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“Innovation and Ethical Responsibility in a Globalized Digital Economy”

November 14, 2024

**Venue: Latvian Academy for Sciences, Academy Square 1, Riga, Latvia
the Portrait Hall, 3rd Floor**

The 7th International Economic Forum, organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia, aims to explore the intersection of innovation and ethical responsibility in the quickly progressing digital economy. Building on the success of the previous six forums, this year's event will focus on how ethical considerations can shape technological advancements, ensuring they contribute to sustainable growth and global well-being.

*The successful practice of six previous Economic Forums is continuing, that the Forum serves as a **platform for the exchange of experience and cooperation of educators, scientists, teachers, entrepreneurs, and politicians**, stimulating the entry of local and foreign investment and the development of an innovative economy in the long term. As a platform for dialogue and cooperation, the Forum will bring together experts from diverse fields, including technology, finance, academia, and policy. These participants will share their experiences and insights through a series of plenary sessions, roundtable discussions, and interactive workshops. For the first time, the Forum will welcome the European Digital Learning Network as a co-organizer, enhancing cross-European collaboration and fostering a deeper understanding of the ethical challenges and opportunities in the digital age.*

AGENDA

November 14 (Thursday)

9.00-10.00	Registration & Early Morning Coffee
10.00-10.40	Opening Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Musical Performance• Address of the Member of the European Parliament, Committees on Economic and Monetary Affairs & Environment, prof., Dr. Inese Vaidere• Address of the Minister of Economics of the Republic of Latvia Viktors Valainis [under request]• Address of the Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia Anda Caksa• Address of the President of the Latvian Academy of Sciences prof., Dr. Ivars Kalvins



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address of the Director of the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, assoc. prof., Dr. Nina Linde
10.40-12.30	<p>Plenary Session</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Innovation in the Global World: Best Practice (Speaker: <i>Dr. Solomon Darwin</i>, Director of the Garwood Centre for Corporate Innovation and Centre for Growth Markets, University of California - Berkley, USA) [under request] Digital Education at the forefront of innovation: the importance of European initiatives in bridging didactic gaps, fostering societal inclusion and boosting citizens' engagement (Speaker: Gianluca Coppola, President of the European Digital Learning Network ETS, Italy) Now is the Time for Open Innovation (Speaker: <i>Dr. Kannan Vishwanath</i>, <i>Dr.h.c.</i> of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, International Trade Specialist in Pharmaceuticals, Chemical Engineer, Corporate Research Scientist, Latvia) Business Intuition as a Source of Innovations (Speaker: <i>M.Sc. Pamela Bernabei</i>, President of the A. Meneghetti Scientific and Humanistic Research Foundation, Switzerland) Innovation's best results in the Baltic States (Speaker: <i>MBA Cyril Golub</i>, Chairman of the Board of Directors at the Latvian Business Angel Network (LatBAN), Latvia) Innovations and Economic Development: What is the Evidence? (Speaker: <i>Dr. Janis Priede</i>, Professor of Economics at the University of Latvia, the Head of the Department of Economics, the Editor of Economics at the National Encyclopaedia of Latvia, the Head of the Scientific board of the Productivity Council of Latvia)
12.30-13.30	<i>Lunch Break, B2B, B2S and S2S meetings</i>
13.30-15.00	<p>Panel Experts Discussion & Insight of Sessions Moderators into the Work of parallel Sessions Moderator: Gerald Hoppstaedter, Entrepreneur, Adviser to the Director of the Institute of Economics of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, Latvia / Austria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploring the six core EU values at the basis of our society: Insights and recommendations on "Work inclusion of disadvantaged people" 2024 European digital learning network research The (un)expected impact on the field of Education & Training from the disruptive digital transformation: roundtables and discussions around the 3rd edition of the Dlearn survey "Future of Digital Education in EU 2024" Innovations for Development of Baltic countries and beyond
15.00-15.30	<i>Coffee Break, B2B, B2S and S2S meetings</i>
15.30-17.00	<p>Work in parallel sessions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A new era for European co-funded projects - the role of artificial intelligence in preparing and implementing European innovation projects: challenges, opportunities and new trends (Moderator: Gianluca Coppola, President of European digital learning network) Innovation, Education and Science in the Baltics as driver of Regional Development (Moderator: Prof., <i>Dr. habil. oec. Baiba Rivza</i>, Academician of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, Latvia) Innovations in the Financial Sector (Moderator: <i>prof., 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)) Business Ethics and Responsibility (Moderator: Pamela Bernabei)
20.00-00:00	<p>Gala Dinner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final remarks: Main Recommendations for Policy Makers, Entrepreneurs and Scientists & Conclusions of the Forum and its Sections Discussion. Latvian folk songs & dance & plays Certificates for participants & other surprises 😊

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