economic Forum “FUTURE ECONOMY: Globalization Challenges faced by Europe and Baltics in the 21st century”

September 17, 2021

Venue: Latvian Academy of Sciences, Akadēmijas laukums 1, Riga, Latvia

The **aim** of the IV Economic Forum is to analyse reasons, consequences and challenges that Baltics and Europe has faced during globalization of 21st century and to discuss possible science-based and practical solutions in order to reach higher level of welfare in our respective countries. The successful practice of the I, II and III Economic Forum is continuing, that the Forum serves as a **platform for the exchange of experience and cooperation of scientists, entrepreneurs and politicians**, stimulating the entry of local and foreign investment and the development of an innovative national economy in the long term.

AGENDA September 17 (Friday)

09.00-10.00	Registration & Early Morning Coffee
10.00-10.40	Opening Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Musical Performance• Address of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Latvia Dr. Arturs Krišjānis Kariņš• Address of the Member of the European Parliament, Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs, prof., Dr. Inese Vaidere• Address of the Minister of Education and Sciences of the Republic of Latvia, <i>Mg. paed.</i> Anita Muižniece• Address of the President of the Latvian Academy of Sciences prof., Dr. Ivars Kalviņš• Address of the Deputy State Secretary for Economic Affairs of the Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia Mr. Raimonds Aleksejenko Host Moderator: Director of the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, assoc. prof., Dr. Nina Linde
10.40-10.50	Signing of cooperation memoranda for the development of science and innovative technologies in Latvia and the Baltic States <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Signing of a Memorandum of Cooperation between the Latvian Academy of Sciences, the Estonian Academy of Sciences and the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences (prof., Dr. Ivars Kalviņš, prof., Dr. Tarmo Soomere, prof., Dr. Jūras Banys)• Signing of a Cooperation Agreement between the Latvian Academy of Sciences and the Latvian Telecommunications Association (prof., Dr. Ivars Kalviņš, LTA President Pēteris Šmidre)
10.50-12.30	Plenary Session I <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Industry 4.0 - Are we Ready for Tomorrow's Challenges? (Speaker: prof., Dr. Juris Binde, President of the “Latvijas Mobilais Telefons”, Vice-President of the Latvian Association of Information and Communication Technologies, Latvia)• Impact of COVID on International Business, Pharma & Healthcare Industry: Medicines, Vaccines for Human Well-being and Investment Opportunities (Speaker: Dr. Kannan Vishwanath, Entrepreneur, International Trade Specialist in Pharmaceuticals, Chemical Engineer, Corporate Research Scientist, India)• Latvian and the Baltic States Development Opportunities and Threats in the 21st Century (Speaker: Dr.oec. Jānis Vanags, professor at the Riga Technical University, lead researcher at the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, Latvia)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Science Advice as the Pillar of Future Economic Development (Speaker: prof., <i>Dr. Tarmo Soomere</i>, President of the Estonian Academy of Sciences, Estonia) • New Technologies Impact to Economy – Case of Lithuania (Speaker: prof., <i>Dr. Jūras Banys</i>, President of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, Lithuania) • C19: Crisis Management Analysis (Speaker: <i>Dr. Aigars Rostovskis</i>, President of the Latvian Chamber of Commerce and Industry)
12.30-13.30	Lunch Break, B2B ¹ , B2S ² and S2S ³ meetings
13.30-15.00	Plenary Session II <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connectivity between Central Asia, Baltics and the EU: a View from Uzbekistan (Speaker: H.E. Kadambay Sultanov, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Uzbekistan to the Baltic States and Finland, Uzbekistan) • Astana International Financial Centre - Ambassador of Innovative Approaches (Speaker: prof., <i>Dr. Abdraim Bakytzhan</i>, Academician of the National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Kazakhstan) • Manufacturing and Innovation in North Europe (Speaker: <i>Dr. Björn Fagerström</i>, Head of Division Research, Collaboration, and Innovation at Lund University, Sweden) • Plenary Discussion: Vision, assessment and proposals of entrepreneurs, scientists and politicians for future economy (Q&A: Speakers of the Plenary Session are participating) Moderator: entrepreneur Gerald Hoppstaedter, Latvia/Austria • Insight of Sessions Moderators into the Work of parallel Sessions (Speakers: prof., <i>Dr. habil. oec. Baiba Rivža</i>, Academician of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, the Head of the State Research Program's project INTERFRAME-LV; prof., <i>Dr. oec. Jelena Titko</i>, Researcher at the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences; assoc. prof., <i>Dr. Nina Linde</i>, Director of the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences)
15.00-15.30	Coffee Break, B2B, B2S and S2S meetings
15.30-17.30	Work in parallel sessions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Challenges of Latvian State and Society and its Solutions in the International Context – INTERFRAME-LV (moderators: prof., <i>Dr. habil. oec. Baiba Rivža</i>, Academician of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, the Head of the state research program's project INTERFRAME-LV; assoc. prof., <i>Dr. oec. Tatyana Boikova</i>, Researcher at the Institute of Economics of Latvian Academy of Sciences) 2. Circular Economy and Social Entrepreneurship (moderators: prof., <i>Dr. oec. Jelena Titko</i>, Researcher at the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, Vice-Rector for Science and International Relations of the University of Applied Sciences (EKA); PhD cand., <i>Mg.oec. Edgars Čerkovskis</i>, Director of the EKA study program "Circular Economics and Social Entrepreneurship", European Commission expert on macro and regional economics) 3. State Competitiveness: a Systemic Approach. Theory and Practice (moderators: prof., <i>Dr. Jānis Vanags</i>, researcher at the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, assoc. prof., <i>Dr. Nina Linde</i>, Director of the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences)
17.30-18.00	Conclusion and final musical performance, informal conversations

Venue of the Forum: Latvian Academy of Sciences, the Portrait hall on the 3rd floor, Akadēmijas laukums 1, Riga

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Working languages: English (main language) / Latvian (simultaneous translation will be provided at the plenary sessions)

Target audience: scientists, entrepreneurs and potential investors, politicians, representatives of local governments and ministries, representatives of embassies, journalists

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¹ B2B – Business to Business

² B2S – Business to Science

³ S2S – Science to Science