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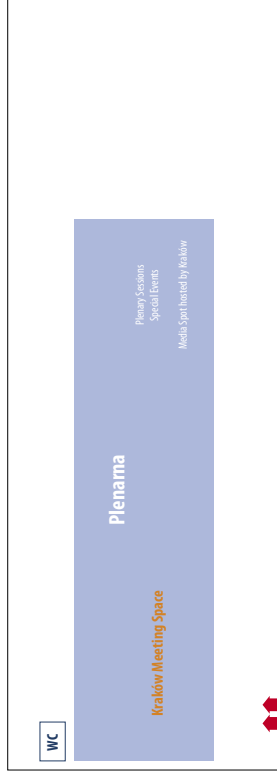
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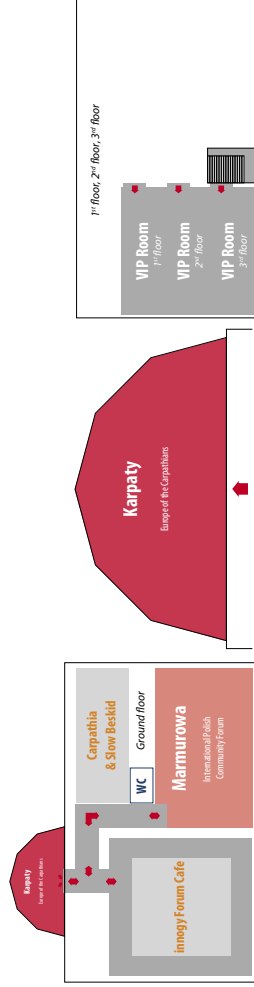
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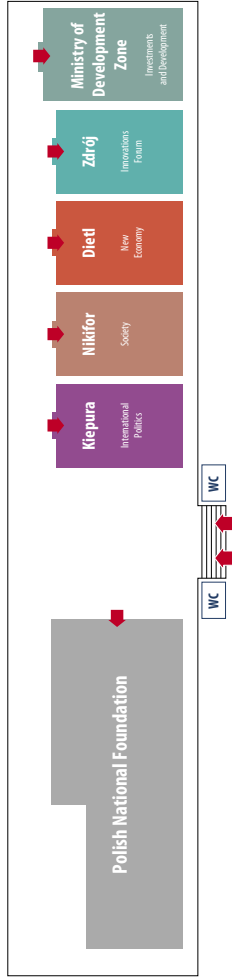
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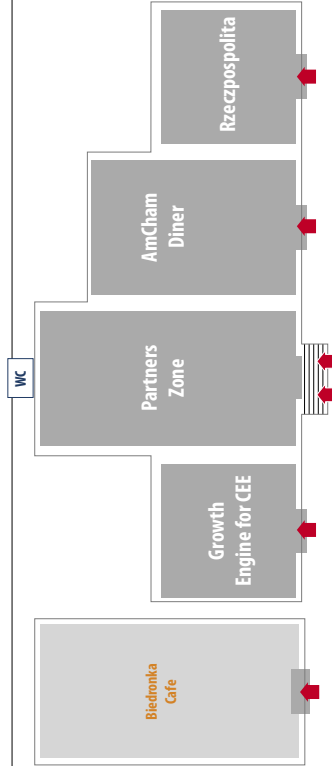
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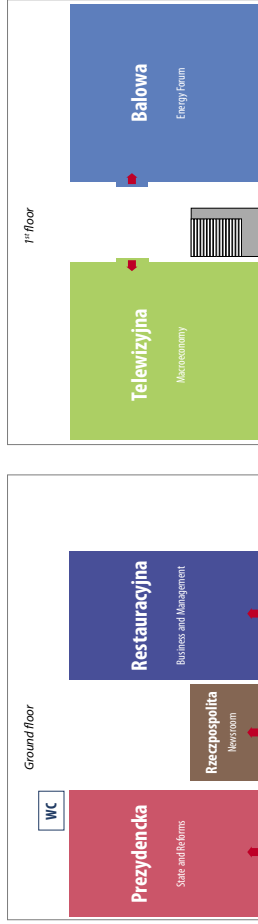
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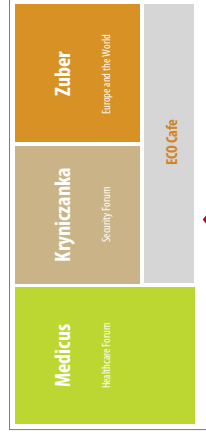
Stary Dom Zdrojowy Building E



Pawilon 1 Building F



Pawilon 2 Building G



FIXED EXHIBITIONS

SEPTEMBER 6–8

	Pijalnia	25 Years of Independent Ukraine and Her Secrets Which We Don't Know!
	Stary Dom Zdrojowy Telewizyjna	Irena Sizonienko "My Crimea. Four seasons"
	Deptak	"Białowieża Forest – Natural Forest or Cultural Heritage of the Local Inhabitants"
	Stary Dom Zdrojowy, Hall	Exhibition of Traditional Hutsul Clothing
	Deptak	"Małopolska. Revitalisation"
	Dom Forum, Hall	The Olbiński. Time Architect.
	Pawilon 1, Tarnów	Xu Peichen – the Oriental King of Monkeys

ACCOMPANYING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00	Dom Forum, Hall, Kiepara	The Olbiński. Time Architect—exhibition opening and discussion
20:15	Stary Dom Zdrojowy, Prezydencka	Brussels Evening – special event
20:15	Pawilon 1, Tarnów	Xu Peichen – the Oriental King of Monkeys – exhibition opening
21:30	Pijalnia	Gala Awards of the 26th Economic Forum
22:30	Stary Dom Zdrojowy, Balowa	Brevis – concert

For more detailed information refer to the Cultural Events brochure

SEPTEMBER 6

14:00—15:30 plenary session

Economic Stability in Unstable Times

Social, demographic and technological changes are an integral part of the world. With globalisation in full bloom, all these affect not only the world economy, but also cause serious aftermath for national economies. If stock market shocks in world financial hubs, generating unpredictable equity movements, have a destabilising effect on exchange rates and credit ratings of emerging markets, it is due to mutual dependencies across the international landscape. Is there a recipe for success in times of agitation and uncertainty for national economies and private entrepreneurs? How to anticipate and respond to threats? How to minimise their consequences?

Moderator:

Peter Stracar, CEO Central and Eastern Europe, General Electric International, Czech Republic

Speakers:

Vytėnis Andriukaitis, Commissioner for Health & Food Safety, European Commission, Belgium

Mateusz Morawiecki, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Development, Poland

HSH Prince Michael of Liechtenstein, Founder and Chairman, Geopolitical Intelligence Services AG, Liechtenstein

Ivanna Klymush-Tsintsadze, Vice Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration, Ukraine

Caroline Atkinson, Vice-President for Global Public Policy, Google, USA

Filip Thon, Senior Vice President of the Retail Executive Committee at innogy Group, CEO of innogy Polska, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

17:30—18:50 plenary session

Partner: *International Visegrad Fund*

Central and Eastern Europe – Can It Speak With One Voice?

Political and economic strength of Central Europe is based on cooperation in the field of security, energy, migration and economy. Enhancing the position of the region should be the primary goal for political elites, overreaching particular interests of individual countries. The cooperation lever in the region is the Visegrad Group. Are the V4 countries ready and determined enough for close cooperation in order to live up to the global challenges together?

Moderator:

Jack Kurski, President, Polish Television TVP S.A., Poland

Speakers:

Robert Fico, Prime Minister, Slovakia

Volodymyr Groysman, Prime Minister, Ukraine

Viktor Orban, Prime Minister, Hungary

Bohuslav Sobotka, Prime Minister, Czech Republic

Beata Szydlo, Prime Minister, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *American Chamber of Commerce in Poland (AmCham)*

The New Face of Business – Innovative Solutions, New Technologies, Digital Economy, e-Commerce

The panel will be devoted to the latest innovative solutions applied by the American companies in Poland, which change the face of the business in our country, and beyond. We will focus on topics of research and implementation of innovative solutions, the specifics of new technologies, digitization of the economy, and e-commerce. We will also discuss the opportunities for Polish companies in this field, and the legal regulations that support the development of modern technologies.

Moderator:

Michał Duszczyk, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Rafał Bator, Partner, Enterprise Investors, Poland

Bartosz Ciolkowski, Country Manager Poland, Mastercard Europe, Poland

Teresa Czerwińska, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland

Tony Housh, Chairman of the Board of Directors, American Chamber of Commerce in Poland, Poland

Mateusz Litewski, Public Policy Central & Eastern Europe, Uber

Artur Waliszewski, Regional Business Director CEE, Google, Poland

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19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: *URSUS S.A.*

Development Through Consolidation

Within the last years, the global business's consolidation has speeded up. So far, in this context the finance sector has been the most frequently mentioned one; today, also other industries, such as energy, agricultural and food industries are referred to. However, the opinions about whether mergers, acquisitions and strategic alliances enable to effectively build the equity are divided. What should be done to make consolidation in the Polish business successful? Will they improve the competitiveness of companies and the Polish economy?

Moderator:

Wawrzyniec Smoczynski, Managing Director, Polityka Insight, Poland

Speakers:

Marcin Chludzinski, President of the Board, Industrial Development Agency, Poland

Tomasz Siemiatkowski, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Polish Armaments Group, Poland

Adam Sikorski, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Unimot SA, Poland

Karol Zarajczyk, President of the Management Board, URSUS S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Collective Memory: European or National?

Collective memory shapes both national and European identity. However, it is used very often as political instrument, particularly in the face of growing euroscepticism among EU Member States. How to deal with the past, taking into account the history of individual countries and Europe as a whole?

Moderator:

Jean-Danut Carbutaru, CEO, CaleaEuropeana, Romania

Speakers:

Roger Boyes, Chief Foreign Affairs Commentator, The Times, United Kingdom

Slawomir Cenckiewicz, Director, Lieutenant General Kazimierz Sosnkowski Military Historical Office, Poland

Victor Khroul, Associate Professor, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia

Bohdan Hud, Professor, Director of the Institute of European Integration, The Ivan Franko National University Lviv, Ukraine

Wojciech Kolarski, Under-Secretary of State, Chancellery of the President, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Energy Industry of the Future: Together or Apart? Energy Cooperation

The panel will discuss trends for the new “green” energy development, joint development of new energy technologies and innovations, energy efficiency, renewables, smart energy systems, distributed generation. Special attention will be given to sustainable energy supply and environmental protection. Experts will share their views on cooperation between the EU states and the EAEU (Eurasian Economic Union) states in terms of exchange of experience, knowledge, information, technologies, in view of the development of a new energy paradigm.

Moderator:

Vladimir Likhachev, Deputy Director, Energy Research Institute of the RAS, Russia

Speakers:

Oleksandr Dombrovskiy, First Deputy Chairman of the Committee on Fuel and Energy Complex, Nuclear Policy and Nuclear Safety, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Mehmet Kinaci, Strategic Analyst, NATO Allied Command Transformation, Turkey

Vytautas Nauduzas, Ambassador to Kazakhstan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania

Peter Olajos, Vice President, SME Europe, Hungary

Alexander Rahr, Project Manager, German–Russian Forum, Germany

Richard Wheeler, Managing Director, Center for Energy Security Dialogue, USA

Jan Zizka, Senior Consultant, Energy Projects Specialist, HATcom, Czech Republic

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20:15—21:15 Discussion Panel

Partners: International Visegrad Fund
Eurozine

Migration – Opportunity or Threat for the EU? Central European Point of View

Mass migration is part of the European and world history. However, the wave of refugees, in particular from the Middle East, shows extreme differences between the European countries in the perception and willingness to accept migrants. Some Central European countries declined to accept EU proposals. They closed borders for immigrants arguing that a real strategy towards migration is needed which do not interfere into internal politics and guarantees security for the citizens. Is Visegrad Group strong enough to face the problem of mass migration? Is there a change for a European compromise in this matter?

Moderator:

Katya Andrusz, Communications Coordinator and Deputy Spokesperson, The European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), Austria

Speakers:

Peter Balazs, Director, Professor, Central European University Center for European Neighborhood Studies, Hungary

Irena Krasnicka, Special Envoy on Migration, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Czech Republic

Rafal Trzaskowski, Member, Parliament, Poland

Magdalena Vasaryova, Chairwoman, Živena, the Slovak Women’s Association, Slovakia

Tomas Zdechovsky, Member of Parliament, European Parliament, Czech Republic

Commentator:

Valentina Vedeneeva, Research fellow, Institute for World Economy and International Relations, RAS, Russia

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16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Vicious Circle – Youth on Labour Market in Europe

The European Commission's report "The Employment and Social Developments" shows that in 2015 there were almost 11 mln long-term unemployed and 4.6 mln unemployed young people in the UE. The forecast is that these numbers are slowly going down. Is investment in skills, mobility, as well as changes to labour law enough to give chance for young people to be successful on the labour market?

Moderator:

Jacek Karczewski, Vice-President for Francophonie and Euro-Mediterranean Partnership Affairs, Association France-Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Alina Bargaonu, Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs, School of Administrative & Political Studies, Romania

Viacheslav Bobkov, Director General, Professor, Joint-Stock Company All-Russia Centre of Living Standard Scientific Research Organization, Russia

Nunzia Catalfo, Vice Chair of the Committee on Labour and Welfare, Senate, Italy

Marije Laffeber, Deputy Secretary General of the Party of European Socialists, The Netherlands

Larysa Lisohor, Director for Labour Market of the Institute for Demography and Social Studies, National Academy of Science, Ukraine

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Special Events

Partners: *McKinsey & Company*
Forbes Poland

How Can Digitization Speed Up Poland's Development?

The latest McKinsey report – which will be presented during the debate – shows that Poland can speed up its economic development thanks to digitization. How? The country should not limit itself to supporting startups. If digitization is to significantly increase productivity, it must also impact traditional sectors such as telecommunications, energy, and manufacturing.

Digital Poland. Capturing the Opportunity to Join Leading Global Economies

Speakers:

Daniel Boniecki, EEMA TMT Managing Director, McKinsey & Company, McKinsey & Company, Poland

How Can Digitization Speed Up Poland's Development?

Moderator:

Michal Broniatowski, Editor-in-Chief, Forbes Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Daniel Boniecki, EEMA TMT Managing Director, McKinsey & Company, McKinsey & Company, Poland

Tomasz Czechowicz, Managing Partner, MCI Management, Poland

Amir Haramaty, Chief Commercial Officer, SparkBeyond, USA
Zbigniew Jagiello, President of the Management Board, PKO Bank Polski SA, Poland
Adam Sawicki, CEO, T-Mobile Polska S.A., Poland
Lukasz Wejchert, Founder, Dirlango Sp. z o.o, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6**16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel***Partner: Center of International Studies*

Facing Contemporary Terrorism – How to Defend Europe?

A new and peculiar dimension, unrestrained and unpredictable, characterises the terrorist threat in Europe. While increasingly complex, subversive activities are linked not only to structured organisations, but also to isolated subjects and the nature of the objectives has changed as well, from infrastructures and/or prominent personalities to everyday places and common people. How to deal with an invisible enemy today? How should counter-intelligence infiltrate terrorist networks? What about intergovernmental cooperation?

Moderator:

Andrea Margelletti, President, Center of International Studies, Italy

Speakers:

Federico Aznar Fernandez de Montesinos, Commander, Analyst at The Spanish Institute for Strategic Studies, CESEDEN Ministry of Defence, Spain

Roberta Bonazzi, Executive Director, European Foundation for Democracy, Belgium

Alexey Malashenko, Professor, Member of the Scientific Council, Carnegie Moscow Center, Russia

Mariusz Sokolowski, Partner, R4S sp. z o.o. (LLC), Poland

Giacomo Stucchi, President of the Parliamentary Committee for the Intelligence and Security Services and for State Secret Control COPASIR, Senate, Italy

Richard Walton, Former London Metropolitan Police Leader, United Kingdom

Commentator:

Denys Kazanskyi, Chief Editor, The Fourth Estate, Ukraine

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19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

The Future of the Neighbourhood. Is Reconciliation of Poles and Russians Possible?

Reconciliation, after centuries of war atrocities and mutual hatred, is a vastly important contemporary experience of the European nations – French, Germans, Jews and Poles. Historical memory of victims and harm caused by feuding nations, does not exclude their reconciliation. Will Poles and Russians shake their hands?

Moderator:

Jacek Karnowski, Editor-in-Chief of wSieci weekly, Fratria Ltd., Poland

Ariadna Rokossovskaya, Observer, Russian Newspaper, Russia

Speakers:

Piotr Gliniski, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Culture and National Heritage, Poland

Victor Erofeev, Writer, Russia

Valery Pendrakovskiy, Director, Writer, Producer, Mosfilm, Russia

Krzysztof Zanussi, Director, Film Studio TOR, Poland

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20:30—21:30 Thematic Block

Partner: EY

Effective Local Self-Government: Workshops with EY Experts

Local government as targets of cybercriminals

Speakers:

Tomasz Dyrda, Fraud Investigation & Dispute Services, EY, Poland

Grzegorz Idzikowski, Manager, EY, Poland

Better and cheaper hospitals

Speakers:

Michał Majewski, Senior Manager, EY, Poland

Jakub Szulc, Director, EY, Poland

How to get ready with SSC before 1.1.2017

Speakers:

Agnieszka Bryl, Director, EY, Poland

Agnieszka Dujka, Manager, EY, Poland

Can local governments afford all the investments?

Speakers:

Jakub Adamski, Senior Consultant, EY, Poland

Maciej Ziomek, Senior Manager, EY, Poland

New VAT for local authorities, personal responsibility of heads of local authorities – challenges and opportunities

Speakers:

Dorota Pokrop, Partner, EY, Poland

KOMPAS: innovative web-based helpdesk solution for local authorities

Speakers:

Tomasz Dziadura, Manager, EY, Poland

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16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: **BOSON ENERGY SA**

Industry 4.0 will need Energy 4.0

Access to energy is a prerequisite for economic development and local prosperity. If we fail to design energy solutions that are environmentally sustainable and resilient, it will hardly be possible to reap the societal benefits of Industry 4.0, let alone transition towards a circular economy. Panelists will discuss the role of distributed energy provision and “island solutions” in responding to changes brought about by the 4th industrial revolution, and in helping to achieve the sustainable development goals, both in industrialized countries and developing ones. Key words include: micro-clusters, the transition from commodity to non-commodity business models, and legal / regulatory requirements.

Moderator:

Michał Ruminski, President, EEC Ventures, Poland

Speakers:

Tomas David, CEO, EP Energy, a.s., Czech Republic

Jan Grimbrandt, CEO and Chairman of the Board, Boson Energy SA, Luxembourg

Bolesław Jankowski, Vice-President for Trading, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna S.A., Poland

Michał Kurtyka, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Paweł Smolen, Board Member for Energy and Industry, ERBUD SA, Poland

Robert Szlezak, Vice President of the Board, Science and Technology Energy Park, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: Gas Transmission Operator GAZ–SYSTEM

Northern Gate. Opening for New Natural Gas Markets in Europe

- The development of integrated gas market in Central and Eastern Europe.
- Infrastructure investments in the region – the prospects for new supply directions and sources.
- The role of the Norwegian Corridor in increasing the economic competitiveness of regional gas markets.
- Energy safety in the EU and investments in industry infrastructure.

Special guest:

Piotr Naimski, Government's Plenipotentiary for Strategic Energy Infrastructure, The Chancellery of the Prime Minister, Poland

Moderator:

Piotr Maciążek, Editor-in-Chief, Energetyka24, Poland

Speakers:

Matthew Bryza, Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council of the United States, USA

Costanza Jacazio, Senior Gas Expert, Gas, Coal & Power Markets Division, International Energy Agency (IEA), Italy

Søren Juel Hansen, Head of Development, Energinet.dk, Denmark

Michał Kurtyka, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Rokas Masiulis, Minister, Ministry of Energy, Lithuania

Tomasz Stepień, President of the Management Board, GAZ–SYSTEM, Poland

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16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: Rzeczpospolita

Railway investment: How to accelerate freight trains?

Despite a visible improvement in passenger service, freight transport still remains a problem. Poland has one of the lowest levels of freight trains' average speed in Europe (20–50 km/h). A huge problem are delays. How to enhance railway freight transport? How to use EU funds to do so? The key role of strategic railways modernisation, especially those linking ports and main industrial centres.

Moderator:

Hubert Salik, Editor, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Maciej Libiszewski, President of the Management Board, PKP Cargo, Poland

Michał Lipkin, CEO, Vitras, Lithuania

Jerzy Michałek, Member of the Board, Dolnośląskie Region's Marshal's Office, Poland

Zdzisław Nowakowski, Rector, Higher School of Computer Science, Management and Administration in Warsaw, Poland

Wojciech Orzech, President of the Management Board, PKP Energetyka S.A., Poland

Frank Schuhholz, CEO, FMS Advisers B.V., The Netherlands

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19:00—20:00 Thematic Block

Partner: *Malopolska – the space of innovation*

A Key to Innovative Economy?

Innovativeness ensures a stable and fast growth of economies of the European Union. Innovative solutions in management and economy need to be supported. However, this needs a proper ecosystem, based on the cooperation between the business, the state and the science. Also proper support to companies and start-ups. What are the public and private programmes of support to young entrepreneurs? What start-ups and technologies are worth investing in?

A Key to Innovative Economy?

Moderator:

Paweł Czuryło, Interia.pl SA, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Poland

Speakers:

Magdalena Burnat-Mikosz, Partner, Vice-president of the Board, Deloitte Advisory Sp. z o.o, Poland

Bartosz Ciolkowski, Country Manager Poland, Mastercard Europe, Poland

Patrycja Klarecka, President, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development, Poland

Iain Maxwell, Managing Director, Canon Polska, Poland

Anya Margaret Ogorkiewicz, Managing Director, The Keryx Group, USA

Waldemar Pawlak, President, Polish Economic Congress Foundation, Poland

Paweł Szefernaker, State Secretary, The Chancellery of the Prime Minister, Poland

Presentation of Google Campus

Speakers:

Rafał Plutecki, Head of Campus, Google, Poland

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20:15—21:15 Thematic Block

The Influence of e-Commerce on Economic Development

The value of the Internet economy in Poland is estimated at PLN 36 million. Experts predict that in the next 5 years this figure will double. Every year the number of digital consumers increases due to technological development. If companies want to keep up with the changes in the market, they must implement new solutions that respond to consumers' needs. Which innovative activities and new technologies do have the greatest impact on the development of the e-commerce industry?

European Payment Report

Speakers:

Krzysztof Krauze, Chief Executive Officer, Intrum Justitia
Sp. z o.o, Poland

The Influence of e-Commerce on Economic Development

Moderator:

Lukasz Dec, Editor in Chief, Telko.in, Poland

Speakers:

Sylvia Bilska, General Manager, Board Member, PayU, Poland

Dariusz Stolarczyk, Vice-President of the Board, RUCH S.A.,
Poland

Xiaoying Zeng, General Manager, Elinktech Company Limited,
China

Jacek Lukaszewski, Country President, Schneider Electric
Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:20 Discussion Panel

Partner: EY

The Shape and Direction of Polish
Healthcare System's Development

Changes in the health care system are its immanent part. However, just like in any other field, the basis for stable and good functioning is the predictability of the implementation of new solutions. During the opening panel we would like to talk about the challenges faced by the Polish health care system and try to answer the most important issues for stakeholders:

- What kind of funding for medical services (paying for effect, global budgets, other solutions)? How to receive the best therapeutic effects in Polish financial conditions? Can flat-rate financing (mostly) be combined with quality improvement and cost effectiveness?
- What should be the role of the public payer or the functioning of a budget system?
- Do we need an overview of the guaranteed benefits? If so, what alternative funding sources can be used in Poland?
- What should the relationship between public and private health care look like in the opinion of the Regulator?

Special guest:

Vytenis Andriukaitis, Commissioner for Health & Food Safety,
European Commission

Moderator:

Lukasz Zalicki, Partner, EY, Poland

Speakers:

Malgorzata Galazka-Sobotka, Head of the Center of
Post-graduate Studies, Lazarski University, Poland

Piotr Gryza, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Health,
Poland

Andrzej Jacyna, Acting President of the Board, National Health
Fund, Poland

Marcin Kuta, Chairman of the Health Protection Commission,
Malopolska Regional Assembly, Poland

Anna Rulkiewicz, CEO, LUX MED Group, Poland

Jakub Szulc, Director, EY, Poland

Adam Witkowski, Head of Department of Cardiology and
Interventional Angiology, The Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński
Institute of Cardiology

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:10 Special Events

Partner: *Sluzba Zdrowia 3.0.*

Do Poles Abuse the Use of Dietary Supplements

There are about 10,000 so-called dietary supplements on the Polish market. The Poles spend more than 3 million zlotys on these products annually. The regulations of the Polish law define the dietary supplements as foodstuff. It results in wide availability and uncontrolled consumption of products which are not indif-ferent to health. Improper use of supplements may have a significant effect on our health. How is the dietary supplements market regulated in Poland today and what should it be like in the future? Discussion with clinicians, healthcare politicians and public law specialists.

Moderator:

Mariusz Gujski, Editor-in-Chief, Journalist, Sanitas Sp. z o.o., Poland

Speakers:

Elzbieta Rutkowska-Piotrowska, President, Polish Pharmaceutical Chamber, Poland

Wojciech Matuszewicz, President, The Agency for Health Technology Assessment and Tariff System (AOTMIT), Poland

Marek Posobkiewicz, Chief Sanita

SEPTEMBER 6

20:15—21:20 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Domański Zakrzewski Palinka*

Health Priorities in Brain Diseases

According to European Brain Council (ECB) estimates, the total cost of treating brain disorders in 30 European countries has risen from EUR 386 billion in 2004 to EUR 798 billion in 2010. This means that the costs of brain disorders are higher than the sum of the costs of oncological and cardiovascular diseases and diabetes. Efficacious brain healthcare today requires: education of medical personnel, patients and the public, prevention, co-ordinated and full-range treatment, rehabilitation and social care. The indirect costs of brain disorders greatly exceed the direct costs, which has led to health and social care having to be rationalised.

Moderator:

Michał Czarnuch, Advocate, Partner, Domański Zakrzewski Palinka Law Firm, Poland

Speakers:

Prof. Stefan Oberndorfer, Neuro-Oncologist, Head of Neurology Department, University Hospital of St. Pölten, Austria

Prof. Grzegorz Opala, Honorary President, Polish Brain Council, Poland

Jarosław Pinkas, Secretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland

Prof. Danuta Ryglewicz, Director, Institute of Psychiatry and Neurology in Warsaw, Poland

Andrzej Jacyna, Acting President of the Board, National Health Fund, Poland

Prof. Jarosław Slawek, Head of the Neurological Department and Stroke, St. Albert Hospital in Gdansk, Poland

Prof. Agata Szulc, Head of the Department of Psychiatry of the Faculty of Health Science, Medical University of Warsaw (WUM), Poland

Malgorzata Galazka-Sobotka, Head of the Center of Post-graduate Studies, Lazarski University, Poland
Izabela Czarnecka-Walicka, President, The NeuroPositive Foundation, Poland
Tadeusz Hawrot, Senior Public Affairs Manager, European Brain Council, Belgium

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16:00—17:15 Special Events

Partners: **Senate of the Republic of Poland**
TVP Polonia

The State Policy Towards the Polish Community Abroad

There are nearly 20 million Poles living outside Poland. Coordination of actions undertaken by all state institutions will facilitate effective performance of their duties as regards cooperation with the Polish community and Poles abroad. In view of the numerous current and future challenges, the Polish state must identify all tools necessary to achieve the strategic objectives of the policy towards the Polish community. The panel participants will discuss the main directions of this policy, and the inter-institutional efforts to put it into practice.

Special guest:

Stanisław Karczewski, Speaker, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Moderator:

Magdalena Tadeusiak-Mikolajczak, Director, Editor-in-Chief TVP Polonia, Polish Television TVP S.A., Poland

Speakers:

Jan Cytowski, Chairman, World Polonia Council, Canada

Jan Dziedziczak, Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Mikolaj Falkowski, Chairman of the Board, Assistance to Poles in the East Foundation, Poland

Longin Komolowski, President, Polish Community Association, Poland

Adam Kwiatkowski, Secretary of State – Chief of the Cabinet of the President, Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Tadeusz Adam Pilat, President, Union of Polish Communities in Europe, Sweden

Tomasz Pustowka, Vice-president, The Congress of Poles in the Czech Republic, Czech Republic

Commentator:

Aleksandra Slusarek, President, Association of repatriated PR, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

What Future for the Press Market?

Internet and social media have dramatically changed the media's world in recent years. From year to year, printed newspapers are losing readers. Press also lost its position as a source of professional information and a forum for exchange of views. In the discussion we would like to answer whether paper editions of newspapers still have economic future and whether its readership is dying out; whether there are publishing or rather multimedia companies; how the process of media convergence will unfold.

Moderator:

Beata Tadla, Expert, Poland

Speakers:

Bartosz Hojka, President of the Management Board, AGORA, Poland

Jerzy Jurecki, Journalist, Tygodnik Podhalański, Poland

Gregor Knafelc, Editor-in-Chief, Delo, Slovenia

Michał Maciej Lisiecki, President of the Management Board, PMPG Polskie Media SA, Poland

Olexiy Pogorelov, General Director, Ukrainian Association of Press Publishers, Ukraine

Edyta Sadowska, CEO, Ringier Axel Springer Polska Sp. z o.o., Poland

Petr Zenkner, Reporter, Hospodarske Noviny, Czech Republic

SEPTEMBER 6

20:15—21:15 Discussion Panel

The Free Trade Area Between the European Union and the New Associated Countries – Is it Really Deep and Comprehensive?

The DCFTA contains provisions on the establishment of a free trade zone, involving the gradual elimination of tariffs and other trade barriers as well as the harmonization of standards and regulations. The trade agreement also provides for liberalization of public procurement and trade in services as well as protection of intellectual property (eg. copyrights). The panel members will discuss, to what degree the trade agreement can be considered as deep and comprehensive, who will gain the most and what results can be expected in the long term.

Moderator:

Jacek Piechota, President of the Board, Polish – Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Poland

Speakers:

Viorel Chivriga, Director of Functional Market Economy Department, Institute for Development and Social Initiatives "Viitorul", Republic of Moldova

Sergey Komarov, Prorector, Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation, Russia

Zahid Mamedov, Director of the Department of Science, Azerbaijan State University of Economics, Azerbaijan

Iaroslav Romanchuk, President, Association of Ukrainian Business in Poland, Ukraine

Yaroslav Zhalilo, Leading Research Fellow, Institute for Economics and Forecasting, NAS of Ukraine, Ukraine

Commentator:

Kerry Longhurst, Professor, Collegium Civitas, United Kingdom



The Regions Forum takes place in Krynica–Zdroj. Certain recreational events will be held in Muszyna.

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Małopolska Region*

European Development Strategies: Towards Building Strong Regions

In a changing world, the EU needs a smart and sustainable economy that promotes social inclusion. Parallel work on these three priorities should help the EU and the Member States in obtaining employment growth and an increase in productivity and social cohesion. In each of the areas designated by the EU, all Member States have designated, in turn, their own national targets. How can the regions strengthen the implementation of their goals? How to harmonise policies and regional objectives of the EU strategy?

*Moderator:***Jacek Krupa**, Marshal, Malopolska Region, Poland*Speakers:***Cecile Jodogne**, Secretary of State for Foreign Trade, Firefighting and Emergency Medical Assistance, Government of the Brussels–Capital Region, Belgium**Jerzy Kwiecinski**, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland**Paul Lindquist**, Member, European Committee of the Regions, Sweden**Emilia Skrok**, Acting Country Manager, The World Bank, Poland**Mihaela Vrabete**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration, Romania

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Cross–Border Cooperation and its Impact on the Development of Coastal Regions

Cross border cooperation is based on, among others, increased promotional activities, exchange of information, improvement of infrastructure, youth and economic cooperation and water protection. The Polish Presidency in the Council of Baltic Sea States (July 2015 – June 2016), was an excellent opportunity to promote projects at the European forum, including activities of the Baltic Sea Strategy. It is worth starting a discussion about the contemporary achievements of Baltic cooperation. What are the examples of benefits and challenges of cross border cooperation in coastal regions in the world?

*Moderator:***Mikael Appelqvist**, Head of Protocol, Region Västra Götaland, Sweden*Speakers:***Martin Guillermo Ramirez**, Secretary General, Association of European Border Regions, Spain**Krzysztof Hildebrandt**, Mayor, City Hall of Wejherowo, Poland**Alexander Korkin**, Deputy Chairman of the Public Advisory Council, Parliament of Kaliningrad Region, Russia**Oleksandr Syenkeyvych**, Mayor, Mykolayiv City Council, Ukraine**Wioletta Sokol**, Director, Institute of Regional and Cross–Border Cooperation of the Baltic Sea Region, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Expansion of Transport Infrastructure as a Priority for Regional Development

An effective transport system increases economic activity and social mobility. Therefore, it is one of the basic factors stimulating socio-economic development. The most important aspect of transport infrastructure (roads, airports) expansion lies not in the length of constructed roads and number of airports, but the place of their construction and the way in which they, as investments, will be connected with local possibilities, as well as needs. What are the visions, aims and strategic objectives for long-term transport infrastructure development in regions?

Moderator:

Lukasz Ciuba, Project Manager, Economy Consultants Group TOR, Poland

Speakers:

Adrian Furgalski, Vice President of the Board/President of the Board, Economy Consultants Group TOR/ Railway Business Forum, Poland

Tomas Janeba, President, Czech Infrastructure Association, Czech Republic

Ruslan Martsinkiv, Mayor, Ivano-Frankivsk City Council, Ukraine

Maksim Savinov, President, NGO Association “Regiomonti”, Russia

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Local Government à la Polonaise. How Do Others Perceive Us and How Do We Judge Ourselves?

Local authorities play an important role in the social and economic development, and self-government is an essential element of a democratic state. What to do to ensure the further development of self-citizenship? How are we perceived by other countries? Can the Polish local self-government reform become a model for other countries that are facing the necessity to change their system?

Moderator:

Kazimierz Barczyk, Deputy Chairman, Malopolska Regional Assembly, Poland

Speakers:

Gustaw Marek Brzezina, Marshal, Warminsko-Mazurskie Region's Marshal's Office, Poland

Jadwiga Emilewicz, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Jiao Jun, Head of Xinglong County, Hebei Province, China

Vasyl Kuybida, Chairman, People's Movement of Ukraine, former Minister of Regional Development and City Mayor of Lviv, Ukraine

Jianqiang Li, Head of Longyao County, Prowincja Hebei, China
Wladyslaw Ortyl, Marshal, Podkarpackie Region's Marshal's Office, Poland

Participation in discussion:

Valentyna Emikh, Senior Researcher, PhD, Faculty of Law, Institute of Philosophy and Law, Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

SEPTEMBER 6

20:15—21:15 Discussion Panel

How to Support Employment of Disabled People: a Business or a Social Approach?

1) State Fund for Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons (PFRON) supports the employment of nearly 250 000 disabled persons (DPs) with its subsidies. It generates costs in the amount of about PLN 3 billion per year. However, permanent support is provided only to 12–15% of DPs. The issue that should be discussed, is how to effectively spend these funds. 2) The funds from PFRON were used to establish and currently maintain the functioning of the Institution for Professional Activity (ZAZ). 98 of them hire about 3,9 thousand DPs in total. At the same time about 26 thousand DPs participate in employment therapy workshops. The role and the impact of those workshops and ZAZ on the professional activity increase should be discussed. 3) PFRON subsidises the studies of about 20 thousand DPs. Nevertheless, the labour market does not create expectations of education and higher qualifications among DPs. How can we change this approach?

Moderator:

Robert Kwiatkowski, President of Board, State Fund for Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons, Poland

Speakers:

Agata Gawska, President, Foundation AKTYWIZACJA, Poland

Krzysztof Michalkiewicz, Plenipotentiary for people with disabilities, Office of the Plenipotentiary for people with disabilities, Poland

Piotr Pawlowski, President, Fundacja – Integracja, Poland

Jan Zajac, President, Polish Organisation of Employers of Disabled Persons, Poland

Zofia Zuk, President, Łuksja Sp. z o.o, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

12:00—13:00 Presentation

EXPORT Program

Speakers:

Paweł Borys, President of the Management Board, Polish Development Fund, Poland

Radosław Domagalski-Labedzki, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Mateusz Morawiecki, Deputy Prime Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:00 Debate

Debate about Responsible Development Plan

Moderator:

Wiktor Świetlik, Director of the Centre for Monitoring of the Press Freedom

Panelist:

Mateusz Morawiecki, Deputy Prime Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Rzeczpospolita*

Making an Effective Use of an EXPO Organization Opportunity for the Promotion of Poland

EXPO is an opportunity for foreign expansion of Polish companies, promoting Polish brands, establishing the relation and creating the space for business networking, as well as stimulating the development of the private sector through public investments. A great advantage of the Polish candidacy is bringing back the idea of EXPO to the city centre, accessibility of Łódź in terms of road transport, as well as the suggested subject matter, i.e. revitalization, being a reply to global urbanization trends and the most urgent needs of residents of cities.

Moderator:

Bogusław Chrabota, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Kamil Blazek, Chairman, Association for Foreign Investment (AFI), Czech Republic

Radosław Domagalski-Labedzki, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Caterina Filippini, Professor, Milan University, Italy

Wojciech Rosicki, Deputy Mayor, Lodz City Council, Poland

Hanna Zdanowska, Mayor, Lodz City Council, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

One Eurozone or an EU of Multiple Currencies?

On 1st January 2015 Lithuania joined the eurozone. It was the last EU member, which entered ERM-II and managed to meet all the euro adoption criteria required. The remaining 7 states required to do so by their accession treaties, have not undertaken any solid legal or political steps to waive their national currencies. In addition, Denmark and the UK are nowhere near resignation from their opt-outs. Are we then facing a perspective of a multi-currency union? Can we talk of further eurozone enlargement in light of current EU's hardships? What has to be done to ensure full convergence?

Moderator:

Adam Czerniak, Chief Economist, Polityka Insight, Poland

Speakers:

Oldrich Dedek, Chief Coordinator for Euro Adoption, Ministry of Finance, Czech Republic

Gediminas Šimkus, Director of the Economics and Financial Stability Service, Bank of Lithuania, Lithuania

Roberto Sommella, Head of the Directorate for Foreign and Institutional Relations, Guarantor Authority for Competition and Market, Italy

Andris Strazds, Adviser, Bank of Latvia, Latvia

Xavier Vidal-Folch Balanzo, Member of the Board, Foundation Alternativas, Spain

Barnabas Virag, Executive Director Monetary Policy, Financial Stability and Lending Incentives, The National Bank of Hungary, Hungary

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: LLC Orta Media

The Energy Balance of the Countries of Central and Eastern Europe: Where to Get the Energy From for Economic Development?

Key energy experts and decision makers will gather to evaluate the perspectives of Eastern Europe's future energy balance, based on the reduction of CO2 emissions and an obvious need for energy efficiency and maintainability increase.

The topics for discussion will be: how will the Polish national energy sector be modified in order to fulfill COP 21 agreement and Europe 2020 strategy requirements? What are the paths for the regional cooperation in this sphere? What actions should be taken first?

Moderator:

Neil Buckley, Eastern Europe Editor, Financial Times, United Kingdom

Speakers:

Wojciech Gluszewski, General Secretary, Polish Nuclear Society, Poland

Zsolt Harfas, Advisor, Hungarian Electrotechnical Association, Hungary

Dmitry Sukhanov, General Director, Atomenergoprom, Russia

Rafal Zasun, Editor-in-Chief, WysokieNapiecie.pl, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Thematic Block

Partner: Siemens

The Fourth Industrial Revolution in Poland. Technology. Management. Practice

What is the fourth industrial revolution in practice? Are Polish companies prepared for the fourth industrial revolution in terms of technology and organization? Learn more about the research study results “Smart Industry Poland 2016” discussed in the panel made by Siemens. Is Polish industry prepared for the fourth industrial revolution? Find out what entrepreneurs, technology providers, Polish and foreign market experts as well as government experts can say about the fourth industrial revolution.

Special Guest Lecture

Speaker:

Bernhard Budaker, Head of Business Unit Automotive Fraunhofer IPA, Fraunhofer Institute for Manufacturing Engineering and Automation IPA, Germany

Presentation of Business Leader

Speaker:

Michał Kot, Digital Factory & Process Industries and Drives Director, Siemens, Poland

Smart Industry 2016

Speakers:

Izabella Anuszewska, Research Unit Director, Millward Brown, Poland

The Fourth Industrial Revolution in Poland. Technology. Management. Practice

Moderator:

Artur Osiecki, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Tomasz Haiduk, Digital Factory & Process Industries and Drives Director, Siemens, Poland

Franciszek Hutten-Czapski, Senior Partner, Managing Director, The Boston Consulting Group, Poland

Jacek Reiner, Associate Professor, Wrocław University of Technology, Poland

Jan Stanilko, Deputy Director of the Department of Innovations, Ministry of Development, Poland

Karol Zarajczyk, President of the Management Board, URSUS S.A., Poland

Piotr Zawistowski, Vice-President of the Management Board for Customer and Commercial Affairs, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

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19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: KPMG in Poland

Electrification 2.0

According to an OECD report, among the 50 most air-polluted cities in Europe, 25 are located in Poland. Low emission from individual heaters and car pollution are main sources for low quality air. How can this issue be addressed? Can the use of electric power as a source of heat and drive become a reasonable alternative? How can the cooperation of local governments, the energy industry and inventors induce the next wave of electrification of Poland?

During the panel, among other matters, case studies concerning the electrification of transport in the city will be discussed.

Moderator:

Mirosław Proppe, Partner, KPMG in Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Jarosław Broda, Vice-President of the Management Board for Asset Management and Development, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

Michał Latacz, Founder and CEO, NOA Sp. z o.o, Poland

Józef Neterowicz, Expert on Renewable Energy, Association of Polish Counties, Poland

Andrzej Piotrowski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Witold Smialek, Advisor to the Mayor, Krakow City Council, Poland

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16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Industry 4.0 – Digital Transformation of Economy

Industry 4.0 – or Smart Manufacturing – aims to achieve a networked and self-organising production process connecting intelligent machines and real time data, such as cloud integration, Big Data or the Internet of Things. What impact will this development have on business?

Moderator:

Eryk Mistewicz, President, The New Media Institute, Poland

Speakers:

Benedikt Benenati, Founder & CEO, Only The Braves, France

Michał Cieminski, Founder & CEO, Platinum Seed, Poland

Walter Eevers, Director Research & Development, VITO, Flemish Institute for Technological Research, Belgium

Bartłomiej Gola, General Partner, SpeedUp Venture Capital Group, Poland

Radosław Pogoda, CEO, NEWTON Media Polska, Poland

Gilles Vanden Burre, Member, Federal Parliament, Belgium

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *KGHM SHANGHAI*

New Silk Road – Opportunities and Challenges

New Silk Road, also known as the Belt and Road Initiative, is to build a network between China and Europe (including on-the-way–countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Middle East), the largest trading partner of China. This concept focuses on creating and providing logistics and infrastructural facilities. What are the opportunities of Belt and Road? What are the challenges to be faced by entities participating in the initiative? How can we shape the New Silk Road?

Moderator:

Bartosz Michalak, Chairman, Polish Chinese Cooperation Forum, Poland

Speakers:

Radosław Domagalski–Labeledzki, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Michał Jeziorek, Executive Director/General Manager, KGHM Shanghai Copper Trading, Poland

Bakhadyr Suleymanov, Member, Parliament, Kyrgyzstan

Stephen Wong, Regional Director, Europe, Hong Kong Trade Development Council HKTDC, Hong Kong

Lei Zhao, Professor of International Strategy Research, Central Communist Party School of China, China

Commentator:

Sergey Agibalov, Head of CIS Research, Foundation Institute for Energy and Finance, Russia

SEPTEMBER 6

15:45—16:45 Discussion Panel

Megaprojects or Short and Long Term in Energy Sector Planning

Megaprojects are strategic state endeavours. In Energy sector megaprojects are mainly infrastructure or power stations aimed at Energy security improvement. Economists take different look on them, depending on their approach to the issue. In the short term megaprojects seem expensive and risky. In longer term such enterprises are aimed at providing of value added. Such perspective makes state companies take up the challenge. Panel participants will be Polish Minister of Energy, a head of Polish Energy policy brain, and main Polish energy and upstream companies. They will speak about key energy megaprojects in Poland.

Special guest:

Krzysztof Tchorzewski, Minister, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Moderator:

Wojciech Jakobik, Editor-in-Chief, biznesalert.pl, Poland

Speakers:

Henryk Baranowski, President of the Management Board, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna S.A., Poland

Dariusz Kaskow, President of the Board, ENERGA Group, Poland

Miroslaw Kowalik, CEO, ENEA S.A., Poland

Janusz Kowalski, Vice-President of the Management Board, Corporate, Polish Oil and Gas SA (PGNiG SA), Poland

Remigiusz Nowakowski, CEO, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Corporate Governance – What it Stands for Today?

Issues in corporate governance arise from legal acts and practice of economic life, which create company managing principles and instruments. The key factors in changing corporate governance tools are best practices documents concerning performance of entities with Treasury shareholding. Corporate governance translates into the companies' working practices, influencing its organization, individualized management principles and procedures implemented in capital groups.

Moderator:

Marek Tejchman, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Gazeta Prawna Daily, Poland

Speakers:

Filip Grzegorzczak, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Treasury, Poland

Kamil Kaminski, Vice President of the Management Board for Corporate Affairs, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

Zbigniew Leszczynski, Chief Sales Officer, PKN ORLEN S.A., Poland

Malgorzata Zaleska, President of the Management Board, Warsaw Stock Exchange, Poland

SEPTEMBER 6

16:00—17:15 Discussion Panel

1050 Years and What Next? Christian and Post-Christian Poland

The baptism of Poland in 966 was a civilisational breakthrough that have shaped the young Polish state and have integrated it in the Western culture and civilisation. The millennial celebrations of 1966 showed the vitality of the Christian tradition facing the communist system. Does Christianity still have today, in a totally different political and social circumstances, a real influence on moral choices and behaviour of the Poles? How should we understand the ethical dimension of economic decisions in a market economy? What is the meaning, in practical terms, of the constitutional principle of cooperation between the State and the Church for the common good?

Moderator:

Juliusz Braun, Expert, BRAUN, Kultura i Media, Poland

Speakers:

Marek Kamiński, Adviser for Development, Invena SA, Poland

Jens Lowitzsch, Professor, European University Viadrina, Germany

Wojciech Polak, Metropolitan Archbishop of Gniezno, Primate of Poland, Archdiocese of Gniezno, Poland

Krzysztof Zanussi, Director, Film Studio Tor, Poland

Maciej Zieba, President, Tertio Millennio Institute, Poland

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19:00—20:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences

Great Migration: a Threat or an Asset?

A powerful influx of refugees, asylum seekers and migrants into the EU in 2015 evokes the Europeans' memories of the Migration Period in the early centuries of the Christian era: Huns, Mongols, Arabs, Turks moved from East to West due to the contrasts of economic development and population dynamics. The same factors are evident now. Nowadays, however, these events fit into a qualitatively different context of economic globalization and domestic standards of representatives of different civilizations living in a single information realm – the global village, which increases the potential for conflict of migration flows to a great extent.

Moderator:

Vladislav Belov, Deputy Director, Head of the Center for German Studies, Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

Speakers:

Ruth Ferrero, Professor, Complutense University of Madrid, Spain

Jean-Yves Leconte, Senator, Senate of the French Republic, France

Yury Rubinskiy, Director, Center for French Studies, Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

Franz Wolf, Director, Austrian Integration Fund, Austria

Participation in discussion:

Nataliya Kondratieva, Scientific Secretary, Director of the Center for Economic Integration, Institute of Europe, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

SEPTEMBER 6

20:15—21:15 Discussion Panel

The Clash of Values. Battlefield: Ukraine

The example of Ukraine confirms Samuel Huntington's theory of "the Clash of Civilisations". It has become a battlefield between the East and the West not only in geopolitical, but also civilisational terms. Does Ukraine remain divided? What influence on the future can its pro-European choice hold?

Moderator:

Pavel Kazarin, Journalist, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Ukraine

Speakers:

Jean-Pierre Froehly, Senior Political Adviser/Head of Director's Office (ODIHR), Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), Germany

John Grogan, Patron, Ukrainian-British City Club, United Kingdom

Ievhen Mahda, Executive Director, Center of Social Relations, Ukraine

Cecile Vaissie, Professor, Head of Russian studies department, Rennes 2 University, France

Commentator:

Massimiliano Di Pasquale, Freelance Journalist, AISU (Italian Association of Ukrainian Studies), Italy

ACCOMPANYING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 7

19:00	Pawilon 1, Tarnów	Boris Reitschuster “Putin’s Secret War – How the West Will Be Destabilised by the Kremlin” – evening with the author
20:00	Pawilon 1, Kraków	Viktor Yerofeyev “Body” – evening with the author
21:30	Pijalnia	Culture meets Business Ceremony
22:30	Nowy Dom Zdrojowy, Karpaty	About Love – From Romantic Music to Jazz. Vladyslava Vdovychenko and Vladimir Burkhardt – concert
22:30	Stary Dom Zdrojowy, Prezydencka	“The Movie about Alekseev” by Mikhail Segal – movie

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SEPTEMBER 7

09:00—10:30 plenary session

In Search of New Development Paths

The world economy is facing today major challenges: economic slowdown in China and in emerging markets, decline in oil prices, uncertainty associated with the geopolitical situation. The European Union is not spared these problems. Its member states are looking for new growth opportunities that will enable economic recovery. What measures should be reached for to achieve this? What is the recipe for success in times of agitation and uncertainty?

Moderator:

Jacek Karnowski, Editor-in-Chief of wSieci weekly, Poland

Speakers:

Dawid Jackiewicz, Minister, Ministry of Treasury, Poland

Rokas Masiulis, Minister, Ministry of Energy, Lithuania

Jan Mladek, Minister, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Czech Republic

Penelope Naas, Vice-President and District Manager for International Public Affairs and Sustainability, UPS Europe, USA

Adam Sawicki, CEO, T-Mobile Polska S.A., Poland

Christian Friis Bach, UN Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of the UN Economic Commission for Europe

SEPTEMBER 7**17:00—18:30 Plenary Session****Partners:** *Rzeczpospolita Daily*
Deloitte

Can Innovative Economy Develop in Central Europe?

In most of Central Europe countries, the pressure to implement innovation is too low. We have low employment costs that allow companies to develop easier. Our level of higher education is relatively weak and tradition of gaining profit from innovation is absent. The necessity to create conditions for progress; education, financing, legislation. The countries of Central Europe remain subject to the pressure of developed countries which purchase the best projects or attract their authors with favourable conditions for development.

CE TOP 500 Ranking Report*Speakers:***Tomasz Ochrymowicz**, Partner, Financial Advisory, Deloitte, Poland**Cezary Szymanek**, Editor-in-Chief, "Bloomberg Businessweek Polska", Poland**Can Innovative Economy Develop in Central Europe?***Moderator:***Boguslaw Chrabota**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita, Poland*Speakers:***Dominika Bettman**, Chief Financial Officer, Siemens, Poland
Jaroslaw Gowin, Minister, Deputy Prime Minister, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland**Jan Grimbrandt**, CEO and Chairman of the Board, Boson Energy SA, Luxembourg**Mark Jung**, Partner, Deloitte, Poland**Junfeng Li**, Chief Executive Officer of Huawei Poland, Huawei, China**Przemyslaw Lutkiewicz**, Vice President of the Management Board, LPP S.A., Poland**Krzysztof Skora**, President of the Board, CEO, KGHM Polska Miedz S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:45 Discussion Panel

Partner: Huawei

The Impact and Role of ICT in Creating Innovative Economy. How to Effectively Use the EU Funds to Accelerate the Broadband Network Construction?

The Government assumes that innovation is crucial in stimulating economic growth, creating jobs and improving the life quality. To achieve these ambitious goals, we need a universal access to the Internet. We set a thesis that adequate broadband network infrastructure and tight cooperation between entities may ensure those targets.

The aim of the debate is to discuss issues related to broadband network access at national and local level, which are critical in the digital transformation process. What regulations could accelerate the development of network infrastructure? What steps should be taken by operators to jointly achieve the goals of Digital Agenda for Europe?

Moderator:

Urszula Zielinska, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Janusz Kosinski, CEO, INEA, Poland

Jerzy Kwiecinski, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

Piotr Muszynski, Vice President of the Board for Operational Matters, Orange Polska, Poland

Włodzimierz Nowak, Plenipotentiary to the Minister on Cybersecurity/ Director of Cybersecurity Department, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland

Adam Sawicki, CEO, T-Mobile Polska S.A., Poland

Xinbing Tang, CTO of Huawei Fixed Network Product Line, Huawei, China

Jerzy Zurek, Director, Institute of Communications, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:30 Discussion Panel

The Civic Platform – Strategy for Poland

Poland, Europe and the world have been in the most difficult times since the end of the Cold War. The challenges of security, development, demography and climate determine the need for new strategies for Poland. The leaders of the Civic Platform, the largest Polish opposition party and a member of the European People's Party will discuss the issues in question.

Moderator:

Roza Thun, Member, European Parliament, Poland

Speakers:

Jan Olbrycht, European Parliament, Member of Parliament, Poland

Dariusz Rosati, Warsaw School of Economics, Professor, Poland

Grzegorz Schetyna, Member, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Parliament, Poland

Tomasz Siemoniak, Deputy Chairman, Parliamentary Club "Civic Platform", Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:55—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Huawei

Opportunities and Barriers to the Development of Broadband Networks in Poland

Broadband networks are one of the most important elements creating the digital economy. In order to ensure a universal access to the Internet by 2020, Poland received more than one billion Euros to be spent on Digital Poland Operational Program. Based on experience from previous years, it can be determine what barriers have been hampering the construction of broadband networks. The debate aims to identify the key issues that hinder broadband network coverage in Poland. During the session we will also propose solutions which may speed up the digital transformation in the coming future.

Moderator:

Urszula Zielinska, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Nikodem Boncza-Tomaszewski, President of the Board, Exatel S.A., Poland

Krzysztof Dyl, Vice-President, Office of Electronic Communications, Poland

Jacek Nieweglowski, Management Board Member, P4 Sp. z o.o, Poland

Yao Wang, Director of National Broadband Network, Huawei, China

SEPTEMBER 7

18:30 Special Events

Special Event. Toe to Toe: Poland – In Hope for a Better Future

Moderator:

Michal Kobosko, Director Poland Office, Atlantic Council, Poland

Speakers:

Ryszard Petru, Chairman, Nowoczesna Ryszarda Petru, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Partner: PAYBACK Poland

Like Before You Buy. Why Should a Millennial Become Your Customer?

The key success factor in the following years is to create emotions and value alignment with millennials. How to use the demographics and consumer habits to acquire and maintain customers? After revealing the results of a report by PAYBACK Poland with Bain & Company, we will present tools that help to build customer affinity – the NPS measuring the loyalty and promotion propensity and the CAT tool attaching a 'temperature' index to each customer to understand their affinity to the given brand.

Like Before You Buy. Why Should a Millennial Become Your Customer?

Speakers:

Giela Abdelwahab, Program Strategy & Advisory Manager, PAYBACK Poland, Poland

Jakub Szewczyk, Associate Consultant, Bain & Company Poland Sp. z o.o., Poland

Like Before You Buy. Why Should a Millennial Become Your Customer?

Moderator:

Michal Broniatowski, Editor-in-Chief, Forbes Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Iwona Doktorowicz-Dudek, Vice President Marketing, Brewery Company, Poland

Pawel Kastory, CEO, Corporate Profiles DDB Group, Poland
Szymon Mordasiewicz, Managing Director, NIELSEN, Poland
Michal Pieprzny, CEO, PAYBACK Poland, Poland
Kazimierz Stanczak, Partner, Bain & Company Poland Sp. z o.o., Poland
Szymon Wałach, Managing Director, PKO Bank Polski SA, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: *The Boston Consulting Group*

The Fourth Industrial Revolution. An Opportunity or a Threat for the Development of Innovative Economy?

Companies around the globe are increasingly conscious that there is a transformation on the horizon: the rise of new digital industrial technologies that will re-shape manufacturing processes, collectively known as Industry 4.0. How will this next wave of industrial evolution play out for Poland? Will it create or destroy jobs? How will companies' profiles evolve? What types of skills will be in demand? The answers to these questions are critical to business leaders and policy makers as they seek to take full advantage of the Industry 4.0. That is the process we cannot avoid and need to ensure appropriate skills within companies and workforce.

Moderator:

Marcin Jedrzejewski, Partner / Managing Director, The Boston Consulting Group, Poland

Speakers:

Peter Baudrexl, CEO, Siemens, Poland

Mariusz Bober, President of the Board, Azoty Group, Poland

Mateusz Aleksander Bonca, Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Strategy and Development Officer, Grupa LOTOS S.A., Poland

Hans-Paul Burkner, Chairman of the Board/Partner, The Boston Consulting Group, Germany

Remigiusz Nowakowski, CEO, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

Kamil Wyszowski, General Director, Global Compact Network Poland, Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Gazeta Polska*

The Impact of Foreign Investments on the Development of an Innovative Economy in Poland

Poland's breaking out of the average development trap is one of top priorities of the economic plan of the Ministry of Development. One of the options for giving impetus to economic innovation is increasing attractiveness of Poland to bring investors from new technology sectors with their know-how and gradual change of the perception of our country as a resource of cheap labour. It is important that this process will proceed mainly with benefits for Polish economy and industry.

Special guest:

Tadeusz Koscinski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Moderator:

Tomasz Sakiewicz, President of the Board, Independent Polish Publishing House, Poland

Speakers:

Robert Brunet, Researcher, University Rovira i Virgili, Spain

Krzysztof Krawczyk, Head of Poland, CVC Capital Partners Ltd., Poland

Krzysztof Krystowski, Vicepresident, Leonardo, PZL Świdnik, Poland

Jaroslav Oleszczuk, Country President, AstraZeneca Pharma Poland Sp. z o. o., Poland

Janusz Wladyczak, Vice-President of the Management Board of KUKA S.A.

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partners: *Domański Zakrzewski Palinka*
Deloitte

How to Conduct Business Safely in Poland?

During the panel we will discuss how, particularly in light of the ever-changing legal environment, to carry on business safely. Why do companies need risk-management (compliance) systems, why is prevention cheaper and what should be done in crisis situations? We will cover the problem of economic crime in Poland and reflect on how to combat corruption and irregularities in day-to-day business. Our debate will focus on "compliance and security" in the context of costs and benefits.

Moderator:

Wojciech Szlag, Journalist, Polsat News, Poland

Speakers:

Artur Czepczynski, President of the Board, ABC-Czepczyński Sp. z o.o Sp. K, Poland

Bartosz Makowicz, Viadrina Compliance Center, European University Viadrina, Poland

Jaroslav Oleszczuk, Country President, AstraZeneca Pharma Poland Sp. z o. o., Poland

Anna Partyka-Opiela, Attorney-at-law, Senior Associate, Domański Zakrzewski Palinka Law Firm, Poland

Angelina Sarota, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, PKN ORLEN S.A., Poland

Rafał Turczyn, Forensic Practice Leader, Deloitte Advisory Sp. z o.o, Poland

Kamil Wyszowski, General Director, Global Compact Network Poland, Poland

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15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: American Chamber of Commerce in Poland
 (AmCham)

Transatlantic Business Bridge

The panel will present an overview of the importance of the transatlantic business relationships, advantages of the cooperation, the Polish companies that invest in the US, what to expect from TTIP, and why economic ties ought to be strengthened.

Moderator:

Michał Kobosko, Director Poland Office, Atlantic Council, Poland

Speakers:

Patrycja Golos, VP Corporate Affairs Central and Eastern Europe, UPC Poland, Poland

Erik Plas, Managing Director, MSD Polska Sp. z o.o, Poland

Charles Ranado, Commercial Counselor, U.S. Embassy, USA

Slawomir S. Sikora, President of the Board, Citi Handlowy, Poland

Leszek Ladowski, President, Polish American Chamber of Commerce of Florida and the Americas, USA

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Poland and Ukraine: 25 Years of Neighbourship and Cooperation

Poland was the first country in the world to recognise the independence of Ukraine in 1991. The two countries have not only been good neighbors since then, but also close strategic partners. The Polish–Ukrainian bilateral relations, however, have seen new challenges due to the Russian aggression of Crimea and Donbas, the economic crisis and the historical dialogue. Does the Polish–Ukrainian partnership need a new drive?

Moderator:

Bogumila Berdychowska, Editor, “Więź” quarterly, Poland

Speakers:

Hanna Hopko, Head of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Yuri Yekhanurov, Professor, former Prime Minister, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine

Jerzy Kwiecinski, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

Ivanna Klympush–Tsintsadze, Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine for European and Euro–Atlantic Integration, Government of Ukraine, Ukraine

Marek Ziolkowski, Under–Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Emerging Europe*

The Post-Brexit Future of Foreign Direct Investment in Central and Eastern Europe

At the turn of the 21st century and before, numerous multinational companies made decisions to invest in or relocate to Central and Eastern Europe. With the global financial crisis of 2008–2009 the CEE countries suffered as a result of heightened risk aversion on the part of international investors towards the CEE region. The result of the EU referendum in the UK plunged Europe into global economic instability and uncertainty again. Will foreign direct investment in the CEE region suffer again?

Moderator:

Andrew Wrobel, Editor-in-Chief, Emerging Europe, United Kingdom

Speakers:

Katharina Arnold, Senior Manager Foreign Direct Investment, Conway Advisory GmbH, Germany

Mykhailo Dovbenko, First Deputy Head of the Committee on Financial Policy, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Kerry Hallard, Chief Executive Officer, National Outsourcing Association, United Kingdom

Robert Juodka, Managing Partner, Attorney at law, PRIMUS Attorneys at law, Lithuania

Goran Mickovski, Minister for Foreign Investments, Government, Macedonia

Natallia Nikandrava, Director of the National Agency of Investment and Privatization, Ministry of Economy, Belarus

Przemysław Kamil Rosiak, Partner Associate, KPMG in Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *NGO “Ukraine–Poland–Germany”*

Interregional and Cross-border Cooperation on the Eastern Borders of the European Union – How to Increase its Significance?

Borderland zones play a very important role in relations between countries, especially when it comes to borders between EU and its eastern neighbours. The optimal combination of capabilities and resources of border areas may increase the investment attractiveness of the regions. How can local authorities, local entrepreneurs and non-governmental organizations unite efforts in order to create and promote common projects and strengthen the cross-border dialogue?

Moderator:

Serhii Tatusiak, Chairman, NGO “Ukraine–Poland–Germany”, Ukraine

Speakers:

Dumitru-Tudor Jijie, Executive Director, Association Euroregion Siret–Prut–Nistru, Romania

Oksana Yurynets, Member of Parliament, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Jerzy Leszczynski, Marshal, Podlaskie Region’s Marshal’s Office, Poland

Oleg Matukevich, President, Foundation for Knowledge and Technologies for Small and Medium Business, Russia

Oleg Synyutka, Head, Lviv Regional State Administration, Ukraine

Commentator:

Ivan Kesoretskikh, Leading Specialist of International Projects, Institute of Spatial Planning, Development and Foreign Relations, Russia

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Centre for Eastern European Studies

Russia After Putin: What the World Should Be Ready For?

It is high time to establish a 'roadmap' for a constructive dialogue between Moscow and Warsaw. The panel will discuss a new Polish–Russian agreement on various levels: political, economic and social, as well as the potential for cooperation in the field of religious dialogue. Cross–border initiatives will be presented as examples of successful cooperation. The debate will focus on the Kaliningrad Oblast in particular, as a platform for implementation of joint projects.

Moderator:

Andrey Okara, Director, Centre for Eastern European Studies, Russia

Speakers:

Andrei Illarionov, President (IEA), Senior Fellow (Cato), IEA (Russia), Cato (USA), Russia

Boris Reitschuster, Journalist, Author, Econ Verlag, Germany

Oleh Soskin, Director, Institute of Society Transformation, Ukraine

Carina Stachetti, Senior Policy Consultant Russia, Ukraine & Eurasia, France

Krzysztof Lapinski, Member, Parliament, Poland

Commentator:

Paolo Calzini, Professor of European Studies, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS Bologna Center, Italy

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Thematic Block

Partner: Saint–Petersburg State University

Eurasian Integration and International Challenges

In 2011 the Eurasian Integration Project was declared one of Russia's foreign policy priorities during the third presidential term of Vladimir Putin. It was assumed that the Eurasian integration will advance faster than the EU's. Over the past five years, conditions for Eurasian integration have changed significantly. The economic recession in Russia, protracted armed conflicts in the post–Soviet space, exacerbated divisions in the Russia–West relations and frictions between the Eurasian integration participants greatly impacted its pace. What are the short– and medium–term prospects for this project in these circumstances?

“Big Eurasia”: The RAZVITIE (DEVELOPMENT) Trans–Eurasian Belt. A New Mega–Corridor Between Asia and Europe

Speakers:

Yury Gromyko, Director, Shiffers Insitute of Advanced Studies, Russia

Eurasian Integration and International Challenges

Moderator:

Konstantin Khudoley, Professor, Head of European Studies Department, Saint–Petersburg State University, Russia

Speakers:

Yury Gromyko, Director, Shiffers Insitute of Advanced Studies, Russia

- Xinyu Li**, Director General, The Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC), China
- Hrant Melik-Shahnazaryan**, Chairman, Center for Strategic Research, Armenia
- Paolo Raimondi**, Coordinator of the Italian Committee for the Razvitie Project, Italy
- Khasbulatov Ruslan Plekhanov**, Russian Economic University – Head of the Department of World Economy, Last Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the RSFSR
- Pavlo Zhovnirenko**, Chairman of the Board, Center for Strategic Studies in Kiev, Ukraine

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 **Thematic Block**

Partner: **Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI)**
Climate-KIC

Water, Food and the New Normal – Businesses, Authorities and Us (BAU)

Water risks are at the top of agenda for decision makers. Climate change underpins the New Normal for water. Socio-economic activities and food security in particular are affected. More and better food is demanded, yet the availability of required huge volumes of water is uncertain and expanding urban sectors requests a larger share. A fresh vision and partnerships between formal agencies, corporate sector and civil society are needed. It is time to redefine Business as Usual (BAU) into Businesses, Authorities and Us.

Water, Food and the New Normal – Businesses, Authorities and Us (BAU)

Moderator:

Jan Lundqvist, Professor, Senior Scientific Advisor, Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI), Sweden

Speakers:

Birgitta Liss Lymer, Coordinator – Source-to-Sea Platform, Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI), Sweden

Julia Patorska, Vicedirector, Deloitte, Poland

Olcay Unver, Deputy Director Land and Water Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Turkey

Daniel Zimmer, Director Sustainable Land Use, Climate-KIC, France

Water Risks and Food Wastage

Speakers:

Jan Lundqvist, Professor, Senior Scientific Advisor, Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI), Sweden

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: International Visegrad Fund

Tourism in the CEE Region

The CEE region do not belong to the most popular tourist countries in Europe. However, each year the number of foreigners visiting the Baltic Sea or the Tatra Mountains grows, also because the popular holiday destinations were affected by political, social and economic unrest and terrorism threats. Although, considering the number of the sunny days, this region cannot compete with the European leaders in tourism as Spain or Greece, it has a lot to offer. All is needed is a good marketing strategy. How to increase the visibility and explore the tourist potential of the CEE region?

Moderator:

Beata Jaczewska, Executive Director, International Visegrad Fund, Poland

Speakers:

Bohus Hlavaty, Chief Executive Officer, Tatry Mountain Resorts a.s., Slovakia

Radoslaw Jeczek, Mayor, Karpacz City Council, Poland

Dawid Lasek, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Sport and Tourism, Poland

Ludmila Poplavskaia, Deputy Director, FGBU “National Park” Curonian Spit, Russia

Zoltan Somogyi, Executive Director for Programme and Coordination, World Tourism Organization UNWTO, Hungary

Participation in discussion:

Jacek Karczewski, Vice-President for Francophonie and Euro-Mediterranean Partnership Affairs, Association France-Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

The Visegrad Group – New Challenges, New Forms of Cooperation

Participants will talk about:

- The Visegrad Group in the face of crisis and renewal of the European Union
- Forms of cooperation between the Visegrad Group states in a changed international environment
- Security and interests of the Visegrad Group states in the context of the Ukrainian–Russian conflict and migration flows
- Parliamentary Assembly of the Visegrad Group – a concept of a new institution

Moderator:

Stanisław Karczewski, Speaker, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Andrej Danko, Speaker, National Council, Slovakia

Jan Hamacek, Speaker, Chamber of Deputies, Czech Republic

Marek Kuchcinski, Speaker of Parliament, Parliament, Poland

Janos Latorcai, Deputy Speaker, National Assembly, Hungary

Premysl Sobotka, Vice–President, Senate, Czech Republic

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

The Carpathian States and its Neighbours – From Common Values to Shared Interests

The following issues will be discussed:

- Europe of the Carpathians – a geopolitical centre of Central and Eastern Europe
- Identification of common interests in the region of many nations and cultures
- Organisational diversity of cooperation in Central and Eastern Europe
- Factors fostering integration of Central and Eastern European states
- Partnership and solidarity for security and development of Central and Eastern Europe
- Role of the European Union and NATO in Central and Eastern Europe

Special guest:

Witold Waszczykowski, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland

Moderator:

Piotr Naimski, Government’s Plenipotentiary for Strategic Energy Infrastructure, Poland

Speakers:

Ana Birchall, Chairperson, Committee for European Affairs, Chamber of Deputies, Romania

Bogdan Borusewicz, Deputy Speaker, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Gerard Frost, Director, Danube Institute, Hungary

Richard Horcsik, Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs, National Assembly, Hungary

Jan Hudacky, Strategic Development Manager, RPIC Prešov, Slovakia

Ihor Nasalyk, Government of Ukraine – Minister of Energy and Coal Industry

Izabela Kloc, Member, Chairperson of the Sejm’s European Union Affairs Committee, Parliament, Poland

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15:40—16:45 Discussion Panel

ABC (Adriatic–Baltic–Black Sea). Europe of the Carpathians as the Centre of the Region Located Between the Adriatic, Baltic and Black Sea

The panelists will discuss:

- ABC and Intermarium: definition, scope, concept
- Why the region located between the Adriatic, Baltic and Black Sea was so important in the past and is still very significant nowadays?
- What unites and what divides the countries of this region?
- What are the threats for political and military security of the region?
- In which ways can individual countries of the region cooperate with one another?
- The ABC (Adriatic–Baltic–Black Sea) region vs. military and political powers of the modern world

Special guest:

Krzysztof Szczerski, Secretary of State, Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Moderator:

Jan Malicki, Director, Centre for East European Studies, Warsaw University, Poland

Speakers:

Loreta Graužinienė, Speaker, Seimas, Lithuania

Hanna Hopko, Head of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Zanda Kalnina–Lukasevica, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvia

Zsolt Nemeth, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, National Assembly, Hungary

Ryszard Terlecki, Vice Speaker, Parliament, Poland

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16:50—18:00 Discussion Panel

Intellectual Facets of Central and Eastern Europe

The participants will talk about:

- Search for identity of Central and Eastern Europe
- Blueprints for shaping international environment in Central and Eastern Europe (coalitions, organisations, alliances)
- Influence of Germany and Russia on the status of Central and Eastern Europe
- Role of Christianity in the modern facet of Central and Eastern Europe
- Cultural and ethnic diversity in Central and Eastern Europe: richness or threat
- Continuation and change in Central and Eastern Europe
- Common symbols, myths and archetypes in Central and Eastern Europe
- Central and Eastern Europe in the face of Western European civilisation impacts

Moderator:

Igor Tsependa, Rector, The Vasyl Stefanyk Precarpathian National University, Ukraine

Speakers:

Markus Krzoska, Researcher, Justus–Liebig–University Gießen, Germany

Franciszek Longchamps de Berier, Professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland

Pavol Macala, Member of Parliament, Scientific Association “Personalism”, Slovakia

Markiyany Malskyy, Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, The Ivan Franko National University Lviv, Ukraine

Alexander Tomsy, Managing Director, Leda Publishers s.r.o, Czech Republic

Franjo Topic, Chairman, HKD Napredak, Croatia

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10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Partner: *International Visegrad Fund*

What Unites and What Divides – Security Cooperation in CEE

Russia's annexation of the Crimea and the ongoing conflict in Donbas caused ambivalent reactions in Central Europe. The differences relate primarily to the assessment of the role of the Kremlin in these events, the imposition of the sanctions on Russia by the EU and the protection of the respective economic interests of the member states. The countries in the region generally do not want to pay for the consequences of the dispute between the EU and Russia. Central European countries see also the threats from the crisis migration, and their position on this issue seems to be consistent. Is there still a chance that the countries of Central Europe can speak with one voice and adopt a common strategy for security in the region?

Defense Resources Management System V4

Speakers:

Mariusz Kordowski, National Centre for Strategic Studies,
Director, Poland

Bohdan Pac, National Centre for Strategic Studies, Expert,
Poland

What Unites and What Divides – Security Cooperation in CEE

Moderator:

Danilo Taino, Special Correspondent, Corriere della Sera, Italy

Speakers:

Hannes Hanso, Minister, Ministry of Defence, Estonia
Sebastian Huluban, State Adviser, National Security
Department, Presidency of Romania, Romania

Petro Koci, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Defence, Albania
Antoni Macierewicz, Ministry of National Defence, Minister,
Poland

Zsolt Nemeth, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee,
National Assembly, Hungary

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: NATO

NATO After Warsaw Summit. Which Way Forward?

The North Atlantic Alliance is facing a number of challenges. Russia's relentless drive to expand its sphere of influence, the ever-growing destabilisation in the Middle East, as well as issues related to terrorism, cyber-security and hybrid war are on the agenda. NATO must find ways to respond to these threats. NATO's Summit in Warsaw last July afforded an excellent opportunity to discuss and give a new impetus to cooperation within the Alliance. Was it really – as announced – a breakthrough one?

Moderator:

Fabrice Pothier, Non-resident Senior Fellow, Brent Scowcroft Centre on International Security, Atlantic Council, France

Speakers:

Matthew Bryza, Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council of the United States, USA

Timo S. Koster, Director of the Defense Policy and Capabilities, NATO, Belgium

Olivier Landour, Director for Europe, North America and Multilateral Affairs, Ministry of Defence, France

Christoph Schwegmann, Senior Defence Advisor, Federal Foreign Office, Germany

Commentator:

Eoin Micheal McNamara, Research Fellow, International Relations Department, University of Tartu, Estonia

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: Limes

Confrontation or Cooperation – Should NATO and Russia Engage in a New Dialogue?

Institutional relations between NATO and Russia have been suspended since the annexation of the Crimea in 2014 and the war in Eastern Ukraine. However, the expansion of ISIS and the migration crisis cause many political leaders to change their minds and NATO's Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg announced that the Alliance is ready for a renewal of "constructive talks" with Russia. Is the cooperation between NATO and Russia only useful or rather necessary? What are the prospects for this relationship?

Moderator:

Dario Fabbri, Editorial Board Member, Limes, Italian Review of Geopolitics, Italy

Speakers:

Oleg Barna, Deputy, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Vincenzo Camporini, Vice President, International Affairs Institute, Italy

Dmitry Ofitserov-Belskiy, Dean of Social Sciences Faculty, Associate Professor, Scientific Research University Higher School of Economics, Russia

Jean-Arthur Regibeau, Political Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Institutional Reforms, Belgium

Greg Simons, Senior Researcher, Uppsala University, Sweden

Alexandr Vondra, Former Minister of Defence (2010–2012), Director, CEVRO Institute, Center for Transatlantic Relations, Czech Republic

Commentator:

Armen Minasyan, Deputy Director, Information and PR Center of the Administration of the President, Armenia

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Thematic Block

Securing Stability in the Mediterranean – What Should the West Do?

Destabilisation of the “soft underbelly of Europe”, which is the Mediterranean Sea region, is the most serious threat to the existence of the European system since decades. The wars in Syria, Iraq and Libya; the unrest in Egypt, Tunisia, or even the richer countries of the Arabian Peninsula mean that hundreds of thousands of people now suffer at Europe’s doorstep. What actions should be taken by Europe and the wider West to stabilise the situation? Is the space and security framework defined by the Barcelona Process sufficient to deal with strategic issues of this magnitude? How to maintain appropriate long-term living conditions in failed states?

Presentation:

Manuel Manonelles, Director General for Multilateral and European Affairs, Regional Government of Catalonia, Spain

Moderator:

Sasha Toperich, Senior Fellow, Center for Transatlantic Relations SAIS, USA

Speakers:

Rasha Aljoudy, Saudi Arabia Specialist, Training Programme Supervisor, Orient Research Centre, United Arab Emirates

Thomas Guerber, Director, Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces (DCAF), Switzerland

Harold Hyman, Journalist, Head of Foreign Desk, Opinion Internationale, France

Roman Polko, Major General, General Staff of the Polish Armed Forces, Poland

Ziyad Raouf, The Representative Of Kurdistan Regional Government To Poland, Kurdistan Regional Government, Kurdistan Region

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Energy Security – Global Trends vs. Regional Conditions

EU Energy Security Strategy aims to address long-term security of supply through increasing energy efficiency, increasing energy production in the EU and diversifying supplier countries and routes, completing the internal energy market and building missing infrastructure links, speaking with one voice in external energy policy and strengthening solidarity mechanisms. Is Central and Eastern Europe progressing in achieving these goals? What kind of regional cooperation is needed to benefit from new regional and world energy architecture and how to prevent market distortion by dominating players?

Moderator:

Jaroslav Neverovic, Chairman, Polish and Lithuanian Chamber of Commerce, Lithuania

Speakers:

Mantas Bartuška, CEO, SC Klaipėdos nafta, Lithuania

Kimball Chen, Chairman, Energy Transportation Group (ETG), USA

Halyna Karp, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Energy and Coal Industry, Ukraine

Ando Leppiman, Undersecretary, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communication, Estonia

Participation in discussion:

Zbigniew Kasztelewicz, Head of Surface Mining Department, AGH University of Science and Technology in Cracow, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

18:40 Special Events

Partner: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland

NATO: Rethink Realign React. Tackling Security Challenges Together

This session is a special meeting of the authors of the “NATO: Rethink Realign React”. The publication’s goal was to promote Poland’s input into building Euro–Atlantic security after 1989 and it was issued on the eve of the Warsaw NATO Summit in July 2016. The debate will mirror the subjects of the chapters: new strategies for the NATO’s Eastern Flank, tackling cyber and hybrid warfare, building common responses to the threats like the Ukrainian Crisis or the Black Sea strategic gambles.

Moderator:

Jeffrey Larsen, Director of Research, NATO Defense College, USA

Speakers:

François Lafond, President, Blue Networks and Opportunities, France

Phillip Petersen, Vice President for Studies, The Potomac Foundation, USA

Tim Stuchtey, Executive Director, Brandenburg Institute for Society and Security (BIGS), Germany

Greta Monika Tuckute, Director, Center for Geopolitical Studies, Lithuania

Przemysław Zurawski Vel Grajewski, Counsellor of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: Ministry of Energy

New Energy Market Design

This year's Economic Forum in Krynica is a great platform for discussing the possible solutions for the energy market in relation to the Visegrad Group and the Baltic States. The ministers responsible for energy and senior officials from the Visegrad Group and the Baltic States have been invited to the panel. The panel participants will have the opportunity to reflect on the desired model of the market in our region and across the EU.

*Moderator:***Paweł Czuryło**, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Interia.pl S.A., Poland*Speakers:***Andras Aradszki**, Minister of State for Energy Affairs, Ministry for National Development, Hungary**Vojtech Ferencz**, State Secretary, Ministry of Economy, Slovakia**Rokas Masiulis**, Minister, Ministry of Energy, Lithuania**Jan Mladek**, Minister, Ministry of Industry and Trade, Czech Republic**Krzysztof Tchorzewski**, Minister, Ministry of Energy, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: Danfoss

How to Untap the Potential of Energy Efficiency?

Buildings account for around 40% of global energy use and a 1/3 of the world's greenhouse gas emissions making them a high-impact area for urgent mitigation action. Energy efficiency is one of the critical points of such action plan.

It is not a question of technology any longer. What we need is ambitious policies to enable its uptake. A clear market transformation strategy that can identify barriers and overcome them requires integrated implementation of policy packages including Building Energy Codes, Standards, Rating & Disclosure, Finance & Incentives, Industry & Community Actions.

*Moderator:***Andrzej Kassenberg**, Co-founder, Expert of Sustainable Development Policy, Institute for Sustainable Development, Poland*Speakers:***John Dulac**, Energy Analyst, International Energy Agency (IEA), France**Szymon Firlag**, Senior Advisor, Buildings Performance Institute Europe (BPIE), Poland**Adam Jedrzejczak**, President of the Board, Danfoss, Poland**Maryke Van Staden**, Manager of ICLEI's Low Carbon City Agenda and Director of the carbon Center, ICLEI, Local Governments for Sustainability, Germany

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Fuelling a Growing Economy and Securing Energy Supply with LNG

Forecasts show that the European gas consumption will increase between 2014 and 2020. In 2040, gas will become the second largest fuel in the global fossil fuel mix. Opening of the LNG terminal in Swinoujscie is key to ensuring the Polish energy security and is an important milestone in the future development of the Polish LNG market. However, there is still a lot that needs to be done in order to develop a competitive gas market in the region.

Moderator:

Henry Foy, Central Europe Correspondent, Financial Times, Poland

Speakers:

Chris Johnson, General Manager, Europe & Africa, Shell International E&P BV, United Kingdom

Elzbieta Piskorz, Director of the Department, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Andrzej Sikora, CEO/President, Insitute Of Energy Studies, Poland

Artur Zawartko, Vice–President of the Management Board, GAZ–SYSTEM, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: EY

Regulations or Innovations? What Does Really Change the Energy Sector?

Innovations and new technologies create both opportunities and threats for the development of the energy sector which future also depends on the strict regulatory framework. The energy sector is constantly subject to changes. What shapes them? Has the market liberalization contributed to the innovations and new technologies? Or maybe innovations and new technologies imply changes to regulations? During the panel we will discuss, taking for example electric cars, smart grids, the internet of things or new products, to what extent innovations in the energy sector increase the efficiency (but also threaten its security), and to what extent they become the necessity for its development. Which regulations have a positive influence on innovations?

Moderator:

Jaroslaw Wajer, Partner, EY, Poland

Speakers:

Maciej Bando, President, Energy Regulatory Office, Poland

Boleslaw Jankowski, Vice–President for Trading, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna S.A., Poland

Michal Kurtyka, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Piotr Zawistowski, Vice–President of the Management Board for Customer and Commercial Affairs, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: PERN S.A.

Energy Security and New Sources of Petroleum for Central Europe in the Context of Changes on the Global Petroleum Market

Improving the safety of raw materials supply, which is one of the government's priorities, is facilitated by the situation on the global market, in particular in the petroleum sector. The panel will serve as an opportunity to discuss from where and for how much it is worth to import petroleum to Poland. The participants will attempt to answer questions regarding infrastructural and technological capacities regarding import of petroleum from outside of Russia, the experience in this area until now and the position of this strategic supplier from a long-term perspective as well as the effectiveness of the measures undertaken until now and aimed at diversification of the sources of supply.

*Moderator:***Agnieszka Lakoma**, Rzeczpospolita, Journalist, Poland*Speakers:***Tomasz Chmal**, Partner, White & Case, Poland**Marcin Jastrzebski**, Vice-President of the Management Board, Chief Exploration and Production Officer, Grupa LOTOS S.A., Poland**Mirosław Kochalski**, Vice President of the Management Board, Corporate Affairs, PKN ORLEN S.A., Poland**Michał Kurtyka**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland**Igor Wasilewski**, President of the Board, PERN S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Driving innovations. PLN 250 mln for New Solutions in the Automobile Industry

*Speakers:***Jarosław Gowin**, Minister, Deputy Prime Minister, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland**Dariusz Michalak**, Deputy CEO, Solaris Bus & Coach S.A., Poland**Peter Stracar**, CEO Central and Eastern Europe, General Electric International, Czech Republic

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Warsaw*

Central Europe – Heart of Innovations

Central Europe needs to speed up the process of transformation and its ability to adapt to the new trends. The only way to switch the region's economy on the new track is investing in innovative solutions. It is not only about ideas, but ideas and their implementation. Bringing innovation into traditional industries is the key to success and ensures the competitiveness of the CEE region. The panelists will focus on the possible areas of cooperation among V4 countries in digitizing of industry, initiating new technologies, new business models, and upscaling our companies. One of the key issues is to ensure the regional synergy between the public administration and civil society, strong and good governance. The panelists will share their ideas on how to speed up the process of creation of the V4 Innovative Hub.

Moderator:

Zuzana Nehajova, Director General for Innovation and Business Environment, Ministry of Economy, Slovakia

Speakers:

Zoltan Csefalvay, Permanent Representative, Permanent Delegation of Hungary to the OECD and UNESCO, Hungary

Jan Jilek, CEO, Fistnet d.o.o., Croatia

Max Lemke, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Research and Innovation, Belgium

Mateusz Litewski, Public Policy Central & Eastern Europe, Uber, Poland

Petr Ocko, Chairman, Technology Agency of the Czech Republic (TACR), Czech Republic

Anna-Marie Vilamovska, Senior Advisor for Innovation Policy, Office of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria, Bulgaria

Commentator:

Roman Postoev, Economic Advisor of the Department of Investment Policy, Kiemerowski District Administration, Russia

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: Thinktankcyfrowy.pl

Digital Highways and Data Driven Economy – 2 Cornerstones for a Sustainable Growth

Building an innovative economy requires, among many actions, two conditions to be fulfilled: a better access to high speed internet and the unleash of the potential of data driven solutions. These are the two pillars of every modern economy, necessary to increase its competitiveness, be it at local or at global level. Creating conditions for higher investments in broadband infrastructure, the so-called digital highways giving access to the benefits of the digital world, and developing a safe environment to make the full use of the data driven economy, including building trust among digital users are two key challenges the Polish economy is facing.

Special guest:

Jarosław Gowin, Minister, Deputy Prime Minister, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland

Moderator:

Nino Džikija, Editor in Chief, INN Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Piotr Dardzinski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland

Patrycja Golos, VP Corporate Affairs Central and Eastern Europe, UPC Poland, Poland

Piotr Marczuk, Government Affairs Director CEE, Microsoft, Poland

Jakub Turowski, Head of Public Policy for Poland & Baltics, Facebook, Poland

Lukasz Wejchert, Founder, Dirlango Sp. z o.o, Poland

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: [BOSON ENERGY SA](http://BOSONENERGY.SA)

Building an Internet of Purpose to Deliver Performance Over Lifetime

The number of connected devices is supposed to grow to 25–50 billion by 2020. And while consumer applications remain at the forefront the Internet of Things (IoT), there is much more potential and utility to be leveraged beyond making life for consumers convenient, beyond gathering massive amounts of data on everything and drown in the oceans of data produced by an 'Internet of Everything'. We need visions, strategies, purpose and knowledge to drive what we measure, how we collect, analyze, model, and learn from data, we need a systemic approach; and THAT will allow us to change industrial design and manufacturing quality, and build performance delivery to circularity quality far beyond what we can imagine today.

Moderator:

Guy Pross, Partner, KuanRoad Group, Israel

Speakers:

Gilad Cohen, CEO, Imubit, USA

Stefano da Empoli, President, Institute for Competitiveness (I-Com), Italy

Liran Dor, CTO, Boson Energy SA, Luxembourg

Eva Gladek, Founder and CEO, Metabolic, The Netherlands

Justin Lee, COO, ICTK, South Korea

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15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: Data Techno Park Ltd.

Digital Medicine vs. Smart Specialisations

Medical services, ICT are research and innovation areas, with huge potential for development, also in the economic efficiency context. Civilization and demographic changes will intensify this trend. That is why digital medicine is the key to the development of new technologies and R&D for the purposes of e-health, telemedicine, bioinformatics, gene therapy etc. Individualization and care coordination are also crucial to ensure more effective use of resources.

Moderator:

Wojciech Surmacz, Editor-in-Chief, Gazeta Bankowa, Polish Financial Weekly, Poland

Speakers:

Mariusz Chocholek, CEO, Integrated Solutions, Poland

Marek Girek, CEO, Data Techno Park Sp. z o.o, Poland

Marcin Wegrzyniak, Director, Centre for Health Information Systems, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—12:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: Sluzba Zdrowia 3.0.

Cardiovascular Diseases – Civilisational Challenges

Sudden cardiac arrest is still the leading cause of death in the world. Disabilities of people who suffer from heart diseases or post-stroke complications result in not only clinical but also social and economic consequences. The costs of cardiovascular diseases are growing at a fast rate not only due to their treatment, but also because of productivity loss and disability of patients.

Moderator:

Renata Furman, Editor, Journalist, Sanitas Sp. z o.o, Poland

Speakers:

Jakub Gierczynski, Expert, The National Institute of Public Health – National Institute of Hygiene (NIPH – NIH), Poland

Piotr Hoffman, President, Polskie Towarzystwo Kardiologiczne, Poland

Jarosław Kaźmierczak, National Consultant in the field of cardiology, Laboratory of Clinical Electrophysiology Cardiology PUM

Tomasz Latos, Member, Parliament, Poland

Maciej Milkowski, Vice President, National Health Fund, Poland

Jarosław Pinkas, Secretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland
Piotr Ponikowski, Head of Cardiology, Wrocławski 4. Wojskowy Szpital Kliniczny z Polikliniką

Janina Stepinska, Asocjacja Intensywnej Opieki Kardiologicznej Europejskiego Towarzystwa Kardiologicznego (ACCA ESC), Member of the Board, Poland

Agnieszka Słowik, Jagiellonian University Medical College, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:10—13:30 Discussion Panel

Partners: EY

LUX MED Group

Coordinated Healthcare – Impact on Quality and Availability of Services

Demographic trends and new technologies put health budgets under constant pressure. New solutions improving the quality of therapies at affordable costs are still sought. Is the implementation of coordinated healthcare the right choice? What products can soon appear on the market and what effects on the economy are to be expected? How does one use the potential of telemedicine and prevention, and how should the effects of such innovations be measured? These questions will be the focus of attention during the discussion about the rapidly developing area of coordinated healthcare.

*Moderator:***Jakub Szulc**, Director, EY, Poland*Speakers:***Michał Kepowicz**, External Relations Director, Philips, Poland**Adam Kozierkiewicz**, Healthcare Expert, Poland**Niti Pall**, Medical Director and Director of Healthcare Innovation, BUPA, United Kingdom**Anna Rulkiewicz**, CEO, LUX MED Group, Poland**Piotr Warczynski**, Podsekretarz Stanu, Ministry of Health, Poland**Andrzej Zapasnik**, Expert, Federacja Związków Pracodawców Ochrony Zdrowia Porozumienie Zielonogórskie, Poland**Wojciech Zawalski**, Health Care Services Department Director, National Health Fund, Poland

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13:40—15:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: Sluzba Zdrowia 3.0.

Eye Diseases – Health and Social Problem

The national healthcare spending on the treatment of patients aged 65 and more are growing together with demographic ageing. At the moment, they are three times higher than the spending on people in the productive age group. However, many elementary healthcare needs of elderly Poles aren't satisfied. Treatment of patients with eye diseases makes a good example. The social costs of these diseases resulting from the functional limitation and degradation of quality of life are particularly high. Today, already 1.5 million Poles, i.e. every fourth person with an identified disability, is blind or visually impaired.

*Moderator:***Renata Furman**, Editor, Journalist, Sanitas Sp. z o.o, Poland*Speakers:***Jakub Gierczynski**, Expert, The National Institute of Public Health – National Institute of Hygiene (NIPH – NIH), Poland**Tomasz Latos**, Member, Parliament, Poland**Katarzyna Michalska-Malecka**, Assistant Professor, Medical University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland**Maciej Milkowski**, Vice President, National Health Fund, Poland**Marek Rekas**, Military Institute of Medicine, Poland**Mirosław Wysocki**, Director, The National Institute of Public Health – National Institute of Hygiene (NIPH – NIH), Poland**Krzysztof Landa**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland

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15:10—16:30 Discussion Panel

Partners: *Employers of Poland*
LUX MED Group

The Role of Employers in the Public Health System

Employees are an important component in the health care system whose potential and actual achievements go beyond routine control of health risks at work. Most enterprises and entrepreneurs have a vested interest in making sure that their employees are in good health. A healthy employee translates into higher effectiveness, operational continuity and sustainable growth. Nowadays employer-financed medical care comprises occupational medicine, preventive health care, primary care, diagnostics and specialized care. The aim of this panel is to develop mechanisms which make better use of employers' achievements in the health care system.

Moderator:

Małgorzata Galazka-Sobotka, Head of the Center of Post-graduate Studies, Lazarski University, Poland

Speakers:

Tjitte Alkema, General Secretary, European Hospital and Healthcare Employers' Association (HOSPEEM), Belgium

Jacek Krajewski, President, Federacja Związków Pracodawców Ochrony Zdrowia Porozumienie Zielonogórskie, Poland

Andrzej Madrala, President of the Board, Medical Center Mavit Ltd., Poland

Andrzej Marcinkiewicz, Head of Health Policy Unit, Instytut Medycyny Pracy im. prof. J.Nofera, Poland

Jarosław Pinkas, Secretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland

Monika Roznerska, ArcelorMittal Poland, HR director, Poland

Anna Rulkiewicz, CEO, LUX MED Group, Poland

Stanisław Szwed, Secretary of State, Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy, Poland

Commentator:

Irakli Pavlenishvili, Chairman of Healthcare and Social Issues Commission, Tbilisi City Municipal Assembly, Georgia

SEPTEMBER 7

18:40—20:00 Thematic Block

Partner: **Employers' Union of Innovative Pharmaceutical Companies INFARMA**

Investing in Medicine: The Pharmaceutical Industry's Contribution to a Modern Economy

Creation of innovative solutions is the most desirable course of development for the economy, and one which ensures its strength and competitiveness on the global market. Innovation is also a key element of an effective healthcare system. We should exploit its full potential when building a rational and sustainable drug policy in order to ensure synergy between these aspects. This, however, requires a clear definition of "healthcare innovation" and a substantive discussion on the benefits of breakthrough therapies for patients and their impact on the payer's budget and on public finances.

Investing in Medicine: The Pharmaceutical Industry's Contribution to a Modern Economy

Moderator:

Stefan Boguslawski, Managing Partner, Sequence Ltd, Poland

Speakers:

Małgorzata Galazka-Sobotka, Head of the Center of Post-graduate Studies, Lazarski University, Expert the initiative "Głosuję na Zdrowie", Poland

Magdalena Kruszewska, Member of the Board, The Employers' Union of Innovative Pharmaceutical Companies INFARMA, Poland

Wojciech Matusewicz, President, The Agency for Health Technology Assessment and Tariff System (AOTMiT), Poland

Jan Stanilko, Deputy Director of the Department of Innovations, Ministry of Development, Poland
Magdalena Władysiuk, Vice President, HTA Consulting, Poland
Wojciech Zawalski, Health Care Services Department Director, National Health Fund, Poland
Krzysztof Landa, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland

The Pharmaceutical Industry and National Economy Development – the Chain of Dependence

Speakers:

Stefan Bogusławski, Managing Partner, Sequence Ltd, Poland

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20:20—21:20 Discussion Panel

**The Availability of Treatments for
Chronic Diseases – A Cost or Investment
– As Illustrated by an Example of Multiple
Sclerosis Patients**

Multiple sclerosis is one of the most common autoimmune diseases of the central nervous system. Not only does it deteriorate health, but it also drastically changes the lives of patients. In many cases MS leads to job loss, which for patients automatically means being pushed aside to the fringes of society. Half a billion zlotys – these are cumulative indirect and social costs in Poland connected to loss of productivity of patients who become qualified for disablement benefit and receive sickness benefit. MS generates losses for the economy on the micro- and macroeconomic level. Is it necessary?

Moderator:

Witold Laskowski, President of the Board, Journalist, Sanitas
Sp. z o.o, Poland

Speakers:

Jerzy Kotowicz, Vice-Chairman of the Medical Advisory
Board Polish Multiple Sclerosis Society; Member of the Board
and President of the Mazovian Polish Red Cross; Consultant
neurologist Academic Medical Center, Academic Center of
Medicine, Poland

Maciej Milkowski, Vice President, National Health Fund,
Poland

Tomasz Polec, Polish Society of Multiple Sclerosis, President,
Poland

Jarosław Sławek, Head of the Neurological Department and
Stroke, St. Albert Hospital in Gdansk, Poland

Mirosław Wysocki, Director, The National Institute of Public
Health – National Institute of Hygiene (NIPH – NIH), Poland
Krzysztof Landa, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Health,
Poland

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: Senate of the Republic of Poland

Economic Emigration – An Opportunity or A Threat?

Is economic migration a migration for good? Polish identity among migrants and their children. How does Poland benefit from migration? Poles migrate to the West, while the citizens of the post–Soviet East migrate to Poland. Will the Polish minority in Belarus and Ukraine therefore finally cease to exist?

Moderator:

Jerzy Haszczyński, Head of International Department, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Maciej Duszczyk, Vice–Rector, Warsaw University, Poland

Michał Dworczyk, Member, Parliament, Poland

Leszek Ladowski, President, Polish American Chamber of Commerce of Florida and the Americas, USA

Artur Ludkowski, Director, The Foundation of Charity and Aid “The Polish Culture House in Vilnius”, Lithuania

Małgorzata McKane, Director, Merseyside Polonia, United Kingdom

Andre Pakulski, Chairman, Polonia International, Belgium

Andrey Pochobut, Member of the Supervisory Board, Union of Poles in Belarus, Belarus

Jerzy Wojcicki, Board member, Union of Poles in Ukraine, Ukraine

Sławomir Wróbel, Chairman, Great Poland, United Kingdom

Commentator:

Stanisław Aloszko, Chairman, Foundation of Polish Community in France, France

Adam Gajkowski, President, Nasza Polonia Association, Australia

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: Senate of the Republic of Poland

What Unites Poles Abroad: the Church, the Language, the Culture?

Discussion on the factors strengthening the sense of national identity among Polish communities around the world – an attempt at diagnosis. Fields and forms of coordination of activities between institutions of the Polish state, and the Polish community abroad. How can Polish community be built effectively in the modern world?

Moderator:

Michał Karnowski, Member of the Board, Fratria Ltd., Poland

Speakers:

Ewa Babiarz, Secretary of the Executive Committee, The Pilsudski Institute of America, Poland

Małgorzata Bugaj–Martynowska, Head Teacher, Helena Modrzejewska Polish School in London, United Kingdom

Roman Dzwonkowski, Retired professor, Society of the Catholic Apostolate, Poland

Adam Kwiatkowski, Secretary of State – Chief of the Cabinet of the President, Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Marta Szutkowska–Kiszkiel, President, Polish Educational Society in Ireland, Ireland

Commentator:

Emilia Chmielowa, President, Federation of Polish Organisations in Ukraine, Ukraine

Zdzisław Malczewski, Rector of the Polish Catholic Mission, Polish Catholic Mission in Brazil, Brazil

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partners: *Senate of the Republic of Poland*
Do Rzeczy Weekly

The Role of the Polish Community Abroad in Shaping the Image of Poland

Is Poland able to benefit from the presence of about 20 million Poles and people of Polish descent living abroad? Are they active in defending the good name of Poland? Is Polish community abroad an effective “lobbyist for Polish interests” in their country of residence? The aim of the panel is to draw attention to the issue of involvement of Polish community in building a positive image of Poland abroad. It is a multidimensional challenge that encompasses promoting Polish history and tradition, combatting false stereotypes about Poland, and highlighting business and scientific achievements.

Moderator:

Edyta Holdynska, Journalist, Do Rzeczy Weekly, Poland

Speakers:

Katy Carr, Musician, United Kingdom

Halina Csucs, Deputy, Polish Affairs Spokesman, Hungarian National Assembly, Hungary

Jan Dziedziczak, Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Janina Sagatowska, Senator, President of the Commission of Connection with Polish Community Abroad, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Maciej Swirski, President, Fundacja Reduta Dobrego Imienia, Polska Liga przeciw Zniesławieniom, Poland

Maria Szonert Binienda, Vice President of Polish Affairs, The Polish American Congress, USA

Sławomir Wróbel, Chairman, Great Poland, United Kingdom

Commentator:

Ewa Stasinowska, Chairman, Gazeta Polska Club, The Netherlands

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14:25—16:00 Discussion Panel

Partner: Senate of the Republic of Poland

How to Succeed Abroad? The Success of Poles Abroad Means the Success of Poland

Access to new technologies, information, and exchange of experiences are conducive to success in business. The modern world offers new prospects for economic development, but also poses new challenges and makes competition fiercer. The economic and political transformation has freed the entrepreneurial potential of Poles, but it has also revealed the necessity to make up for the time that was lost in the communist era. Have Poles managed to seize the opportunity and develop their potential? Have they found a niche on the global market? The answer can be found in many success stories of our compatriots in Poland and in the world. These are Poland's successes, which can be multiplied through cooperation with business circles within the Polish community abroad.

Moderator:

Artur Warzocha, Senator, Vice-president of the Commission of Connection with Polish Community Abroad, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Krzysztof Bankiewicz, Professor, Director, Interventional Neuro Center, University of California, USA

Bogdan Chmielewski, President & CEO, Polish & Slavic Federal Credit Union, USA

Piotr Ciarkowski, President, International Association of Polish Entrepreneurs, Ukraine

Ireneusz Derek, Co-owner & CEO, Plastics ukraina Ltd., Ukraine

Jan Wojciech Kuban, President, Polish-American Foundation for Education and Economic Development, Poland

Wiesław Nowiński, Professor, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University, Poland

Waldemar Priebe, Professor, The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center Houston, USA

Marek Rudnicki, Professor of Surgery, University of Illinois, USA

Ludwik Wnękowicz, President, Doma Export Co.Inc., USA

Mirosław Zabek, Neurosurger Branches Team, Clinic Head, Mazowiecki Szpital Wojewodzki w Warszawie Sp. z o.o, Poland

Commentator:

Tadeusz Adam Pilat, President, Union of Polish Communities in Europe, Sweden

Financing the development of the region and the municipality

Polish regions are among the most unevenly developed in the European Union. It is therefore necessary to create a regional policy that would help reduce existing disparities both in Polish and other EU regions. An effective implementation of development policy requires the adequate sources of financing measures taken both by public authorities and private entities.

Moderator:

Zdzisław Majewski, WSPOLNOTA, Poland

Speakers:

Uriel Bertran, Professor, University of Barcelona, Spain

Marcel Ionescu-Heroiu, Senior Urban Development
Specialist, The World Bank, Romania

Danuta Kaminska, Treasurer, Katowice City Council, Poland

Bogusław Kosmider, Chairman, Krakow City Council, Poland

Stanisław Lipinski, Treasurer, Szczecin City Council, Poland

The Regions Forum takes place in Krynica-Zdrój.
Certain recreational events will be held in Muszyna.

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: Economy Consultants Group TOR

Transport in the City of the Future

The key to solving transport problems is systemic nature of communication in the cities. There should be special focus on the relationship taking place in the whole transport system, as well as related systems. Big IT companies are now implementing solutions that meet these assumptions.

Moderator:

Lukasz Malinowski, Editor-in-Chief, Economy Consultants Group TOR, Poland

Speakers:

Maciej Bluj, Deputy Mayor, Wroclaw City Council, Poland

Adrian Furgalski, Vice President of the Board/President of the Board, Economy Consultants Group TOR/ Railway Business Forum, Poland

Ralph Gambetta, General Secretary, Calypso Networks Association, Belgium

Roberto Maldacea, General Manager, NEV Mobility Europe, Neighbour Electric Mobility & Smart Cities, Italy

Jacek Wojciechowicz, Deputy Mayor, City of Warsaw, Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

European Funds – A Polish Success in the Implementation Process

Over 10 years of using European funds and 10 years of dynamic changes in Poland. Today's Poland is a democratic country with an established position in the EU and also is the country with success in the field of economy. Undoubtedly this is the result of decentralization and changes that have been made over the years in the local administration. For the disbursement of EU funds, it is important to take into account the territorial approach. Success can be achieved if it does not ignore the specifics of the country, region or local potential.

Moderator:

Grzegorz Sadowski, Wprost Magazine, Poland

Speakers:

Andrea Gallo, Director, FASI.biz, Italy

Stanisław Gawłowski, Member, Parliament, Poland

Adam Hamryszczak, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Izabela Kloc, Member, Chairperson of the Sejm's European Union Affairs Committee, Parliament, Poland

Tadeusz Truskolaski, Mayor, Municipal Office in Białystok, Poland

Michał Turczyk, Director, Deloitte Advisory Sp. z o.o., Poland

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Institute for Social Cases*

**The Social Clauses in Public Contracts
– Benefits for Public Institutions, Companies
and Citizens**

Public administration and local authorities and their subordinated institutions spend on public procurements about PLN 160 billion per year and this amount is growing. So far, only 2% of them take into account the social clauses. To facilitate their implementation a public procurement law is adapted. What are the benefits for public institutions that use social clauses? What should a company remember about that wants to join a tender that contains social clauses? Are social clauses short-lived trends or an important element of Polish economy?

*Moderator:***Rafal Gorski**, President of the Board, Institute for Social Cases, Poland*Speakers:***Waclaw Jacek Adamczyk**, Mayor, Biala Rawska City Council, Poland**Krzysztof Kwiatkowski**, President, Supreme Audit Office (NIK), Poland**Witaly Perov**, Head of the Department of Techno-Economic Systems, Plekhanov Russian Economic University, Russia**Grzegorz Piskalski**, President of the Board, CentrumCSR.PL Foundation, Poland**Małgorzata Streciwilk**, President, Public Procurement Office, Poland*Participation in discussion:***Robert Kwiatkowski**, President of Board, State Fund for Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons, Poland

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15:35—16:50 Thematic Block

**“Host City” – Benefits of Organising
International Events**

Preparing and launching major world events is a huge challenge and a unique opportunity to achieve success for the organisers of a project. Economic and social benefits aside, organising the most important events creates an opportunity to promote on a massive scale, and consequently makes it possible to attract new investors. Recent years have revealed the organisational potential of Polish cities. What is the secret behind good organisation? Who else wins on being a host apart from the city?

**“Host City”, Benefits of Organising International
Events***Moderator:***Robert Stepowski**, Editor in Chief, marketingmiejsca.com.pl, Poland*Speakers:***Katarzyna Król**, Deputy Mayor, Krakow City Council, Poland**Pawel Majewski**, Undersecretary of State, Chancellery of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, Poland**Volodymyr Prokopiv**, Deputy Mayor, Kyiv City State Administration, Ukraine**Dariusz Resko**, Mayor, Municipality of Krynica-Zdroj, Poland**Helen Sildna**, Head, Tallinn Music Week, Estonia

Beijing's Preparations to Host the 2022 Winter Olympics

Speakers:

Jinli Qi, Deputy Mayor, Yanqing District of Beijing Municipality, China

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: Vision

Smart City 3.0 – The City of Smart Citizens

The third generation of Smart City means that a city is co-created by its citizens. The residents who use the latest technological solutions are expecting that municipalities will keep implementing, developing and optimising innovative solutions to meet community needs. Broadband internet, modern communication platforms, mobile applications – these are just some of the tools used by Smart Citizens. Will the third edition of the “cities of the future” be a breakthrough?

Moderator:

Katarina Hazuchova, Independent Environmental Analyst, Slovakia

Speakers:

Roman Ciepiela, Mayor, City of Tarnow, Poland

Jarosław Czerniawski, Business Development Director, Huawei, Poland

Krzysztof Gawkowski, Vice-Chairman, Democratic Left Alliance, Poland

Francesco Grillo, Director, Vision, Italy

Abdurashid Yafasov, Head of Management of Innovation Department, Kaliningrad State Technical University, Russia

Tadeusz Krzakowski, Mayor, Legnica City Council, Poland

Edyta Ziajowska, Marketing Director, PayU, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Social Innovation – a Method for Improving the Quality of Life in Cities

Social innovations are the source of benefits which affect urban development, the quality of life of citizens and the functioning of entities operating within cities. Innovations, among other things, are the answer to the problems in infrastructure, development of public space and proper social, as well as medical assistance to those in need. What opportunities and challenges arising from using social innovations do modern cities face? How can innovation affect the attractiveness of those cities?

Moderator:

Dariusz Lasocki, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Polish Television TVP S.A., Poland

Speakers:

Beata Guzik, Director EU Public Affairs, Pharumlegal, Belgium

Urszula Nowogorska, President, Malopolska Regional Assembly, Poland

Mika Pyykko, Head of Focus Area, Finnish Innovation Fund (SITRA), Finland

Liliana Rodrigues, Member, European Parliament, Portugal

Jakub Wagnanski, President, Laboratory Of Research and Social Innovation, Shipyard, Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partners: HB Reavis Poland
Chance for Buildings

Buildings of the Future – Intelligent, Ecological, Real?

Smart Cities need smart solutions. The methods adapted primarily for office buildings are increasingly utilised by private individuals and entrepreneurs. Not only homes but also hotels and entire estates can be intelligent. The use of automation at the stages of design and arrangement means that the building can respond to the needs and expectations of its tenants. In addition to high technology, energy efficiency is also important. This implies building from materials that enable the greatest possible reduction of energy consumption. Is it possible to reconcile modernity with ecology and create real buildings from our dreams?

Moderator:

Petr Holub, Director, Chance for Buildings, Czech Republic

Speakers:

Stanislaw Frnka, Country CEO, HB Reavis Poland, Poland

Harald Kegler, Professor for Sustainable Urban Planning, University of Kassel, Germany

Pawel Knafel, Mayor, Slomniki City Council, Poland

Grzegorz Nowaczewski, Chief Executive Officer, Virtual Power Plant, Poland

Marcin Pawlicki, Senior Key Account Manager, PayU, Poland

Rafal Schurma, President, Polish Green Building Council PLGBC, Poland

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: City of Krakow

 Business Success in Kraków. Can Business Centres Be a Recipe for Sustainable Economic Development? If Not Outsourcing – Then What?

Kraków becomes the Central Europe's capital of international business services. According to rankings, it is the best European location for the companies operating in the BPO, SSC, IT and R&D sectors.

This industry in Kraków employs 51,000 people. Just as many work in traditional corporations.

- Does Kraków attract talents?
- Where is the limit? When are the Kraków's capabilities of attracting capital going to end?
- Competition. What is the threat to the international corporations' development in Kraków? Are big companies going to move to smaller (and cheaper) Polish cities or across the eastern border?

Moderator:

Wojciech Pelowski, Publisher, Gazeta Wyborcza daily, Poland

Speakers:

Gregory Apostolakis, HSBC Operations, Services and Technology, Centre Director and GBM Site Head, Poland

Joanna Benz, Country Manager, CH2M HILL POLSKA LTD, Poland

Agnieszka Kula-Borsuk, CEO, Air Liquide Polska sp. z o.o., Poland

Jacek Majchrowski, Mayor, Krakow City Council, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

 Sustainable Social and Economic Development. Challenges and Best Practices

Meeting ambitions and needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of the future generations to meet their own needs, seeking social justice, improving the quality of life in environmental, economic and social terms – is what defines sustainable development. How to use natural resources in times of consumerism? How to ensure price stability and high competitiveness of the social market economy?

Moderator:

Stanislaw Sorys, Deputy Marshal, Malopolska Region, Poland

Speakers:

George Alibegashvili, Chairman, Tbilisi City Municipal Assembly, Georgia

Grzegorz Biedron, Chairman of the Regional Development, Promotion and Foreign Cooperation Committee, Member, Malopolska Regional Assembly, Poland

Alessandro Costa, Head of Strategic Development and International Cooperation, Venice International University, Italy

Adam Jarubas, Marshal, Swietokrzyskie Region's Marshal's Office, Poland

Joakim Larsson, Regional President, Region Västra Götaland, Sweden

Mikkel Skott Olsen, Head of Global Corporate Responsibility, VELUX Group, Denmark

Commentator:

Nuria Gonzalez Rabanal, Professor, University of Leon, Spain

SEPTEMBER 7

10:45—12:00 Discussion Panel

Mieszkanie Plus. How to Provide Polish Regions with a Pro-Development Impulse, Strengthen the Flexibility of Local Labour Markets, and Save the Country from a Demographic Trap?

More than a million Polish families do not have a chance to rent or buy their own homes and have to share them with other households. At the same time, Poland is facing the challenge of a continuously declining working-age population. The National Housing Programme, under which Mieszkanie plus programme is being implemented, is a chance to unlock the potential for a responsible development of Poland and improve the citizens' quality of life. It should also serve as an investment in the Polish domestic entrepreneurship and the creation of new jobs in a more mobile and flexible market. The key to the programme's success is a partnership co-operation of government agencies with businesses and local governments.

Moderator:

Janusz Krol, Editor-in-Chief, Journal of Territorial Self-government 'Community', Poland

Speakers:

Andrzej Adamczyk, Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Construction, Poland

Mirosław Barszcz, CEO, BGK Nieruchomości S.A., Poland

Grzegorz Kielpsz, Chief Executive Officer, Polish Association of Developers, Poland

Marcin Krupa, Mayor, Katowice City Council, Poland

Mateusz Morawiecki, Deputy Prime Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:15—13:30 Discussion Panel

E-Buses on the Way to Electromobility Cities

How to solve the problem of congested and polluted cities? While cars occupy the most space on our streets, the public transport which the electric buses are an integral part of, take the smallest space. If the buses are driven in electricity it let minimize negative effects on the combustion and provides a safe and comfortable transport.

Initiated by The Ministry of Development e-Bus Program has lead to create an electric bus made of Polish components only. Panel will diagnose the needs and challenges within the communities involved in The e-Bus Program; science, business and public administration. It also let answer many questions related to field of electric public transport.

Moderator:

Lukasz Korycki, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Puls Biznesu, Poland

Speakers:

Grzegorz Benysek, Head of Institute, University of Zielona Góra, Poland

Marcin Chludzinski, President of the Board, Industrial Development Agency, Poland

Jadwiga Emilewicz, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Dariusz Michalak, Deputy CEO, Solaris Bus & Coach S.A., Poland

Lucjusz Nadberezny, Mayor of the City, Stalowa Wola City Council, Poland

Marcin Piasecki, Vice-president of the Management Board, Polish Development Fund, Poland

Karol Zarajczyk, President of the Management Board, URSUS S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:45—15:00 Special Events

Partner: PKO Bank Polski

Launch of the Polish Edition of the Book “Equity. Why Employee Ownership is Good for Business” and the Debate “Employee Ownership: What to Do to Make it Support Development in Poland?”

Honorary Patronage: Ministry of Development

The aim of the debate is to inaugurate a public discussion about the idea and legal solutions on employee ownership, which are possible to implement in Poland. The starting point for the discussion will be the launch of the Polish edition of the book “Equity. Why Employee Ownership is Good for Business” originally published in the USA by Harvard Business School Press. The Polish edition of the book was prefaced by Mateusz Morawiecki, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Development.

Moderator:

Kozłowska Katarzyna, Editor-in-Chief, Kurhaus Publishing, Poland

Speakers:

Dariusz Dudek, Chairman, Independent Self-Governing Trade Union “Solidarity” in PG SILESIA, Poland

Zbigniew Jagiello, President of the Management Board, PKO Bank Polski SA, Poland

Jarosław Jozefowicz, President of the Board, TZMO SA, Poland

Krzysztof Ludwiniak, Attorney, Consultant of the Polish edition of the book “Equity. Why Employee Ownership Is Good For Business, Poland

Marc Mathieu, Secretary General of the European Federation of Employee Share Ownership (EFES), Belgium
Max Stelzer, Management Board Executive, voestalpine Mitarbeiterbeteiligung Privatstiftung, Austria
Andrzej Szumanski, Professor, Jagiellonian University, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

15:15—16:45 Discussion Panel

Capital for Development: A Key Pillar of the Strategy for Responsible Development

This debate with the participation of representatives of the Ministry of Development, the Polish Development Fund, businesses and academics will focus on the assumptions and goals of the Strategy for Responsible Development in the area of capital, confronting the proposed new sources of financing with the expectations of businesses and the experience of the US market.

Moderator:

Igor Janke, President of the Management Board, The Institute for Liberty, Poland

Speakers:

Jakub Kowalski, President of the Board, SKB Drive Tech S.A., Poland

Arkadiusz Kustra, Assistant Professor, AGH University of Science and Technology in Cracow, Poland

Jerzy Kwiecinski, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

Marcin Piasecki, Vice-president of the Management Board, Polish Development Fund, Poland

Greg Richards, Senior Advisor at Energy Impact Partners, Energy Impact Partners, USA

Robert Swiechowicz, Vice-President of the Board, PESA Bydgoszcz S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Partner: McKinsey & Company

Digital Consumers. How to Meet Their Expectations and Achieve Success for Your Business?

More than 20 million people use the Internet in Poland today. To find out more about them, McKinsey surveyed these “digital Poles.” During the debate we present the results of our investigation and the conclusions we base on them. We also look at the expectations of digital Poles, and how you can meet them to achieve success for your business.

Digital Poles, Consumer e–Revolution

Speakers:

Wojciech Bogdan, Leader of Consumer Goods and Retail Practice, McKinsey & Company, Poland

Wojciech Krok, Associate Partner, McKinsey & Company, Poland

Digital consumers. How to meet their expectations – and achieve success for your business.

Moderator:

Wiktoria Namysl, Managing Partner in Poland, McKinsey & Company, Poland

Speakers:

Francois Colombie, Chairman Auchan Poland, Ukraine, Auchan Poland, Poland

Agnieszka Hryniewicz–Bieniek, Country Director, Google, Poland
Cezary Stypulkowski, President of the Management Board, mBank S.A., Poland
Jacek Swiderski, CEO, Wirtualna Polska S.A., Poland
Grzegorz Wojcik, Head of Corporate Relations, Grupa Allegro, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Geopolitical Intelligence Services AG (GIS)*

Towards a New Global Financial Paradigm.
 What Future for Secure Business Financing
 and Investments?

The hallmarks of the financial system – trust, integrity, security and quality – have been shaken over the past decade. Crypto and parallel currencies are providing new ways of exchanging value, whilst innovative and customer–focused companies give businesses fresh alternatives to traditional banking. Furthermore, new financial institutions and agreements are emerging that reflect the changing geopolitical and economic landscape. These challenge the prevailing international banking system and the position of the US Dollar as a global reserve currency. What will the new financial world order look like? How should businesses and investors prepare for it?

Moderator:

Wojciech Surmacz, Editor–in–Chief, “Gazeta Bankowa”, Poland

Speakers:

HSH Prince Michael of Liechtenstein, Founder and Chairman, Geopolitical Intelligence Services AG

Pawel Borys, President, Polish Development Fund, Poland

Enrico Colombatto, Professor of Economics, University of Turin, Italy

Christopher Dembik, Head of Macro Analysis, Saxo Bank, Denmark

Thomas Puschmann, Head of Swiss FinTech Innovation Lab, Switzerland

Jozef Wancer, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Bank BGŻ BNP Paribas SA, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: EY

Fighting Shadow Economy and Tax Frauds – Are the Criminals in Retreat?

Shadow economy and tax frauds are the unfair competition destroying healthy market, robbing the state budget, and the development of the most dangerous pathologies – such as mafia, corruption and money laundering. On April 7th of 2016 in the Ministry of Finance the report issued by UN Global Compact Poland in cooperation with EY “Combating the Shadow Economy in Poland” was presented. The report shows the enormous scale of the problem and gives recommendations on horizontal and specific actions for industries that are exposed to these pathologies on the highest scale – fuel, gambling, tobacco and alcohol. The goal of the panel is the answer for the question whether after half a year of this report launch, we can say that the situation has changed for the better? Whether we can finally say that criminals are in reverse?

Moderator:

Jarosław Kosiński, Partner, Central & Southeast Europe Tax and Law Leader, EY, Poland

Speakers:

Paulina Hennig-Kloska, Member, Parliament, Poland

Wiesław Jasinski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Finance, Poland

Rafał Miland, Vice-President of the Board, PERN S.A., Poland

Marcin Warchol, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Justice, Poland

Iga Wasilewicz, PR Manager/Spokesperson, Association of Employers Polish Spirits Industry (ZP PPS), Poland

Kamil Wyszowski, General Director, Global Compact Network Poland, Poland

Magdalena Włodarczyk, Director, The National Association of Tobacco Industry, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: *THINK TANK POLAND, GO GLOBAL!*

Poland, Go Global Debate: International Expansion in Unstable Times

Experts will discuss the potential of Polish companies going abroad, explaining how they can stand out on international markets in unstable times in Europe. The speakers will present in particular:

- Main directions on international expansion of Polish companies,
- Middle East – opportunities and risks of expansion into new markets,
- United States of America – benefits, barriers and the most effective strategies for business in USA,
- How to prepare a company to risk of instability on international markets.

During the debate, experts will present the recent edition of a research review “Polish Companies on the Global Scene” conducted for Poland, Go Global! think tank.

Moderator:

Andrzej Jacaszek, Harvard Business Review Polska Publisher/ Vice President of the Management Board, ICAN Spółka z ograniczoną odpowiedzialnością Sp.k., Poland

Speakers:

Weronika Achramowicz, Partner, Baker & McKenzie Krzywowski i Wspólnicy sp.k., Poland

Andrzej Kozłowski, CEO / Member of the Board, ROHLIG SUUS Logistics S.A., Poland

Maks Kraczkowski, Vice President of the Management Board, PKO Bank Polski SA, Poland

Jacek Stryczynski, Country Head, Poland & Slovakia, Lionbridge Poland Sp. z o.o, Poland

Paweł Lapinski, Vicepresident of the Board, Azoty Group, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: CASE – Center for Social and Economic Research (CASE)

Fiscal Policy: Moving Towards Predictability

The purpose of the panel will be to foster discussion about the advantages of predictability in policy making, in particular in fiscal policy. CASE panelists will speak both on revenue and expenditure planning, placing the debate on fiscal predictability in a global context and making reference to innovations in this field (such as Medium–Term Budgetary Framework). The invited international experts will also touch upon the issue of impact of fiscal unpredictability on business and tax compliance. From the Polish side, CASE’s own experts will focus on consumption taxes such as the VAT and excise taxes, discussing the obstacles policymakers might meet when trying to conduct predictable fiscal policy.

Moderator:

Grzegorz Poniatowski, Director of Fiscal Policy Studies, CASE
– Center for Social and Economic Research, Poland

Speakers:

Gabriel Biris, Secretary of State, Ministry of Finance, Romania

Ivailo Izvorski, Practice Manager, The World Bank, USA

Manouchehr Mokhtari, Associate Professor, University of Maryland, USA

Jarosław Neneman, Lecturer, Lazarski University, Poland

Michael Smart, Professor, University of Toronto, Canada

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Partner: mBank S.A.

The Polish–German Economic Cooperation – is it a Mutual Destiny?

Every fourth euro earned by Polish companies on exports comes from our western neighbors. Germany distances all other markets as Poland’s biggest economic partner. It is the most important foreign investor in Poland, but Polish companies are increasingly investing in Germany. Both economies are far away in years of development but, at the same time, they complement each other perfectly. What barriers do hit Germans investing in Poland? What obstacles are faced by Poles, who want to conquer the German market? After a quarter century of cooperation, is there anything we can still learn from each other?

Poland as Seen by German Entrepreneurs and Germany Through the Eyes of Polish Businesspeople

Speakers:

Michael Kern, General Director, AHK Poland, Poland

Business Leader

Speakers:

Andre Gerstner, President of the Board, Groclin S.A., Poland

The Polish–German Economic Cooperation – is it a Mutual Destiny?

Moderator:

Przemysław Gdanski, Vice–President of the Management Board, Head of Corporate & Investment Banking, mBank S.A., Poland

Speakers:

Andre Gerstner, President of the Board, Groclin S.A., Poland

Krzysztof Jablonski, President of the Management Board, KORONA Candles S.A., Poland

Michael Kern, General Director, AHK Poland, Poland

Jacek Rutkowski, President of the Management Board, Amica Wronki, Poland

Maciej Witucki, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, Orange Polska, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: Vivus Finance Sp. z o.o

The Future of Financial Services – How to Capitalize on the FinTech Opportunity

Technological companies may change the status quo of the financial market. They may also influence the development of key competencies for the economic development based on knowledge in countries which create appropriate conditions. Is it possible to create an ecosystem in Poland which will allow the utilization of the silent revolution? How can we support Poland’s ambition to become the European leader of FinTech? Is Warsaw able to compete with London or Berlin?

Moderator:

Małgorzata Bonikowska, President, Center for International Relations (CSM), Poland

Speakers:

Tadeusz Koscinski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Artur Martyniuk, Director, Deloitte, Poland

Loukas Notopoulos, CEO, Vivus Finance Sp. z o.o, Poland

Tomasz Piwowarski, Director, Financial Supervision Commission, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: IKEA

The Role of Global Companies on the Development of Countries and Society of Central and Eastern Europe

Central and Eastern Europe is a region where global companies have been successfully investing for years, creating new jobs, enhancing the living conditions of societies and seriously influencing the economic development of states. What incentives are needed for companies to be still willing to invest here? What is the role of political elites? Industry or services – what should the directions of development be? How should the economic patriotism be defined today? Should it be defined? Is reindustrialisation possible in the spirit of sustainable development?

Moderator:

Marek Tejchman, Gazeta Prawna Daily, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Poland

Speakers:

Tomasz Bogus, CEO, Bank BGŻ BNP Paribas S.A., Poland

Gerard Bourland, General Director of Veolia Group in Poland, Veolia, Poland

Filip Grzegorzczuk, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Treasury, Poland

Anna Pawlak-Kuliga, CEO, Ikea Retail Sp. z o.o., Poland

Wiesław Rozlucki, Senior Adviser, Rothschild & Co, Poland

Grzegorz Zielinski, Regional Director, Poland and the Baltics, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Cyfrowy Polsat S.A.

The First Civil Satellite – Benefits for Poland

Assumptions of the satellite project; Cooperation between ministries; Cooperation with the cosmic industry; Project executives – challenges; Role of the project operator; Long-term benefits.

Moderator:

Eryk Stankunowicz, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Forbes Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Dariusz Dzialkowski, Member of the Board, Cyfrowy Polsat S.A., Poland

Michał Szaniawski, Vice president of the Management Board, Industrial Development Agency, Poland

Tomasz Szubrycht, Rector, Polish Naval Academy, Poland

Jerzy Zurek, Director, Institute of Communications, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Capital Markets Union: a New Beginning in the European Financial Sector

The panelists will try to identify the challenges and opportunities of the Capital Markets Union for the Central and Eastern European Member States and answer to the following questions:

- To what extent can the project support deepening of local capital markets of new Member States?
- To what extent will it serve the further concentration of EU key capital market players and concentration of infrastructures?
- Can the process contribute to both lower cost SME financing and ensuring more private funding for large EU infrastructure projects at the same time?
- Will this CMU process increase or weaken financial stability in a crisis situation at the European level?
- Would the whole project put the EU in a better position vis-à-vis the US in terms of real economy?

Moderator:

Laszlo Balogh, Deputy State Secretary, Ministry for National Economy, Hungary

Speakers:

Axel Kalinowski, Manager, Continental Europe, London Stock Exchange Group, United Kingdom

Stanisław Kluza, Vice President Acting As President, Bank for Environmental Protection, Poland

Jiri Rusnok, Governor, Czech National Bank, Czech Republic

Gergo Szenczey, Executive Director Consumer Protection and Market Supervision, The National Bank of Hungary, Hungary

Ivan Takev, CEO, Bulgarian Stock Exchange, Bulgaria

SEPTEMBER 7

18:40—19:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: International Visegrad Fund

Energiewende and the Energy Sector in Central Europe – Competition or Cooperation?

Germany's energy transformation (Energiewende) has placed not only Central Europe, but also the European Union before an accomplished fact. How can Central European countries meet this challenge, when European Commission argues that EU countries should continue to develop their nuclear programme in parallel with renewable energy sources? Does coal mining, including further development of thermal power plants in Poland and the Czech Republic, have a future? What if Energiewende were to contribute to the technological leap, involving Central Europe as well?

Moderator:

Lubos Palata, EU editor, MF DNES, Czech Republic

Speakers:

Kalle Kukk, Strategy Manager, Elering, Estonia

Attila Nyikos, Vice President for International Affairs, Hungarian Energy and Public Utility Regulatory Authority, Hungary

Janusz Steinhoff, Advisor, PwC Polska Sp. z o.o, Poland

Mirek Topolánek, former Prime Minister, Member of the Board of Directors, Eustream, Czech Republic

Liutauras Varanavicius, Director of Strategy Department, LITGRID AB, Lithuania

Peter Wolfmeyer, Vice President, Institute of Behavioural Economics Research, Germany

Commentator:

Aleksandra Mirowicz, Climate Policy Adviser, Sandbag, United Kingdom

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Partner: Deloitte

**The Young Generation Takes the Reins
– Successors in Family Businesses**

Polish family businesses are facing the first wave of succession. What will their business reality look like under the new leaders' reign? During the panel we will discuss the findings of the recent Deloitte survey conducted among successors in 19 EMEA countries. We will discuss how leadership style and strategies of family businesses will change. We will present the challenges to be faced by the new leaders in particular in the context of preserving the family nature of the business. We will also reflect on how investment priorities, sources of development financing and the approach towards innovation will change.

New Generation at Family Companies*Speakers:*

Adam Chroscielewski, Partner / Vice President, Deloitte,
Poland

**The Young Generation Takes the Reigns: Successors
in Family Businesses***Moderator:*

Wojciech Szelag, Journalist, Polsat News, Poland

Speakers:

Adam Chroscielewski, Partner / Vice President, Deloitte,
Poland

Artur Czepczyński, President of the Board, ABC–Czepczyński
Sp. z o.o Sp. K, Poland

Libor Musil, Chairman of the Board of Directors, LIKO–S, a.s.,
Czech Republic

Marcin Ochnik, CEO, OCHNIK SA, Poland

Jarosław Szczupak, President of the Board, ALSTAL Grupa
Budowlana, Poland

Michał Zajezierski, Vice President of the Management Board,
Nowel Piekarnia Nowakowski Sp. z o. o. S. K. A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partners: *Domański Zakrzewski Palinka
Institute for Eastern Studies*

Polish Judicial System in the Eyes of Entrepreneurs

During the panel we will talk about the strong and weak points of the Polish judicial system in the eyes of entrepreneurs, setting out the perspectives of business, judges and the Ministry of Justice. We will answer the question of what the biggest problem is for business when filing suits and whether speedy dispute resolution should be the most important requirement. We will also present alternatives to the state judicial system, i.e. mediation, arbitration and ADR.

Moderator:

Pawel Lewandowski, Attorney-at-law, Partner, Domański Zakrzewski Palinka Law Firm, Poland

Speakers:

Barbara Dolniak, Vice Speaker, Parliament, Poland

Krzystian Markiewicz, President, Association of Polish Judges Iustitia, Poland

Lukasz Piebiak, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Justice, Poland

Robert Pietryszyn, President of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, Grupa LOTOS S.A., Poland

Jerzy Werle, Warbud SA's Chairman, Director General, WARBUD SA, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Agreement for Construction Safety*

Economic and Social Benefits Resulting from Workplace Safety Management in Investment Processes

The ways a company thinks, acts and manages workplace safety are nowadays indicators of a maturity level for each organization and institution and hence for the country's whole economy. Not so long ago there was a conviction persisting in people's consciousness that safety and all matters associated with it lead to unnecessary costs and should be treated as a necessary evil. These days however more and more entrepreneurs put safety on a par with business objectives. It turns out that such a strategy brings long-term effects, is justified from the social and economic point of view, has a positive impact on company growth, development of innovative solutions and technologies and facilitates an efficient functioning of the organization.

Moderator:

Michał Wasilewski, Coordinator, Agreement for Construction Safety, Poland

Speakers:

Mariusz Pyrcz, Deputy Chief of Regional Labour Inspector in Krakow, Chief Labour Inspectorate, Poland

Małgorzata Streciwilk, President, Public Procurement Office, Poland

Jerzy Werle, Warbud SA's Chairman, Director General, WARBUD SA, Poland

Tomasz Zuchowski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Infrastructure and Construction, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Warsaw

Country Image vs. its Economic Potential

Developing an effective image strategy is one of priorities for every country. The image is an indicator of the future development of a country and a country's showcase at the international level. One of the most important factors forming the image, apart from political, diplomatic, social and information issues, is economy. How big is this economic factor's impact on the creation of a positive image and how can it contribute to the economic growth of a country?

Moderator:

Yuri Yekhanurov, Professor, former Prime Minister, Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Ukraine

Speakers:

Iryna Akimova, Director, Analytical Centre NewSEP, Ukraine

Ingrid Brockova, Director General for Economic Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, Slovakia

Raimundas Karoblis, Vice-Minsiter, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania

Petra Pana, Deputy State Secretary for Foreign Economic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary, Hungary

Matthew Tyrmand, Deputy Director, American Transparency, OpenTheBooks, USA

Commentator:

Shafiev Ruslan, Professor, Department of World Economy, Plekhanov Economic University, Russia

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: Domański Zakrzewski Palinka

Polish Entrepreneurs and Foreign Expansion. Is it Necessary?

During the panel Polish entrepreneurs will answer the question of whether foreign expansion is a necessary element in a business's development. If it is, then when should an entrepreneur start to think about it, where should he start and what mistakes should he avoid?

Moderator:

Marek Swiatkowski, Attorney-at-law, Partner, Domański Zakrzewski Palinka Law Firm, Poland

Speakers:

Józef Bodziony, Chairman of the Board, Introl S.A., Poland

Krzysztof Jablonski, President of the Management Board, KORONA Candles S.A., Poland

Ryszard Prozner, Member of the Supervisory Board, Wielton S.A., Poland

Monika Siecinska-Jaworowska, Chairman of the Board, Suempol Sp. z o.o, Poland

Stefan Swiatkowski, Executive Vice President & CFO, KGHM Polska Miedz S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: EPOS – International Mediating and Negotiating Operational Agency

For Whom the Bell Tolls? United States of Europe – Wishful Thinking or a Real Scenario. Part I

In the last two years, the European Union has been stress-tested to face the challenges ahead. In summer 2015, the solidity of the EU was seriously endangered by the risk of a Grexit. Meanwhile, in June the Brexit scenario came true. The Schengen agreement – a EU's very significant achievement – was called into question this year, because of almost a million of refugees trying to enter the Union, with neighboring and candidate countries asking for clear directions and support. A strong call for a common response comes from the political as well as economic and cultural world, and from the civil society. For whom the bell tolls? Has the time of a United States of Europe come?

Special guest:

Piotr Głinski, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Culture and National Heritage, Poland

Moderator:

Emanuela Claudia Del Re, President and Chair, EPOS
– International Mediating and Negotiating Operational Agency, Italy

Speakers:

Zanda Kalnina-Lukasevica, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvia

Ivan Krulko, Deputy, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Margarida Marques, Secretary of State for European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Portugal
Konrad Szymanski, Secretary of State for European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland

SEPTEMBER 7

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: EPOS – International Mediating and Negotiating Operational Agency

For Whom the Bell Tolls? United States of Europe – Wishful Thinking or a Real Scenario. Part II

In the last two years, the European Union has been stress-tested to face the challenges ahead. In summer 2015, the solidity of the EU was seriously endangered by the risk of a Grexit. Meanwhile, in June the Brexit scenario came true. The Schengen agreement – a EU's very significant achievement – was called into question this year, because of almost a million of refugees trying to enter the Union, with neighboring and candidate countries asking for clear directions and support. A strong call for a common response comes from the political as well as economic and cultural world, and from the civil society. For whom the bell tolls? Has the time of a United States of Europe come?

Moderator:

Emanuela Claudia Del Re, President and Chair, EPOS
– International Mediating and Negotiating Operational Agency, Italy

Speakers:

Ana Birchall, Chairperson, Committee for European Affairs,
Chamber of Deputies, Romania

Artem Malgin, Vice Rector, Moscow State Institute of
International Relations (MGIMO), Russia

Padraig O'Malley, John Joseph Moakley Distinguished
Professor of Peace and Reconciliation, University of
Massachusetts Boston, USA

Grzegorz Schetyna, Member, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs
Committee, Parliament, Poland

Karel Schwarzenberg, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs
Committee, Parliament, Czech Republic

Commentator:

Nicolamaria Coppola, Secretary General, EPOS – International
Mediating and Negotiating Operational Agency, Italy

SEPTEMBER 7

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Eastern Partnership. Are Changes Necessary?

The Eastern Partnership, although criticised by many, reaches its goals in certain areas. For obvious reasons, not all participants can take full advantage of the possibilities it offers. Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine are leaders of the EaP, but is it possible to modify the programme in such a way as to better accommodate the needs and possibilities of other members of the programme? What new institutions within the EaP could contribute to enhancing the cooperation in the region?

Moderator:

Michał Szczerba, MP, Deputy Chairman of the Polish–Georgian Parliamentary Group, Parliament, Poland

Speakers:

Hrant Bagratyan, Member, National Assembly, Armenia

Vasyl Filipchuk, Chairman of the Board, International Centre for Policy Studies (ICPS), Ukraine

Hanna Hopko, Head of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Ioseb Manjavidze, Member, Tbilisi City Municipal Assembly, Georgia

Asim Mollazade, Chairman, MP, Democratic Reforms Party, Azerbaijan

Arseni Sivitski, Director, Center for Strategic and Foreign Policy Studies, Belarus

Commentator:

Dmitry Karnaukhov, Professor, Department of International Relations, Novosibirsk State Technical University, Russia

Emmet Tuohy, Senior Research Fellow, Estonian Center of Eastern Partnership (ECEAP), Estonia

SEPTEMBER 7

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: New Strategy Center

Central and Eastern Europe – Security Strategies

For the last few years, Central and Eastern Europe has been a scene of important events, affecting Europe as a whole. The migration crisis or the recent annexation of the Crimea made security issues even more urgent and forced the leaders of the European countries to start talks. What best to make of already existing security strategies and how to create new ones? How should the countries of Central and Eastern Europe cooperate?

Moderator:

Cosmin Ionita, Director of Research Programs, New Strategy Center, Romania

Speakers:

Stephen Covington, Strategic and International Affairs Adviser, NATO/SHAPE, USA

Pavel Luzin, Columnist, The Intersection Project, Russia

Maria Josefa Perez del Pozo, Professor, University Complutense in Madrid, Spain

Kyrylo Sazonov, Editor-in-Chief, Donetsk News, Ukraine

Tomasz Siemoniak, Deputy Chairman, Parliamentary Club “Civic Platform”, Poland

Stefan Tinca, Deputy Minister for Defence Policy, Ministry of Defence, Romania

SEPTEMBER 7

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: *The Potomac Foundation*

The Role of NATO's Eastern Flank in Building Security

The situation in Ukraine and conflicts in the Black Sea region caused a well-grounded anxiety of NATO countries, especially those in Central and Eastern Europe. As a response, they announce boosting its military potential and call for an increased presence of NATO forces in the region. CEE countries underline the need to establish NATO permanent military bases. What is the role of Eastern flank in building the Alliance's potential and strength?

Moderator:

Gerald Frost, Director, Danube Institute, Hungary

Speakers:

Phillip Petersen, Vice President for Studies, The Potomac Foundation, USA

Kristi Raik, Senior Research Fellow, The Finnish Institute of International Affairs, FIIA, Finland

Oleg Shabrov, Head of the Chair of Political Science and Political Management, Academy of National Economy and Public Administration under the President of the Russian Federation, Russia

Klaus Wittmann, Senior Fellow, Aspen Institute, Germany

Commentator:

Alexander Sytin, President, North&Eastern Europe Research Political Center, Russia

SEPTEMBER 7

18:40 Thematic Block

Russia–Poland. Dispute over Values or Policies?

Polish–Russian relations are held hostage to political ambitions. Mutual criticism and propaganda do their job. Some historians say that the reason for the hostility lies in the civilizational race for supremacy in the Slavic world. Perhaps that is why passion is so strong as in a family dispute. The ground for a positive dialogue between Russia and Poland may be based on similar values – moral, religious and cultural. Modern Poland emerged as the successful national state based on Christian foundations. Today, the Poles are experiencing increasing pressure from cosmopolitan and secular Europe. Russians are still forming civil nation and are actively seeking their new place in the modern world. Maybe it's time for Russians and Poles to unite against common threats?

Russia–Poland. Dispute over Values or Policies?

Moderator:

Jan Rokita, Poland

Jury Solozobov, Director of International Projects, Institute of National Strategy of Russia, Russia

Speakers:

Marc Berenson, Senior Lecturer at the King's Russia Institute, King's College London, United Kingdom

Caterina Filippini, Professor, Milan University, Italy

Andrei Illarionov, President (IEA), Senior Fellow (Cato), IEA (Russia), Cato (USA), Russia

Inessa Yazhborovskaya, Professor, Institute of Sociology RAS, Russia

Leszek Miller, former Prime Minister, Democratic Left Alliance, Poland

Jan Parys, Chief of the Political Cabinet, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Commentator:

Maxim Samorukov, Deputy Editor Carnegie.ru Moscow Center, Carnegie Moscow Center, Russia

John Paul II and Russia. The Unfinished Talk

Speakers:

Grigory Amnuel, Director, Open Club International Dialogue, Russia

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12:00—12:45 Discussion Panel

The Mutual Insurance Corporation: An Example of Cooperation Between State-owned Companies

The discussion concerns the thread of mutual insurances – return to the roots of insurance. Mutual insurance company is an alternative to the commercial ones and turns into cooperation platform within the membership.

Special guest:

Dawid Jackiewicz, Minister, Ministry of Treasure, Poland

Moderator:

Michal Krupinski, President of the Board, PZU Group

Speakers:

Remigiusz Nowakowski, CEO, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

Emil Wojtowicz, Vice-President for Finance, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna, Poland

Mirosław Panek, President of the Board, Bank Gospodarstwa Krajowego, Poland

Andrzej Paniczek, Member of the Board, PGG

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13:00—13:45 Presentation

Presentation of the PGE Strategy

The PGE Capital Group is Poland's largest energy sector company with respect to sales revenues and EBITDA. In 2015 PGE Group posted good financial and operating results with highest EBITDA in Company's history (PLN 8.2 billion). Thanks to the combination of its own fuel resources, power generation and distribution networks, PGE guarantees a safe and reliable power supply to over 5 million households, businesses and institutions. The PGE Group generates electricity using domestic fuel resources.

Speakers:

Henryk Baranowski, President of the Management Board, PGE
Polska Grupa Energetyczna S.A., Poland

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14:00—15:15 Discussion Panel

Polish Companies Facing Dynamic Changes
in the Global Economy

The debate is focused on the changes in the global economy and the challenges ahead of Polish companies, as well as the issue of economic patriotism and its importance for the innovativeness of the Polish economy. The processes that currently take place on the energy sources market are related to the opening of new markets, i.e. due to the US shale boom and the scrapping of sanctions on Iran, and emphasise the need to perceive global economic challenges through the prism of national interests.

Special guest:

Krzysztof Tchorzewski, Minister, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Moderator:

Jacek Łęski, Polish Television TVP S.A., Journalist

Speakers:

Mariusz Bober, President of the Board, Azoty Group, Poland

Robert Pietryszyn, President of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, Grupa LOTOS S.A., Poland

Krzysztof Skora, President of the Board, CEO, KGHM Polska Miedź S.A., Poland

Beata Stelmach, CEO, General Electric Poland Sp. z o.o, Poland

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15:30—16:45 Discussion Panel

Infrastructure and Transport. Prospects for the development of transport in Poland

Developing a strong and modern Polish economy requires further investment in transport infrastructure. Expansion of road infrastructure, modernization and maintenance of railway infrastructure, implementation of digital services, the future of electronic toll collection system or update of transport strategies for Responsible Development Strategy – these and other topics will be mentioned during the panel discussion “Prospects for the development of transport in Poland”.

Moderator:

Piotr Chęcinski, Editor, TVP TAI, Poland

Speakers:

Andrzej Adamczyk, Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Construction, Poland

Jacek Bojarowicz, General Director, General Directorate for National Roads and Motorways, Poland

Kamil Kaminski, Vice President of the Management Board for Corporate Affairs, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

Mirosław Pawłowski, CEO, PKP S.A., Poland

Mikolaj Wild, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Treasury, Poland

Radosław Włoszek, President, Krakow Airport, Poland

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10:40—11:55 Special Events

Announcement of the 6th Edition of Polish Companies Abroad Ranking’s Results. Debate “Expansion and Growth Possibilities of the Polish Companies Abroad”

For a few years now, Polish companies have been developing their foreign affiliates. Especially, it pertains to large state companies, particularly from raw materials and industry sectors. Very often, the expansion covers countries neighbouring with Poland. Usually, it pertains to less developed, post-communist countries. Does the expansion of family companies undermine Poland’s economic growth when there is an insufficient number of investments in Poland. Can we afford supporting investments abroad. Should the State support this kind of activity. Does it strengthen Polish position in the global economy?

Moderator:

Paweł Jablonski, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Paweł Borys, President of the Management Board, Polish Development Fund, Poland

Jacek Chwedoruk, Managing Director, President of the Board, Rothschild & Co, Poland

Marek Czarski, President of the Board, Export Credit Insurance Corporation Joint Stock Company, Poland

Jadwiga Emilewicz, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Maciej Formanowicz, CEO, Fabryki Mebli “FORTE” S.A., Poland

Jonathan Knott, Ambassador, British Embassy, United Kingdom

Andrzej Malinowski, President, Employers of Poland, Poland

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Building on Innovation

What are the current effects of implementing innovative solutions in Polish companies – a summation attempt. The biggest obstacles in implementing innovations – financial, organisational, technological, mental obstacles, and risk concerns. Are Polish companies ready to implement innovative solutions concerning entire operations of the company, for example regarding the concept of Smart Industry. What should be the role of the state in generating innovativeness of the Polish economy.

*Moderator:***Bogusław Chrabota**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita, Poland*Speakers:***Krzysztof Adamcewicz**, Market Access Director, Roche Polska Sp. z o.o, Poland**Grzegorz Maliszewski**, Chief Economist, Bank Millennium, Poland**Rafał Pawełczak**, Director, KGHM Polska Miedź S.A., Poland**Paweł Roszczyk**, Managing Director, Adamed Sp. z o.o, Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Success “Made in Poland”

Polish companies that impressed business environment and financial markets. What is the measurable influence of those companies on the Polish economy? Road to success – walk around or long-run race with hurdles? Polish brands on foreign markets – do they compete only with price? Are Polish companies innovative or follow usual patterns? What can we do to increase the number of flagship “made in Poland” brands?

*Moderator:***Bogusław Chrabota**, Editor-in-Chief, Rzeczpospolita, Poland*Speakers:***Cezary Kazmierczak**, Chairman, Entrepreneur and Employer Association (ZPP), Poland**Jerzy Kwiecinski**, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland**Jacek Nieweglowski**, Management Board Member, P4 Sp. z o.o, Poland**Krzysztof Pawinski**, CEO, Maspex Wadowice Group, Poland**Jacek Swiderski**, CEO, Wirtualna Polska S.A., Poland**Jacek Sz wajcowski**, President of the Board, Pelion S.A., Poland

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18:40—19:55 Discussion Panel

Prospects and Barriers to Commerce in Poland

Transformation depends on commerce – foreign investments have been entailed by successful strategies of integration carried out by domestic players (mainly by franchise projects). Commerce, then, can be considered a sector playing role of a key to “the door of Polish modernization”. Foreign investors brought standards and rules of modern competition strategies but production sector and domestic commerce followed them and evened chances in the market.

Moderator:

Piotr Mazurkiewicz, Journalist, Rzeczpospolita, Poland

Speakers:

Wiesław Janczyk, Secretary of State, Ministry of Finance, Poland

Renata Juskiewicz, President, Polish Organization of Commerce and Distribution, Poland

Paulina Henning-Kloska, Member, Parliament, Poland

Radosław Knap, General Director, Polish Council of Shopping Centres, Poland

Oktawian Zajac, Partner / Managing Director, The Boston Consulting Group, Poland

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Family-Friendly Policy – New Challenges in the Face of Population Decline

In 20 of 28 EU countries child benefits are not subject to income limit. In 8 EU countries income threshold applies. Additionally, many EU countries implemented tax deductible child allowances like in Italy, Poland and the Czech Republic. By contrast, in Germany, Slovenia or Spain child reliefs are deducted from income, thereby reducing only the tax base. Which solutions are more effective – tax reliefs, family allowances or one-off benefits? What kind of systemic solutions are used in individual European countries and do they encourage young people to have children?

Moderator:

Jacek Pochlopien, Editor-in-Chief, Wprost Magazine, Poland

Speakers:

Laszlo Marki, President, European Large Families Confederation, Hungary

Katalin Novak, Minister of State for Family and Youth Affairs, Ministry of Human Capacities, Hungary

Marianna Onufryk, Expert for Social Policy, Institute for Social and Economic Studies, Ukraine

Dragoș-Nicolae Pîslaru, Minister, Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Protection and Elderly, Romania

Elzbieta Rafalska, Minister, Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy, Poland

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Digital Transformation – Media in the Future

Today media are beginning to infiltrate one another. Newspapers can be read on mobile phones and TV can be watched online. In this context, traditional media must seek new ways to reach the audience. Competitiveness content sets challenges for traditional media – radio, press and television – which usually keep the eye on the quality of communication. The audience of today's media is aging. Therefore, some TV stations spend part of their budgets to produce materials that appear only on the Internet. The problem with talking about new media lies in the fact that the digital reality is not new anymore and it surrounds us everywhere. Hence the question: What is the future of media?

Moderator:

Federika Homolkova, Managing Director, W PRESS, Tyzden Weekly Magazine, Slovakia

Speakers:

Jose Luis Barcelo, Editor-in-Chief, El Mundo Financiero, Spain

Bartosz Hojka, President of the Management Board, AGORA, Poland

Maciej Stanecki, Member of the Board, Polish Television TVP S.A., Poland

Barbara Stanislawczyk-Zyla, President of the Board, Editorin Chief, Polish Radio, Poland

Jacek Swiderski, CEO, Wirtualna Polska S.A., Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

The Impact of Migration on Labour Markets in Europe

There is a widespread public perception that the presence of minority groups in European labour markets causes the rise of unemployment. On the other hand they are affected by malfunctioning systems of social insurance and social policy pursued by the governments, which often enable workforce inability. Does the political discourse in terms of the refugee crisis mask fundamental defects in the functioning of the European labour market system? Can immigration be a salvation for aging European societies? What will be the impact of the crisis on labour migration within and between EU Member States as well as on the access to the labour markets for the non-Schengen European citizens?

Moderator:

Isabella Corvino, Senior Researcher, University of Bologna, Italy

Speakers:

Boguslavas Gruževskis, Professor, Director of the Institute, Lithuanian Social Research Centre, Lithuania

Thorsten Klute, Secretary of State, Ministry of Employment, Integration and Social Affairs of the State of North Rhine–Westphalia, Germany

Linda Lanzillotta, Vice President, Senate, Italy

Irina Novikova, Head of the Department of World Economy Annunciation Branch, Moscow Academy of Entrepreneurship under the Government of Moscow, Russia

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Cyber Security – Public–Private Partnership in Detecting and Preventing Cyber Crime

The panelists will talk about the cyberspace and its safety. The following issues will be discussed: platform for cooperation between the public and private sectors; instruments to support innovation and joint research; development for IT security; centralization and synergy in civil cyber security; global models of public–private cooperation; good practices in the management of ICT security in the private sector; new forms of cyber threats and countermeasures.

Moderator:

Pawel Pudlowski, Member, Parliament, Chairman of the Digitalisation, Innovation and New Technologies Committee, Poland, Parliament, Poland

Speakers:

David Francis, European Cyber Security Officer, Huawei Technologies, United Kingdom

Radu Jugureanu, Director of eContent Department, Siveco Romania SA, Romania

Piotr Muszynski, Vice President of the Board for Operational Matters, Orange Polska, Poland

Włodzimirz Nowak, Plenipotentiary to the Minister on Cybersecurity/ Director of Cybersecurity Department, Ministry of Digital Affairs, Poland

Rafal Owczarek, Business Development Manager IBM Security, Avnet, Poland

Andras Telegdy, EMEA Cyber Security Fusion Center Lead, Citi, Hungary

Igor Wasilewski, President of the Board, PERN S.A., Poland

Commentator:

Jarosław Jakimczyk, Editor-in-Chief, KompromatRP, Poland

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15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partners: Foundation for Polish–German Cooperation
Project for Democratic Union

Rebuilding Civil Society in Times of European Crisis

June 17 marks the 25th anniversary of the Treaty of Good Neighbourship and Friendly Cooperation between the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Poland. This agreement not only provided the basis for the political dialogue between the countries, but has enabled cooperation of the civil society. Taking the Treaty of Good Neighbourship and Friendly Cooperation as a starting point, participants of the debate will discuss the role of civil society in facing current challenges of the European crisis.

Special guest:

Jakub Skiba, Secretary of State, Coordinator of German Polish Intersocietal and Cross Border Cooperation, Ministry of the Interior and Administration, Poland

Moderator:

Benjamin Zeeb, CEO, Project for Democratic Union, Germany

Speakers:

Jeremy Druker, Executive Director and Editor in Chief, Transitions (TOL), Czech Republic

Ole Jantschek, Chairman of the Board, Kreisau–Initiative, Germany

Bogusław Sonik, Member, Parliament, Poland

Krzysztof Stanowski, President of the Board, Solidarity Fund PL, Poland

Commentator:

Pedro Gois, Research Professor, Coimbra University, Portugal

Francesca Traldi, Scientific Advisor, Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Italy

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18:45	Stary Dom Zdrojowy, Prezydencka	Baltic poker. What is Putin's game? by Iwona Poreda–Łakomska – movie
19:00	Pawilon 2, Kryniczanka	Lampedusa, or the Mediterranean Humanism. Meeting with the Author and a Protagonist of the Book "Wielki przyptyw" ("The Great High Tide") by Jaroslaw Mikołajewski
19:00	Pawilon 2, Jan	Daniel Lewczuk "4 Deserts. Run and Find Your Own Way" – evening with the author
19:00	Pawilon 2, Zuber	Meeting Indian Culture. Ajitesh Kar and Joseph Pradip Rozario
20:00	Pijalnia	Closing reception

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09:00—10:30 plenary session

Partner: *Małopolska Region*

What Kind of Solidarity Does Europe Need?

The migration crisis, the decision of the United Kingdom to leave the European Union and the different responses of European states to external challenges all form a threat to the unity of Europe. To ensure internal and external security and harmonious economic development, European countries have to come up with such forms of cooperation that shall not only be a proof of solidarity in Europe but also reconcile the interests of individual countries and social groups. What is the cultural, social and economic future of Europe? Is the Old Continent still capable of solidarity?

Moderator:

Zygmunt Berdychowski, Chairman of the Economic Forum Programme Council, Institute for Eastern Studies, Poland

Speakers:

Loreta Grauziniene, Speaker, Seimas, Lithuania

Michał Krupinski, President of the Board, PZU Group, Poland

Marek Kuchcinski, Speaker of Parliament, Parliament, Poland

Tibor Navracsics, Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, European Commission

Ioan Mircea Pascu, Vice-President, European Parliament, Romania

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17:00—18:30 plenary session

Partner: Małopolska Agencja Rozwoju Regionalnego SA

Does the Welfare State Have a Future?

The model of modern statehood implies that the state should guarantee social care in practically every aspect of human life. It is believed that the state's prosperity is the foundation of capitalism's and democracy's coexistence. Will achieving "welfare state" postulates allow for the creation of one paragon defining a fair society and universal prosperity? Is it possible to transfer the welfare state model to the European level?

Speakers:

Gheorghe Balan, Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration, Republic of Moldova

Piotr Gliński, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Culture and National Heritage, Poland

Konstanty Radziwiłł, Minister, Ministry of Health, Poland

Sergei Stanishev, Prime Minister (2005–2009), President, Party of European Socialists (PES), Bulgaria

Hashim Thaci, President of Kosovo

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: Sadecki University of the Third Age

Is Silver Economy a Chance for Social and Economic Development of Regions?

Senescent societies in Poland and in Europe are a huge challenge for the pension, healthcare and eldercare systems as well as for the public finances. On the other hand, it gives a lot of possibilities to create new jobs and develop new market trends. Demographic processes become an engine of the economic development. The EU aid actions stimulate the development of the entities creating "silver economy", among others, the small and medium enterprises being active in different market fields.

Special guest:

François Vellas, President, AIUTA, International Association of Universities of Third Age, France

Moderator:

Wiesława Borczyk, President of the Board, Nationwide Polish Federation of Third Age University Associations, Poland

Speakers:

Joanna Augustynowska, Member, Parliament, Poland

Wojciech Kozak, Deputy Marshal, Małopolska Region, Poland

Grzegorz Lot, Vice-President of the Management Board, TAURON Sprzedaż Sp. z o.o., Poland

Janusz Marszałek, President / Vicepresident, Polska Unia Seniorów/Europejska Unia Seniorów, Poland

Dariusz Rostkowski, Adviser, Department of Education & Publishing, National Bank of Poland, Poland

Marzena Rudnicka, President, Polish Institute of Silver Economy, Poland

Maciej Staszak, Vice President, EmiTel Sp. z o.o., Poland Chief Information Officer, Social Insurance Institution (ZUS)

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: Sadecki University of the Third Age

Senior – Citizen. How to Use the Potential and Activity of Seniors for the Benefit of the Civil Society?

Politicians on regional, state and EU level should stimulate active ageing to a greater extent than before. Solutions including the needs of changing age structure of population are essential for this. However, the most crucial challenge is to encourage seniors to participate in active and health aging and to use the potential of older generation for civil society.

*Special guest:***Roza Thun**, Member, European Parliament, Poland*Moderator:***Malgorzata Stanowska**, President, Lublin University of the Third Age, Poland*Speakers:***Barbara Fustochenko**, Rector UTA, Uniwersytet Trzeciego Wiek przy ZS "Polska Macierz Szkolna", Belarus**Leif Hallberg**, Honorary President, European Senior Citizens' Union, Sweden**Wojciech Kaczmarczyk**, Secretary of State, Chancellery of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland, Poland**Jozef Lassota**, Member, Parliament, Poland**Alina Respondek**, Foundation for the Development of the Education System, Poland**Michal Szczerba**, MP, Deputy Chairman of the Committee on the Senior Citizens' Policy, Parliament, Poland**Malgorzata Zwiercan**, Member, Parliament, Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

What Is the Future of the Young Generation? Trends and Challenges for Education, Labour Market, Capital Market and Pension Scheme in Poland and Europe

A debate on important matters of young generation of Poles and Europeans. The debate will concentrate on key problems related to educational system, labour market, young people's chances of entering labour market as well as the prospects for capital market and social security systems. Participants, together with the young leaders, will focus on the most important development directions.

*Moderator:***Sebastian Barański**, expert, European Meeting Centre – Nowy Staw Foundation*Speakers:***Gian Paul Gauci**, Expert, Youth Platform of the European Labour Affairs Centre EZA, Malta**Wladyslaw Kosiniak-Kamysz**, President, Polish People's Party, Poland**Tibor Navracsics**, Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, European Commission, Hungary**Dragoş-Nicolae Pislaru**, Minister, Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Protection and Elderly, Romania**Grzegorz Chłopek**, CEO, Nationale – Nederlanden**Karol Leszczyński**, expert, Foundation of Youth Initiatives, Poland**Anna Zalewska**, Minister of Education, Poland**Waldemar Zbytek**, Director of the Programme Modern Business Management, Poland

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15:35—16:50 Special Events

Do Young People Need History?

We can observe in recent years that schools are moving away from teaching history for the benefit of teaching practical subjects and new skills. Yet, employers highlight that social competences and general knowledge is essential for every young person to allow them to be competitive on the labour market. Hence, the participants of Economic Forum of Young Leaders will ask the following questions: 'Do we need history as a subject to be taught in schools and universities?' 'Do we need history, traditions and patriotic values in our everyday life?' Finally, how do culture and history affect the development of cities and regions.

Speakers:

Piotr Głinski, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Culture and National Heritage, Poland

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: American Chamber of Commerce in Poland (AmCham)

The Impact of the US Investments on Economic Development in Poland

The panel will discuss the impact and the role of US investment in the development of the Polish economy. We will present examples of the American companies and their impact on GDP, the labor market, the environment, and the development of a wide supply chain. The panel aim at answering the question about the role of foreign investors and the state as ensures of further economic growth in Poland and continued favorable investment climate.

Moderator:

Tony Housh, Chairman of the Board of Directors, American Chamber of Commerce in Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Pavel Adamovsky, Managing Director, UPS Polska sp. z o.o., Poland

Sebastian Arana, Managing Director, 3M Poland Sp. z o.o., Poland

Joanna Bensch, Country Manager, CH2M HILL POLSKA LTD, Poland

Joanna Cygler, Expert, Institute of Innovative Economy, Poland

Tadeusz Koscinski, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Jacek Siwicki, President, Enterprise Investors, Poland

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Deficit of Social Capital. A Barrier to Development of a Country?

The high level of social capital – in other words building relations, cooperation, communication, trust and creativity – is rightly perceived as a foundation of the social and economic development. In Poland, the deficit of social capital and the lack of growth competences becomes a barrier to development. What can and what should be done to build social trust and to support openness for different social networks and to develop good practices in common actions, in business and in social life alike.

Moderator:

Juliusz Braun, Expert, BRAUN, Kultura i Media, Poland

Speakers:

Ryszard Florek, President of the Board, FAKRO Sp. z o.o., Poland

Anna Giza-Poleszczuk, Vice-Rector for Development and Financial Policy, Warsaw University, Poland

Beris Gwynne, Founder and Managing Director, Incitare, Switzerland

Andrzej Klesyk, Poland

Wladyslaw Kosiniak-Kamysz, President, Polish People's Party, Poland

Witold Kolodziejski, Poland

Yaroslav Zhalilo, Leading Research Fellow, Institute for Economics and Forecasting, NAS of Ukraine, Ukraine

Maciej Zieba, President, Tertio Millennio Institute, Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

The Boss: a Dictator or a Friend? Management Models

In an open society and economy the model of leadership competencies has also changed. The representatives of different areas of social and economic life invited to this panel will try to answer the questions: Is there a universal management model? Can “military discipline” be used when managing businesses, and the sport-styled “competitive spirit” when running an army? How to respect independence and build a sense of common responsibility for results among employees? How has digital revolution changed the rules of management?

Moderator:

Beata Tadla, Expert, Poland

Speakers:

Mieczyslaw Bieniek, General, PhD (r.), The Andrzej Frycz Modrzewski Krakow University College, Poland

Emilian Kaminski, Director, The Kamienica Theater, Poland

Czeslaw Lang, General Director, Lang Team, Poland

Pawel Rabiej, Member of the Board, Nowoczesna Ryszarda Petru, Poland

Krzysztof Skora, President of the Board, CEO, KGHM Polska Miedz S.A., Poland

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Does State–Ownership Make Sense in the Market Economy?

Moderator:

Janusz Steinhoff, Advisor, PwC Polska Sp. z o.o, Poland

Speakers:

Miguel Athayde Marques, Professor, Católica–Lisbon School of Business & Economics, Portugal

Bogdan Marius Chiritoiu, President, Competition Council, Romania

Ryszard Kalisz, Lawyer, Law Office, Ryszard Kalisz, Poland

Janusz Korwin–Mikke, CEP, European Parliament, Poland

Stefan Swiatkowski, Executive Vice President & CFO, KGHM Polska Miedz S.A., Poland

Marek Zagorski, Secretary of State, Ministry of Treasury, Poland

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: Lufthansa

The CEE Aviation 2020 Outlook and Challenges for the Coming Years

It is already known that the state budget for 2017 has estimates for nearly 18.5 billion for transport and infrastructure. The amount allocated to the aviation sector is only 90 million PLN. These ratios have been almost the same for years. Is air transport in Poland underinvested? As per the airports: which ones– small or large – are more likely to be developed? Will budget airlines dominate the aviation market in Europe? What is the impact of PLL LOT situation for the aviation market in Poland? Is the airline industry capable of competing with other means of transport with regard goods transporting?

Moderator:

Jedrzey Puzynski, Project Manager, Economy Consultants Group TOR, Poland

Speakers:

Rafał Milczarski, CEO, LOT Polish Airlines, Poland

Marcin Opalinski, President of the Board, LS Airport Services S.A, Poland

Frank Wagner, Country Manager Poland, Lufthansa, Poland

Radoslaw Wloszek, President, Krakow Airport, Poland

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: Polish National Cluster of Innovative Enterprises

Program POLAND 3.0 – Central Industrial District of the 21st Century

International transportation network, development of logistics centers, New Silk Road – these are the key mega-projects for Europe in the transnational economic program POLAND 3.0. POLAND 3.0 a coherent economic plan for Poland, and the cross-border regions. It aims at creating a single multimodal transportation plane, by restoring the navigability of the Polish rivers, constructing the largest in Europe, trans-national Logistics Centre Gorzyczki – Věřňovice, joining the New Silk Road and the Oder Waterway, as well as by restructuring the mining industry and creating an ecosystem of innovation. The program responds directly to the needs of the Polish economy and constitutes the flywheel of its future development. It is the most important program which facilitates closer cooperation and building of a stable European economy.

*Moderator:***Bogdan Wegrzynek**, President of the Board, Polish National Cluster of Innovative Enterprises, Poland*Speakers:***Victoria Ivanova**, Economic Affairs Officer, The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Switzerland**Angelika Jaroslawska**, Project Coordinator, Poland 3.0, Poland**Jerzy Kwiecinski**, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland**Pawel Stelmaszczyk**, Special Envoy for European Mobility Network, European Commission, Belgium**Hailong Wang**, Chairman, CRSC, Research & Design Institute Group, China

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Ukraine – a Barrier or a Bridge Between the East and the West?

Relations with Russia and other countries born from the breakup of the Soviet Union are an important component of the international and economic policy of Ukraine. During the last few years, the collaboration between the post-Soviet countries has changed considerably. What are the prospects for these relations after Crimea's annexation and the frozen crisis in Donbas? Does Ukraine have assets to strengthen its position in this region?

*Moderator:***Neil Buckley**, Eastern Europe Editor, Financial Times, United Kingdom*Speakers:***Neil Barnett**, Research Fellow, Centre for Policy Studies, United Kingdom**Laurent Chamontin**, Writer, France**Vasyl Kuybida**, Chairman, People's Movement of Ukraine, former Minister of Regional Development and City Mayor of Lviv, Ukraine**Eugeny Ocheretko**, Deputy Chairman, Curator for Russian-Ukraine-EU Communication Group, Institute of Spatial Planning, Development and Foreign Relations, Russia**Jacek Protasiewicz**, Member, Parliament, Poland

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Europe on the Edge. Western Civilisation Faced with Muslim Fundamentalism

First the Arab Spring and then the ongoing war in Syria opened a dangerous abyss, which has subsequently thrived as a breeding ground for jihadists. After the bloody attacks in Paris and Brussels, no one wants to take in thousands of refugees who fail to integrate with Europeans and, even worse, many fear may be the seedbeds of terrorism. Europe is thus facing the most serious humanitarian and community crisis since the end of World War II. Every day, reality lays bare the bankruptcy of multi-culti and begs the question whether the Western civilisation, based on Christianity, should feel threatened.

Moderator:

François Lafond, President, Blue Networks and Opportunities, France

Speakers:

Federico Aznar Fernandez de Montesinos, Commander, Analyst at The Spanish Institute for Strategic Studies, CESEDEN Ministry of Defence, Spain

Jean-Yves Camus, Director of the Observatory of Political Radicalism, Fondation Jean-Jaurès, France

Emanuela Claudia Del Re, President and Chair, EPOS – International Mediating and Negotiating Operational Agency, Italy

Jovan Ratkovic, International Secretary, Social Democratic Party (SDS), Serbia

Krzysztof Szczerski, Secretary of State, Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Maciej Zieba, President, Tertio Millennio Institute, Poland

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15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Ukraine between Europe and Eurasia. In Search of a New Paradigm of Bilateral Relations – New Opportunities, New Risks

The Agreement on Association and Free Trade with the European Union and the conflict with Russia radically changed the nature of relations between Ukraine and its partners and neighbours. New opportunities appeared towards developing relations with the countries of the West. Simultaneously, relations with Russia suffered a significant damage. Kyiv must also re-arrange relations with its traditional partners in the Black Sea region and in the whole area of the former USSR. How do Ukraine and its neighbours find themselves in a new situation?

Moderator:

Iaroslav Mendus, Political Advisor to the Vice-President of the European Parliament, European Parliament, Ukraine

Speakers:

Pawel Kowal, PhD, Institute of Political Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland

Markiyan Malsky, Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, The Ivan Franko National University Lviv, Ukraine

Pavel Prokhorov, Correspondent, “RosBusinessConsulting” Agency, Russia

Alessandro Vitale, Assistant Professor, Milan University, Italy

Pawel Zalewski, Owner, Pawel Zalewski Consulting, Poland

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Achievements and Deficiencies of Democracy: 25 Years of Experience of Central–Eastern Europe

The panelists will discuss:

- Common deficiencies of democracy in Central and Eastern Europe
- Anti–system movements in Central and Eastern European states: a threat for democracy or a chance for political renewal
- Causes of patriotic attitude revival in Central and Eastern European states
- Changes in defining democracy in Central and Eastern Europe
- Fear of migrants vs. mass emigration from Central and Eastern Europe

Moderator:

Waldemar Paruch, Advisor to the Speaker of Parliament, Chancellery of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Włodzimierz Bernacki, Member, Professor, Sejm RP, Uniwersytet Jagielloński, Poland

Ludovit Cernak, CEO, Sitno Group, Slovakia

Istvan Ijgyarto, Minister of State for Cultural And Science Diplomacy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary, Hungary

Paweł Kukiz, Chairman, Klub Poselski Kukiz '15, Poland

František Mikš, Editor in Chief, Centrum pro studium demokracie a kultury, CDK, Czech Republic

Karel Schwarzenberg, Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, Parliament of the Czech Republic, Czech Republic

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

The Carpathian Strategy – A Development Concept for the Central–Eastern European Macroregion

Following issues will be discussed:

- Regional resources – opening balance for the Carpathian Strategy
- Macroeconomic assumptions of the Carpathian Strategy
- Main specific programmes of the Carpathian Strategy
- Projected impacts and consequences of implementing the Carpathian Strategy for the Carpathian region, Central and Eastern Europe and the whole continent
- Legal, international, social and political factors of the Carpathian Strategy

Moderator:

Jerzy Kwiecinski, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

Speakers:

Paul Lindquist, European Committee of the Regions – Member, Sweden

Anatoliiy Matvienko, Deputy, Supreme Council, Ukraine
Zsigmond Perenyi, Deputy State Secretary, The Prime Minister's Office, Hungary

Bogusław Sonik, Member, Parliament, Poland

Mihaela Vrabete, Ministry of Regional Development and Public Administration – Secretary of State, Romania

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Carpathian Region: Challenges and Opportunities for Tourism

The Carpathians have a huge tourist potential across the Czech Republic, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Serbia, Ukraine and Hungary. The region has much to offer both in winter and in summer, with its rich cultural and environmental legacy. These opportunities are not fully exploited, though. How to effectively expand cooperation in terms of tourism in Carpathian states? How to implement the Carpathian Brand and build the Carpathian Sustainable Tourism Platform? How to secure financial resources for the realisation of EU projects? Guests from Switzerland and France will share their respective experiences in building strong regional brands.

Moderator:

Dawid Lasek, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Sport and Tourism, Poland

Speakers:

Emmanuel Broccard, Professor, Institute of Tourism, University of Applied Sciences HES–SO, Switzerland

Eric Dore, General Director, Riviera Cote d'Azur Regional Tourism Committee, France

Klara Dostalova, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Regional Development, Czech Republic

Zoltan Somogyi, Executive Director for Programme and Coordination, World Tourism Organization UNWTO, Hungary

Dezso Török, President, Borsod–Abaúj–Zemplén County Assembly, Hungary

Claudiu Vrinceanu, Secretary of State, Ministry of Economy, Commerce and Relations with the Business Environment, Romania

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Sustainable Development of the Carpathian Region: Transport, Culture, Environment, Resources

Following issues will be discussed:

- Foundations of sustainable development of Europe of the Carpathians
- Threats for sustainable development of Europe of the Carpathians
- Ways, methods and means of overcoming infrastructural collapse of Europe of the Carpathians
- Shaping a friendly environment for inhabitants of Europe of the Carpathians
- Social resources of sustainable development of Europe of the Carpathians
- Between lack of knowledge and ignorance – culture in Europe of the Carpathians
- Geological potential of the Carpathian region

Moderator:

Magdalena Vasaryova, Chairwoman, Živena, the Slovak Women's Association, Slovakia

Speakers:

Andrzej Adamczyk, Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Construction, Poland

Mikhailo Dovbenko, Supreme Council – First Deputy Head of the Committee on Financial Policy, Ukraine

Mariusz Jedrysek, Secretary of State, Chief National Geologist, Government Plenipotentiary for National Raw Materials Policy, Ministry of Environment, Poland

Bogdan Rzonca, Member, Parliament, Poland

Marian Suplata, Associate Professor, Matej Bel University, Slovakia

Participation in discussion:

Ivan Karić, Chairman of the Greens of Serbia, Member, National Assembly, Serbia

Bartosz Tkaczyk, Managing Member, Energizers LLC, United Kingdom

SEPTEMBER 8

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: Airbus Helicopters

Defence Industry in Europe – New Trends and Investments

Recent years have seen a drop in revenues in the armaments industry. This trend continues despite several ongoing regional conflicts, among others in Ukraine, and in the face of threats from the Islamic State. Can increased investment reverse the downward trend? In what equipment should investment be made? What should be the horizon of technological development and modernisation? Is cooperation between national defence industries and global corporations possible?

Moderator:

Lars Winkelsdorf, Journalist, Germany

Speakers:

Tomasz Krysiński, Vice President for Research and Innovation, Airbus Helicopters, France

Robert Limmergard, Secretary-General, Swedish Security & Defence Industry Association, Sweden

Bartosz Kownacki, Secretary of State, Ministry of Defence, Poland

Anton Mikhnenko, Deputy Director, Center for Army, Conversion and Disarmament Studies, Ukraine

Dirk Niebel, Head of international Strategy Development & Government Relations, Rheinmetall AG, Germany

Arkadiusz Siwko, President of the Management Board, Polish Armaments Group, Poland

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Self-Satisfied and Prosperous. Will EU be Able to Develop a Military Momentum if Threatened?

As Russia flexes muscles and extremists knock to Europe's door, Europe has no choice but to sharpen its security policy. How can Europe, representing 23% of world trade and strong of 600 million inhabitants, overcome this apathy to become more than a "paper tiger"? How can the EU define a long-term geopolitical and geo-economic autonomous strategy, based on Realpolitik? What future security and diplomatic agenda may arise in Europe, in Eurasia, in Africa, in Euro-Mediterranean basin, in the close and in far future?

Moderator:

Justyna Pawlak, Bureau Chief, Central and Eastern Europe
Thomson Reuters, Poland

Speakers:

Roger Boyes, Chief Foreign Affairs Commentator, The Times,
United Kingdom

Peter Schulze, Professor, Georg-August-University
Goettingen, Germany

Cyril Svoboda, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Director,
Diplomatic Academy, Czech Republic

Kristian Vigenin, former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Member,
Parliament, Bulgaria

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: Center for Geopolitical Studies

Significance of the Baltic Sea Region within the Transatlantic Security Framework

The Baltic Sea is a region where interests of the NATO and UE countries clash with those of Russia. Since the beginning of the conflict in Ukraine, Russia has been testing patience of the Baltic and Nordic countries by violating their airspace and maritime borders. On the other hand, Finland and Sweden are considering membership in NATO and the Alliance is increasing its presence in Poland and the Baltic Countries. What is the role of the Baltic Sea Region for European security? Should the region could be considered as a weak point of the transatlantic security system? Can Poland and the Baltic Countries expect further build-up of the NATO within their borders? Will regional cooperation be developing and will relations between the European countries and Russia be evolving?

Moderator:

Greta Monika Tuckute, Director, Center for Geopolitical
Studies, Lithuania

Speakers:

Lars-Erik Lundin, Distinguished Associate Fellow European
Security Programme, Stockholm International Peace Research
Institute (SIPRI), Sweden

Andrejs Pantelejevs, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of
Defence, Latvia

Marijus Velicka, Vice Minister, Ministry of National Defence,
Lithuania

Commentators:

Lucio Martino, Advisor to the Guarini Institute for Public Affairs, John Cabot University, Italy

Ryszard Szypra, Expert, The Kościuszko Institute, Poland

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14:25—15:25 Thematic Block

Partner: UNDP

Decentralization, Self-Governance or
Autonomy – A Debate on the Model of the
Modern State in Ukraine

The decentralisation reform is one of the key reforms in Ukraine. What solutions can be brought from the European experience? Poland's experience shows the complex character of this endeavour together with its risks and benefits. How the EU and partners from abroad could assist Ukraine? Can the Polish model of decentralisation prove effective in Ukraine?

**Decentralisation, Autonomy or Self-Government,
Debate Over the Modern State Model in Ukraine**

Moderator:

Kristina Avramchenko, Expert, Institute for Social and Economic Studies, Ukraine

Speakers:

Przemyslaw Andrzejak, Chief Executive Officer, Lodz Regional Development Agency, Poland

Marcus Brand, Democratic Governance Advisor, Head of Strategic Advisory Unit, UNDP, Ukraine

Matteo Cazzulani, Center of Global Studies "Strategy XXI", Analyst, Italy

Gennadiy Druzenko, Member of the Board, NGO "Constitutional Convention", Ukraine

Marcin Swiecicki, Member, Parliament, Poland

Viktor Zamiatin, Leading expert of Political and Legal Programmes, Razumkov Centre for Economic & Political Studies, Ukraine

New Possibilities for Ivano–Frankivsk Oblast after Introducing the Decentralization Reform in Ukraine

Speakers:

Oleg Goncharuk, Head of administration, Ivano–Frankivsk Regional State Administration, Ukraine

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15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Europe Without Borders – Is It Still Possible?

The Schengen Area, gradually including new EU countries, gave Europeans not only the possibility to move freely, but also the feeling that we live in a common Europe. The migration crisis and the terrorist attacks in France cast a shadow over the existing order. Voices criticizing open borders and free movement of people are getting louder. Some countries openly discuss the need to restore border controls. There are also controversial suggestions to create a “mini–Schengen”. Is the end of the EU’s open borders coming closer? Does Europe’s open border policy still have a reason for being?

Moderator:

Richard Stephens, Founder & Editor, Poland Today, United Kingdom

Speakers:

Manlio Di Stefano, Member of the Committee on Foreign and EU Affairs, Chamber of Deputies, Italy

Dirk Hazell, Leader, UK EPP, United Kingdom

Alfred Kovaci, Member of the Board, International Business and Diplomatic Exchange, United Kingdom

Evgeny Kozhokin, Vice Rector for Research, Professor, Department of International Relations and Foreign Policy of Russia, Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO), Russia

Iryna Sushko, Executive Director, Europe Without Barriers, Ukraine

Commentator:

Fabrizio Maronta, Resident Analyst, Limes, Italian Review of Geopolitics, Italy

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

The Role of Ukrainian Business for Europe and Ukraine. Does Ukraine Need a New Marshall Plan?

Ukrainian economy tends to recover after the dramatic GDP decline. Government action is largely correlated with the IMF. These measures, essential for the maintenance of macroeconomic stability in Ukraine, cannot be considered as systemic development support. Are international financial institutions and Western leaders ready to set up a financial assistance scheme customised to Ukraine's needs? Would Ukraine be able to direct foreign aid in a way so as to put the crisis-ridden economy on the growth track?

Moderator:

Oleksandr Chalyi, President, Grant Thornton, Ukraine

Speakers:

Ivanna Klympush-Tsintsadze, Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration, Government of Ukraine, Ukraine

Andrii Nikolaenko, Coordinator, Ukrainian Business Initiative, Ukraine

Jacek Piechota, President of the Board, Polish – Ukrainian Chamber of Commerce, Poland

Dietmar Stuedemann, Ambassador ret.; Senior Adviser, German Foreign Office; Deutsche Bank, Germany

Sergiy Taruta, Deputy of Ukrainian parliament, co-head of interfactional deputy alliance All-Ukrainian Dialogue, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Evhen Utkin, President, Chairman of the Board, KM Core, Ukraine

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: Gazeta Polska

New Perspectives for Financing of Infrastructural Investments as an Opportunity to Develop Transport and Power Industry Infrastructure

Poland's economic development is largely dependent on development of transport and power industry infrastructure. The EU financing for this purpose will be allocated under Connecting Europe Facility – CEF instrument, which replaced the TEN-T programme. How shall we prepare for the new allocation to use the available funding in full?

Special guest:

Andrzej Adamczyk, Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Construction, Poland

Moderator:

Pawel Wozniak, Journalist, Gazeta Polska, Poland

Speakers:

Andrzej Kaczmarek, President of the Board, PSE Inwestycje S.A., Poland

Wojciech Orzech, President of the Management Board, PKP Energetyka S.A., Poland

Marek Wadowski, Vicepresident of the Board for Finance, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland

Marek Wierzbowski, Partner, Prof. Marek Wierzbowski and Partners, Advocates and Legal Counselors, Poland

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *WysokieNapiecie.pl*

Can Poland Afford Innovations in the Energy Sector?

The Polish energy industry can and should be modern. Therefore, what are the criteria for modernity in today's power industry? Is Poland doomed for technology import, or can it develop its own technology? If technology should be developed – who should then decide what technologies should be considered? What is the role of the state and what is the importance of market game? Is energy self-sufficiency possible in face of power union project challenges? What legal and system solutions do enable technology and innovation progress in the Polish energy sector?

*Moderator:***Rafal Zasun**, Editor-in-Chief, WysokieNapiecie.pl, Poland*Speakers:***Jaroslaw Broda**, Vice-President of the Management Board for Asset Management and Development, Tauron Polish Energy SA, Poland**Miroslaw Kowalik**, CEO, ENEA S.A., Poland**Michal Kurtyka**, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland**Ryszard Wasilek**, Vice-President for Development, PGE Polska Grupa Energetyczna S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Long- and Short-Term Energy Security in the EU – Projects and Plans for the Future

Energy security has been one of the most important issues both on national and European level for many years. Can we say that after so many efforts Europe is at last comfortable with its energy security? What is still to be done? What are the biggest challenges we are facing in this respect?

*Moderator:***Pavel Simon**, Editor in Chief, EnergiaWeb.sk, Slovakia*Speakers:***Saulius Bilys**, CEO, AB Amber Grid, Lithuania**Kamil Blazek**, Chairman, Association for Foreign Investment (AFI), Czech Republic**Pablo de Juan Garcia**, Director of the Projects Department, Spanish Energy Club, Spain**Bulat Nigmatulin**, General Director, Institute of Problems of Power Engineering, Russia*Commentator:***Aidas Rimkevicius**, Second Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Making Entrepreneurship and Innovation Deliver in Europe – How Are New Technologies Changing the World of Business?

The development of new technologies has influenced most of human activities, including business. New technologies enable starting a business even with very limited resources that results in a large number of startups and business incubators. In terms of innovation, Central and Eastern Europe seems to keep pace with other countries of the European Union. Nevertheless, a common challenge still remains – how to achieve and sustain an innovation-driven level of economic development in times of an increased digitalization and global competition? How can companies successfully adapt new technologies in order to maximise their profit? What are the success stories of the companies that are leaders in new technologies and what are the differences between individual European regions?

Moderator:

Evgeni Evgeniev, Vice Rector For European Projects and Further Education, VUZF University of Finance, Business and Entrepreneurship, Bulgaria

Speakers:

Rut Bizkova, Consultant, former Minister of Environment and former Chairwoman of Technology Agency of the Czech Republic, Czech Republic

Guy Bromley, Head of EU and International, Advanced Manufacturing, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, United Kingdom

Miguel Sa Pinto, Executive Board Member, Portuguese Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation (IAPMEI), Portugal

Vladimir Solovyov, President, The Non-profit Foundation for Knowledge and Technology “Agroresurs”, Russia
Tobias Szarowicz, Head of Legal and Political Communication, German Startups Association, Germany
Jacek Lukaszewski, Country President, Schneider Electric Poland, Poland

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: *European Institute of Romania*

Cultural and Creative Industries – Growth Potential for the Economies of CEE Countries

The overall objective of the panel is to highlight Cultural and Creative Industries as a growth potential for the economies of ECE countries. Cultural and creative industries are, at the dawn of the 21st century, undergoing considerable change as a result of increased digital technologies, the economic crisis of the past several years, and considerable changes in the regulatory framework. In many regions the creative sector is rapidly growing, outperforming other more established sectors in terms of growth in new businesses, turnover and employment; in many instances the absolute size of the sector now exceeds that of a range of traditional industries.

Moderator:

Gabriela Dragan, General Manager, European Institute of Romania, Romania

Speakers:

Grzegorz Czelej, Deputy Speaker, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Piotr Głinski, Minister, Deputy Prime Minister, Ministry of Culture and National Heritage, Poland

Tibor Navracsics, Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, European Commission, Hungary

Dragoș-Nicolae Pîslaru, Minister, Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Protection and Elderly, Romania

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15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Polska2041*

Labour Market 2016: Between 500+, Large Corporations, Start-Ups and Entrepreneurship Promotion

Speakers:

Anna Rulkiewicz, CEO, LUX MED Group, Poland

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10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Optimizing Healthcare System in Poland

Healthcare – curative medicine, health protection and public health activities create the healthcare system. In the health sector, besides the medical issue, management structure, sources and way of funding have an important roles. The system will work efficiently if these elements have a high level. Nowadays, the healthcare system structure in Poland is not focused on efficiency. If market mechanisms/competition in the healthcare system influence the level of health care?

Optimizing Healthcare System in Poland

Special guest:

Stanisław Karczewski, Marshal of the Senate, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Moderator:

Krzysztof Jakubiak, Editor-in-Chief, Puls Medycyny, Poland

Speakers:

Maciej Banach, Director, Polish Mother's Memorial Hospital Research Institute, Poland

Jarosław Bulka, Vice-President, Telemedycyna Silvermedia Sp. z o.o, Poland

Katarzyna Glowala, Undersecretary State, Ministry of Health, Poland

Marek Haber, Member, Malopolska Regional Assembly, Poland

Andrzej Kosiniak-Kamysz, Director, Specialized Hospital Józefa Dietla, Poland

Andrzej Matyja, President, The Regional Chamber of Physicians and Dentists in Cracow, Poland

Robert Sinclair, Senior Medical Adviser, Region Västra Götaland, Sweden

Marcin Wegrzyniak, Director, Centre for Health Information Systems, Poland

Marian Zembala, Slaskie Centrum Chorob Serca w Zabrze, Poland

Medivio, the Solution for Coordinated Healthcare

Speakers:

Mariusz Borkowski, Business Unit Manager, Adamed Sp. z o.o, Poland

Reducing Inequalities in Access to Health Care – a Challenge for the Healthcare System

There has been a discussion about planned changes in health care for a long time. Do the planned changes in the healthcare system eliminate differences in access to diagnostic and treatment? Equal Access to health protection on the population-level is beginning to be regulated but is it possible to have equal chances of entry health care for patients with rare diseases? Health prevention is better than bearing the cost of treatment, recovery and absenteeism from work, but will prevention activities always be effective? The discussion during the panel lets you find answers to these questions.

Moderator:

Renata Furman, Editor, Journalist, Sanitas Sp. z o.o, Poland

Speakers:

Nina Chala, Head of School of Public Health, University of "Kiev–Mohyla Academy", Ukraine

Zbigniew Gaciong, Chair of the department, Medical University of Warsaw, Poland

Marcin Gruchala, Rector, Medical University of Gdansk, Poland

Jerzy Gryglewicz, Lecturer, Lazarski University, Poland

Katarzyna Glowala, Undersecretary State, Ministry of Health, Poland

Wojciech Kozak, Deputy Marshal, Malopolska Region, Poland

Maciej Krzakowski, Oncological Centre, M. Skłodowska–Curie Institute in Warsaw, Head of the Lung Cancer and Chest Tumour Clinic, Poland

Sylvia Spurek, Vice Ombudsman, Ombudsman, Poland

Commentator:

Peter Nowak, Senior Account Manager, BKK VBU Health Fund, Germany

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13:30—14:45 **Thematic Block**

Partners: **Federation of the Unions of Health Care Employers Porozumienie Zielonogórskie**
Philips

Patient Care Coordinated by General Practitioners

Coordinated Care (CC) is currently a popular subject in Poland but understanding and the definition of it is not unequivocal. This model of managed care is described differently by different bodies placed on different levels of health care system. Important for the debate on and implementation of coordinated care in Poland is presenting own concept and understanding of coordinating care of patients. During the Panel, an ongoing summary of ongoing discussion about CC together with precise statement of primary health care professional society about crucial aspects for implementation.

Patient Care Coordinated by General Practitioners

Special guest:

Konstanty Radziwiłł, Minister, Ministry of Health, Poland

Moderator:

Malgorzata Galazka-Sobotka, Head of the Center of Post-graduate Studies, Lazarski University, Poland

Speakers:

Michał Kepowicz, External Relations Director, Philips, Poland
Anna Kozieł, Senior Health Specialist, The World Bank, Poland
Jacek Krajewski, President, Federacja Związków Pracodawców Ochrony Zdrowia Porozumienie Zielonogórskie, Poland

Maciej Milkowski, Vice President, National Health Fund, Poland

Mirosław Wysocki, Director, The National Institute of Public Health – National Institute of Hygiene (NIPH – NIH), Poland

Patient Care Coordinated by General Practitioners

Speakers:

Andrzej Zapasnik, Expert, Federacja Związków Pracodawców Ochrony Zdrowia Porozumienie Zielonogórskie, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

15:00—16:40 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Małopolska Region*

Telecare and Telemedicine: Seniors and New Technologies – Contradiction or Cohesion

Challenges standing in front of telemedicine and telecare. Which areas of life should be included in telecare services? Telemedicine – an opportunity to improve public healthcare? How to encourage hospitals and patients to use telecare? Coordination of activities by self-governance authorities – a good or a bad idea? IT systems in telemedicine and telecare. Financing telemedicine – public system/participation/commercialisation? Legal system and development of telemedicine.

Moderator:

Marzena Rudnicka, President, Polish Institute of Silver Economy, Poland

Speakers:

Jarosław Bulka, Vice-President, Telemedycyna Silvermedia Sp. z o.o, Poland

Tomasz Grodzicki, Collegium Medicum Prorektor JU, Jagiellonian University Medical College, Poland

Wojciech Kozak, Deputy Marshal, Malopolska Region, Poland

Dorota Ogonowska, Expert, Ogólnopolska Federacja Stowarzyszeń Uniwersytetów Trzeciego Wieku, Poland

Jarosław Pinkas, Secretary of State, Ministry of Health, Poland

Wojciech Szafranski, President of the Board, L. Rydygier Specialist Hospital in Cracow, Poland

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10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Partner: *Senate of the Republic of Poland
Iceland News Polska*

Emigration – How to Respond to Current Challenges?

Along with increasing post-accession emigration and Polish diaspora in EU and EEA countries comes a need for creating communication platforms for Polish communities and emigrants. How do the Polish media function abroad? How does their cooperation with Poland look like? Does cross-border media cooperation exist?

Media and Emigration – United or Divided?

Moderator:

Marta Magdalena Niebieszczanska, CEO, Editor, Iceland News Polska, Iceland

Speakers:

Malgorzata Bos-Karczewska, Editor-in-Chief, Polonia.nl, The Netherlands

Oleg Chervinskiy, Publisher, Almatyński Kurier Polonijny (Polish Journal in Almaty), Kazakhstan

Joanna Irzabek, Editor-in-Chief, mojanorwegia.pl, Poland

Czesław Okinczyc, Chairman, Radio “ZNAD WILII”, Lithuania

Tomasz Wolff, Editor-in-Chief, Głos Ludu, Czech Republic

Participation in discussion:

Paweł Grabowski, Journalist, Iceland News Polska, Poland

Poles in Italy

Speakers:

Ugo Melchionda, President, IDOS – Study and Research Centre, Statistical Dossier on Immigration, Italy

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Women – Plodders or Trendsetters of Economic Life? A Central European Perspective

CEE countries have successfully transformed their economies within the last decades, but there are still sectors as education or healthcare which still have to be modernized. On the other hand, the employment rate of women in those sectors reaches 80–90%. How long will the women plod being poorly paid and wait for “men’s” decisions from above? Why are they waiting for the reform proposals made by the ministers, hospital and schools directors instead of taking the initiative? What has to be done in order to increase the women’s real influence on the reform processes? How does this situation look like in other countries?

Moderator:

Magdalena Vasaryova, Chairwoman, Živena, the Slovak Women’s Association, Slovakia

Speakers:

Aurora Martin, Senior Advisor, National Agency for Equal Opportunities, Ministry of Labour, Romania

Beata Superson-Polowiec, Partner, Polowiec i Wspólnicy Law Firm, Poland

Eszter Szabo, Advisor to the Chairman, Hungarian Business Leaders Forum (HBLF), Hungary

SEPTEMBER 8

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Senate of the Republic of Poland*

Activities of Local Governments on the International Arena. Cross-border Cooperation

The local government is not only an administration tool – it also stimulates development of civil society, economic potential and innovativeness.

Cross-border cooperation is characterised by local and regional collaboration. The diversity of problems and opportunities in Europe renders such alliances indispensable, as they support peace, freedom, human rights, protection of ethnic and national minorities and good neighbourly relations. Thanks to such cooperation, border and cross-border regions serve as bridges which unite Europe.

The aim of the panel is to present good practices in international local government cooperation, with the inclusion of its cross-border dimension.

Moderator:

Wladyslaw Ortyl, Marshal, Podkarpackie Region’s Marshal’s Office, Poland

Speakers:

Halina Csucs, Deputy, Polish Affairs Spokesman, Hungarian National Assembly, Hungary

Stanislaw Folwarczny, Deputy Mayor, Cesky Tesin, Czech Republic

Maria Koc, Deputy Speaker Of The Senate, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Ryszard Nowak, Mayor, Municipality of Nowy Sacz, Poland

Tomasz Rozniak, Vice-President, Institute for Eastern Studies, Poland

Jakub Skiba, Secretary of State, Coordinator of German Polish Intersocietal and Cross Border Cooperation, Ministry of the Interior and Administration, Poland

Commentator:

Maria Szonert Binienda, Vice President of Polish Affairs, The Polish American Congress, USA

SEPTEMBER 8

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Fundacja StartUp Hub Poland

Attracting High-Tech Talents to Poland

Poland is the second most deprived country in terms of specialist talents EU's (Romania is the first one in the ranking). We are at the 23rd position in the Bloomberg Innovation Index, but instead of exporting advanced technologies we still 'export' technologists (a distant 38th position in the Talent Attractiveness Index). The contrast at the two areas shows how much energy and how many investment projects will never bring any economic or social profit to the state. The new generations of graduates from technology schools acquire the belief that a real career is possible only abroad. The purpose of the panel is to evaluate the solutions that can be applied in Poland in the area of promotion of the Polish development chances abroad, scholarship programmes, investment instruments and soft-landing programmes. The first Polish teams that won competition with other innovation hubs in the world, as well as the results of pilot programmes of talent attracting will be presented.

Moderator:

Maciej Sadowski, President of the Board, Startup Hub Poland, Poland

Speakers:

Lidia Adamska, President & CEO, Cavinova SA, Poland

Marek Borzestowski, Partner, Giza Polish Ventures, Poland

Sergey Jakimov, CEO, Vortex Oil Engineering SA, Latvia

Stanislaw Karpinski, Professor, SGGW – Warsaw University of Life Sciences, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Developing a Country's Image on the International Stage

Developing an effective image strategy is one of priorities for every country. The image is an indicator of the future development of a country and a country's showcase at the international level. One of the most important factors forming the image, apart from political, diplomatic, social and information issues, is economy. How big is this economic factor's impact on the creation of a positive image and how can it contribute to the economic growth of a country?

Moderator:

Ritwik Mukherjee, Senior Assistant Editor & Bureau Chief,
 Financial Chronicle, India

Speakers:

Andrea Bandirali, Member, DIF e V., Germany

Oana Bizgan, Director, BusinessRomania – Department for
 Trade and Investment, Romania

Ksenia Lyapina, Head of Service, National Regulatory
 Administration of Ukraine, Ukraine

Jock Mendoza-Wilson, Director of International and Investor
 Relations, System Capital Management, Ukraine

Bartłomiej Pawlak, CEO, Polish Information and Foreign
 Investment Agency, Poland

David Thomas, Executive Chairman, Council of British
 Chambers of Commerce in Europe, United Kingdom



The Regions Forum takes place in Krynica-Zdroj.
 Certain recreational events will be held in Muszyna.

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10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Low-Carbon Economy in Communes

How to effectively improve energy efficiency, increase usage of renewable energy sources and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in regions? How do Low-Carbon Economy plans prepared by the communes and municipalities affect the ecological modernisation of energy production and climate protection? How to effectively spend the funds allocated by the EU for this purpose?

Moderator:

Maciej Kielbus, Lawyer, Pismo Samorządu Terytorialnego WSPÓLNOTA, Poland

Speakers:

Kazimierz Kujda, President of the Management Board, National Fund for Environmental Protection and Water Management, Poland

Zbigniew Michniowski, Mayor's Proxy for Sustainable Development, Bielsko-Biala City Council, Poland

Paweł Pitera, Vice Chairman of the Board, Bank Ochrony Środowiska S.A., Poland

Krzysztof Rodak, President, Municipal Heat Supply Company in Tarnow, Poland

Marta Szigeti Bonifert, Executive Director, Regional Environmental Center for Central & Eastern Europe (REC), Hungary

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

The Influence of Territorial Marketing on the Competitiveness of Cities and Regions

In the conditions of growing competition it is extremely important to make one's offer distinguishable and gain trust of investors or tourists. Territorial marketing is one of the key tools to support socio-economic development of cities and regions, thus improving the quality of life of their inhabitants. How do local governments use or can use their brand to build a competitive advantage?

Moderator:

Blazej Grabowski, Vice-President of the Board, Oficyna Wydawnicza Rynek Polski, Poland

Speakers:

Jan Farsky, Member, Chamber of Deputies, Czech Republic

Myron Jankiv, Rector, Lviv Institute of Management, Ukraine

Jacek Protas, Member, Parliament, Poland

Inmaculada Valencia, Director Brussels Office, Regional Government of Cantabria, Spain

Jacek Wisniowski, Mayor, Lidzbark Warmiński City Council, Poland

Leszek Zegzda, Member of the Board, Malopolska Region, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: Development Agency Zagreb

How Can Big Data Foster Digital Economy in Local Communities?

We produce and we are surrounded by all sorts of data, in all industry sectors and in our everyday lives. Technology allows us to collect and measure it. However, the problem that is starting to arise more and more is not having the right models to analyse these massive volumes of data and to create new values from it. Data is considered a new fuel of the economy and Big Data is the fuel of the digital economy. Its value increases with every use and it brings about a change in paradigms. We are now able to create new products and services based on Big Data. Are we ready to take advantage of Big Data? The value of the economy today, and even more so tomorrow, lies in data. We need to find the models of using the data in proper and productive way so we could foster community growth. Big Data projects are beginning to flourish everywhere, from multinationals to SMEs and across all industry sectors. Data is becoming a new currency.

*Moderator:***Frane Sesnic**, Director, Development Agency Zagreb, Croatia*Speakers:***Jan Tadeusz Duda**, Member, Malopolska Regional Assembly, Poland**Krzysztof Glomb**, President of the Board, Cities on Internet Association, Poland**Sergej Lugovic**, Social Tehnologist, Professor, Zagreb University of Applied Sciences, Croatia**Michał Mozdzonek**, Member of the Board Chief Information Officer, Social Insurance Institution (ZUS)**Oksana Savchuk**, Secretary, Ivano–Frankivsk City Council, Ukraine

SEPTEMBER 8

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Małopolska Region

Investments and Innovations as a Pillar of the Economic Development of Regions

Investments form the basis of the economy of countries and regions. Investments form the basis of the economy of countries and regions. In the next five years, more than EUR 16 billion from national and regional programmes will be assigned to investments in innovation and support for the development of Polish regions. This is possible thanks to the collaboration of central governments, local authorities and business ventures. How do European regions gain investors and implement innovations?

*Moderator:***Grzegorz Lipiec**, Member of the Board, Malopolska Region, Poland*Speakers:***Stepan Barna**, Head, Ternopil Regional State Administration, Ukraine**Maria–Luisa Delgado–Medina**, Deputy Director General for Promotion of Competitiveness, Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, Spain**Witold Stepień**, Marshal, Lodz Region's Marshal's Office, Poland**Peter Szegvari**, Chief Advisor of the Mayor, Municipality of the City of Budapest, Hungary**Grzegorz Wolszczak**, Operations Officer, The World Bank, Poland**Kiejstut Zagun**, Director, KPMG in Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

In Search of Efficiency for Big Investment Projects

Major infrastructural projects became a Polish trademark and a driving force of our economy. Poland has rich and diversified experience with the implementation of EU-financed projects (based on Cohesion Fund 2004–2006, IROP 2004–2006, OPI&E 2007–2013 and 2014–2020). The debate will address EU funding possibilities in the fields of transportation and environment as well as discuss common obstacles in project implementation and investments plans beyond 2020.

Moderator:

Arkadiusz Mularczyk, Member, Parliament, Poland

Speakers:

Jacek Bojarowicz, General Director, General Directorate for National Roads and Motorways, Poland

Piotr Czarnocki, Ministry of Environment, Poland

Olgierd Dziekonski, Advisor to the Chairman, Polish Chamber of Civil Engineers, Poland

Marek Sowa, Member, Parliament, Poland

Witold Słowik, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

The Future of Windfarms

The new law on investments in wind power introduced a requirement for farms to be located at appropriate distances from buildings, forms of nature conservation and forest promotional complexes. Representatives and experts of the energy industry sector are concerned that the proposed amendments will lead to the inhibition of energy production, as well as completely prevent the construction of new power plants powered by wind. Are their concerns legitimate? Which solutions are used by our Western neighbours? What can we learn from them?

Moderator:

Bartłomiej Derski, Journalist, WysokieNapiecie.pl, Poland

Speakers:

Taras Fedak, Deputy Director for Development, Eco-Optima LLC, Ukraine

Marcin Fronia, Board Member, Executive Director, Norden Centrum, Poland

Ivan Karic, Chairman of the Greens of Serbia, Member, National Assembly, Serbia

Janusz Piechocki, Mayor, Margonin City Council, Poland

Maciej Stryjecki, President of the Board, Foundation for Sustainable Energy, Poland

Philippe Vlaeminck, Partner, Pharumlegal, Belgium

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Revitalisation – Multidimensional Process of Changes in the Modern Cities

According to the new law, revitalization is not only a process of renewal architectural and urban space of cities, but also a very wide process in which everyone has to participate, namely – local governments, inhabitants, business, academia. Revitalization is a dialogue with the community which aims to change a given space through innovative solutions in the field of architecture, society, economy or environment.

Moderator:

Bartosz Piłat, Journalist, Gazeta Wyborcza daily, Poland

Speakers:

Dalia Bardauskiene, Advisor to the Mayor, City of Vilnius, Lithuania

Damian Bartyla, Mayor, City Hall of Bytom, Poland

Emilio D'Alessio, Honorary President, International Policies Consultant, Italian Local Agenda 21 Association, Italy

Stanislaw Frnka, Country CEO, HB Reavis Poland, Poland

Przemysław Staniszewski, Mayor, Zgierz City Council, Poland

Inese Sulzanoka, Head of the Representative Office in Poland, Investment and Development Agency, Latvia

Hanna Zdanowska, Mayor, Lodz City Council, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Cities Invest in Culture – What are the Profits?

Big festivals, museums, opera houses and architectural monuments are now more frequently seen as crucial factors which affect the image of a city. They attract tourists and have influence on the city's attractiveness. However, culture is not only a tool of promotion – it is mainly an important social development driver. It is thanks to the cultural competences and the participation in culture that we build our identity and a sense of belonging to the community. We are more creative, innovative, open and tolerant. What is more, culture and cultural industries are the direct drivers of development as they are among the fastest developing sectors of industry.

Moderator:

Juliusz Braun, Expert, BRAUN, Kultura i Media, Poland

Speakers:

Rafal Dutkiewicz, Mayor, Wroclaw City Council, Poland

Anatoly Kalina, Director, FGBU "National Park" Curonian Spit, Russia

Zsolt Pava, Mayor, Municipality of Pécs, Hungary

Jacek Purchla, Director, International Cultural Centre, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

City Open for Dialogue. How it is Done in Poland and How Abroad?

The correct flow of information between local authorities and citizens is necessary to build civil society. Dialogue with the government allows residents to have a say about their immediate environment. For local authorities, it is an opportunity for better city management and to establish a common understanding with inhabitants. How does social dialogue look like in practice in Polish cities? What positive examples of social dialogue do come to Poland from Western Europe and Scandinavia?

Moderator:

Hanna Sofia Rehnberg, Senior Lecturer, Södertörn University, Sweden

Speakers:

Robert Biedron, Mayor, City of Slupsk, Poland

Ludmila Farkasovska, Deputy Mayor, City of Bratislava, Slovakia

Elena Kucheryavaya, Vice-Director on International Cooperation, NGO Support Centre for Public Initiatives, Russia

Rui Marques, President, Institute of Priest Antonio Vieira (IPAV), Portugal

Yuliia Vusenko, Secretary, Lutsk City Council, Ukraine

SEPTEMBER 8

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Innovation as a Key to Intelligent Development of Cities and Regions

Innovative ideas make people's daily lives easier; modern local and regional administration, working to improve the quality of life – these are just some of the tools that, when undertaken by cities and regions, can attract new residents and investors. How to spend money wisely? Which pioneering solution should be used to provide people with comfort, safety and steady development?

Moderator:

Grzegorz Kadzielawski, Head of the Political Cabinet, Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Poland

Speakers:

Frank Barr, Chairman, Irish EV Owners Association, Ireland

Burim Ejupi, Executive Director, The Institute for Development Policy (INDEP), Kosovo

Oleksandr Hanushchyn, Chairman, Lviv Regional Council, Ukraine

Grzegorz Napieralski, Senator, Senate of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Peter Ramsden, Programme Expert, URBACT, United Kingdom

SEPTEMBER 8

11:30—12:30

Partner: *National Centre for Strategic Studies*

Single Gas Market and Energy Security in the Visegrad States: Models, Challenges, Perspectives

During the panel there will take place an official presentation of the final report of the international NCSS project focused on the gas dimension of energy security in the Visegrad Group region. The main objective of the project was to analyse the capabilities and perspectives of the Visegrad member states in cooperation over creation of a common gas market. During presentation of the report, panelists will also discuss and asses issues related to infrastructure and legislative aspects of the V4 energy security.

Moderating:

Adam Kowalczyk, Director, Narodowe Centrum Studiów Strategicznych, Poland

Participants:

Natalia Slobodian, Expert, Narodowe Centrum Studiów Strategicznych, Poland

Michal Kurtyka, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Energy, Poland

Konrad Szymanski, Secretary of State for European affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Gazeta Wyborcza daily*

Can We Afford 'Repolonization' of the Financial Sector?

Does capital have a nationality? What can repurchasing banks from their foreign owners mean? How much may that cost? Who would pay for that? What would be the costs borne by the taxpayer and the customer? The advantages and disadvantages of 'repolonization'.

Moderator:

Konrad Sadurski, Managing Editor, Gazeta Wyborcza daily, Poland

Speakers:

Jan Krzysztof Bielecki, Chairman of the Partners Board, EY, Poland

Filip Grzegorzczak, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Treasury, Poland

Krzysztof Kalicki, CEO, Deutsche Bank Polska, Poland

Cezary Stypulkowski, President of the Management Board, mBank S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Rzeczpospolita*

Building Long-Term National Equity

Why does Poland need long-term equity? Is it possible to build long-term equity without the interference of the state and changes in legislation? What should be the roles of the state and private entrepreneurs in building national equity? Does the current Polish financial system facilitate building long-term equity? What changes are needed?

Moderator:

Bogusław Chrabota, Editor-in-Chief, *Rzeczpospolita*, Poland

Speakers:

Bogusław Banaszak, Member of the Legislative Council of the Faculty of Law and Administration, University of Zielona Góra, Poland

Paweł Borys, President of the Management Board, Polish Development Fund, Poland

Jacek Chwedoruk, Managing Director, President of the Board, Rothschild & Co, Poland

Zbigniew Jagiello, President of the Management Board, PKO Bank Polski SA, Poland

Iwona Sroka, President & CEO, The Central Securities Depository of Poland (KDPW SA), Poland

Witold Słowik, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Gazeta Wyborcza daily*

Economy – Clean Air – Health

Polish energy-intensive economy is supplied by coal plants, our homes are heated with old furnaces, we drive old cars and breathe more and more polluted air. Polish cities are placed in the top ranks of the most polluted cities in the European Union. What is the solution to all these problems?

Moderator:

Dominika Wantuch, Journalist, *Gazeta Wyborcza daily*, Poland

Speakers:

Jadwiga Emilewicz, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Development, Poland

Jan Golba, Mayor, Town & Municipality of Muszyna, Poland

Andrzej Gula, Chairman of the Board, Krakowski Alarm Smogowy, Poland

Edwards Jefferson, General Manager, Global Gas Policy and Advocacy, Royal Dutch Shell, USA

Witold Smialek, Advisor to the Mayor, Krakow City Council, Poland

Kamil Wyszowski, General Director, Global Compact Network Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Totalizator Sportowy Sp. z o.o

Sport and Olympic Movement after RIO 2016

During the panel, we will present briefly the performance of the Polish Olympic team. We will discuss the major challenges facing the International Olympic Committee, as identified in the Agenda 2020 document. We will also focus on the Olympic disciplines, both new and the ones that are disappearing. A discussion about professionalization of sports will be another item on the agenda. We will attempt to answer the question about the role of sports associations and clubs in the future. We will also touch on the issue of sponsorship

Moderator:

Michał Kołodziejczyk, Journalist, Wirtualna Polska S.A., Poland

Speakers:

Witold Banka, Minister, Ministry of Sport and Tourism, Poland

Mariusz Czerkawski, Former Athlete, Hockey Player, Olympian, Poland

Marcin Diakonowicz, Vice President, Deloitte, Poland

Janusz Kowalski, Vice-President of the Management Board, Corporate, Polish Oil and Gas SA (PGNiG SA), Poland

Adam Krzesinski, General Secretary, Polish Olympic Committee, Poland

Lukasz Lazarewicz, President of the Board, Totalizator Sportowy Sp. z o.o, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

15:35—16:35 Discussion Panel

US Federal Tightening vs. Chinese Slowdown. What Spillovers to Europe?

The world is undergoing two key economic transitions. The first is China's move to a less investment-intensive but more sustainable growth model. The second is the normalization of US monetary policy with the Fed's first interest rate rise since 2006. On one hand, Chinese economy's slowdown puts pressure on commodity markets, triggering sizeable currency depreciations in a number of commodity exporters that rely on Chinese demand. On the other hand, the prospect of tighter US monetary policy means higher financing costs for some borrowers, including emerging and developing economies. What can be the spillovers to Europe?

Moderator:

Borbala Czako, President, Hungarian Business Leaders Forum (HBLF), Hungary

Speakers:

Christopher Dembik, Head of Macro Analysis, Saxo Bank, Denmark

Guillaume Duval, Editor-in-Chief, Alternatives Economiques, France

Grzegorz W. Kołodko, Former Minister of Finance, Professor at Kozminski University, Poland

Jan Vincent-Rostowski, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Partner: *Institute for World Economy and International Relations, RAS*

Global Challenges for Economic Growth: Are Common Responses Possible?

For more than two decades, trade and investment cooperation between the EU and Russia was praised for its role in promoting growth in partner economies. Despite geopolitical tensions, the idea of pooling together European and Russian competitive advantages is still alive. Sluggish recovery in the global economy, energy market volatility, and rapid structural change are just a few common challenges facing both the EU and Russia. Joined efforts to address these challenges can foster revival in economic cooperation as well as improve general climate for finding promising political compromises.

Strategy for the Global Market: Theory and Practical Applications

Speakers:

Vladimir Kvint, Head of Strategic Studies Center at the Institute of Complex Systems Mathematical Research, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia

Global Challenges for Economic Growth: Are Common Responses Possible?

Moderator:

Sergey Afontsev, Director, Economic Theory Department, Institute for World Economy and International Relations, RAS, Russia

Speakers:

Peter Akos Bod, Professor, Economic Policy Department, Budapest Corvinus University, Hungary

Holger Kautzky, Head of Financial Institutions, Commerzbank AG, Germany

Grzegorz W. Kolodko, Professor, Kozminski University, Poland

Carl Marklund, Researcher, Södertörn University, Sweden

Oleksiy Plotnikov, Professor, Institute of World Economy and International Relations of the NAS of Ukraine, Ukraine

Commentator:

Andrey Zchuravlev, Deputy Head of the Russian Secretariat, "Non-Profit Partnership" Association Round Table of Industrialists on cooperation with the European Union, Russia

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Thematic Block

Sport – Health – Money. Part I

“A Healthy Mind in a Healthy Body” – Nowadays, sport plays a significant role not only in the physical and spiritual development of society, but also in the development of economy and tourism. Sport shouldn't be seen only through the competition of professional athletes, but also as a good way to improve quality of life and health of the society. During the discussion panel speakers will answer the questions: does the sport industry affect the economy? Which strategies do have the greatest impact on the development of sport in the conditions of market economy? What role is played by sports marketing in the development of companies?

Sport, Health, Money

Moderator:

Jan Krzysztof Bielecki, Chairman of the Partners Board, EY,
Poland

Speakers:

Lukasz Gontarek, CEO, Superliga Sp. z o.o, Poland

Igor Klaja, President of the Board, OTCF S.A., Poland

Jakub Opara, President of the Board, PL.2012 Sp. z o.o, Poland

Ireneusz Ras, Member, The Chairman of the Physical
Education, Sport and Tourism Committee, Parliament, Poland

**Attracting the Great Sport Events in Italy. Proposal
for a Strategy**

Speakers:

Francesco Tufarelli, Secretary General, Automobile Club
d'Italia, Italy

Cristiano Zagari, International Affairs, Region of Lazio, Italy

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Sport – Health – Money. Part II

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Moderator:

Jan Krzysztof Bielecki, Chairman of the Partners Board, EY, Poland

Speakers:

Adam Korol, Member, Parliament, Poland

Janusz Koziol, Advisor to the Mayor, Krakow City Council, Poland

Czeslaw Lang, General Director, Lang Team, Poland

Artur Mikołajko, President of the Board, INTERSPORT Polska S.A., Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: Serbian Bitcoin Association

Is Bitcoin Slowly Going Mainstream?

1. Bitcoin is giving regulators a headache. Why is it so hard to regulate cryptocurrencies?
2. If you can't beat it – embrace it! Why do the banks invest millions in blockchain technology research?
3. Pros and cons. What are the potential benefits and risks of wider bitcoin adoption?
4. Looking beyond bitcoin. What are the other cryptocurrencies worth mentioning and which new features do they bring us?

Moderator:

Nikola Cvijovic, Co-founder, Serbian Bitcoin Association, Serbia

Speakers:

Mykhailo Chobanian, Founder, Kuna Agency, Ukraine

Aleksandar Matanovic, CEO, EC District, Serbia

Niall Maye, Founder/ Executive Director, Bitcoin Association Northern Ireland, United Kingdom

George Papageorgiou, Member of Faculty, University in Nicosia, Greece

Jure Pirc, PR Manager, Bitcoin Association Slovenia, Slovenia

SEPTEMBER 8

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Being Closer to Citizens – What Is the Future of Local Self–Government?

Debate on current trends and challenges facing local self–government, the role of the young generation in self–government and modern urban and regional governance. Panelists will talk about the present and the future role of the local self–government in Poland and Europe, key challenges facing the local self–government. They will also answer the question of whether the role of local self–government should grow at the expense of central administration and whether the decentralisation of the state is needed to its better functioning.

Moderator:

Bartłomiej Orzeł, Chairman of the Prudentia et Progressus Foundation, FRSE, Poland

Speakers:

Stanisław Bisztyga, Deputy Chairman of the Board, Malopolska Regional Development Agency (MARR SA), Poland

Mariusz Kękuś, City Councillor of the City of Krakow

Jerzy Kwiecinski, First Deputy Minister, Ministry of Development, Poland

Lucjusz Nadberezny, Mayor of the City, Stalowa Wola City Council, Poland

Davit Narmania, Mayor, Tbilisi City Hall, Georgia

Cornelius Ochmann, Director, Member of the Board, Foundation for Polish–German Cooperation

Sylwester Tułajew, Member of Parliament, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Searching for New Models of Economic Development for Europe

European countries, in particular the so–called New Europe, believe that the existing economic models are flawed and unable to satisfy social expectations. Voices are increasingly heard calling for re–nationalization of strategic enterprises and even the entire industries. The market economy dominated by large international players is more and more questioned. As shown by the results of general elections in the CEE countries, people recognize the need for change and support political forces that promise it. Is Central Europe able to develop an alternative, coherent and holistic development program?

Moderator:

Bas Bakker, Senior Regional Resident Representative, Central and Eastern Europe, International Monetary Fund (IMF), Poland

Speakers:

Vladimir Avdiiskii, Deputy Chairman, Dean of the Faculty of Risk Analysis and Economic Security, Financial University under the Government of the Russian Federation, Russia

Stanisław Kluza, Vice President Acting As President, Bank for Environmental Protection, Poland

Jerzy Meyszowicz, Member, Parliament, Poland

Antal Nikoletti, Deputy State Secretary, Ministry for National Economy, Hungary

Andreea Paul, Member, Chamber of Deputies, Romania

Hlib Vyshlinsky, Executive Director, Centre for Economic Strategy, Ukraine

SEPTEMBER 8

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Health Resorts as Part of a Coordinated Health Care System

The key objective and goal of any health care system should keep people in the health and medical fitness. Coordinated Health Care as a universal concept of the medical care management was established in the conditions of a competitive market for health checks and also developing in the country with a single payer national health funding from taxes. Coordinated care is important for health care management to create of contractual relations in the health sector. The medical professionals are motivate to take actions which maximize the efficiency and quality of the services provided.

Moderator:

Mariusz Gujski, Editor-in-Chief, “Służba Zdrowia” medical journal

Speakers:

Arkadiusz Kosowski, Director of the Department of Uniformed Services, National Health Fund, Poland

Tomasz Latos, Member, Parliament, Poland

Maria Ochman, Member of the National Council for the Development, The National Commission for the Protection of Health NSZZ Solidarity, Poland

Robert Szafkowski, National Consultant, Collegium Medicum im. Ludwika Rydygiera w Bydgoszczy, Poland

Jerzy Szymańczyk, President of the Board, Health Resort Krynica–Zegiestow S.A., Poland

Piotr Warczynski, Podsekretarz Stanu, Ministry of Health, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: **Eurispes – Institute of Political, Economic and Social Studies**

Do We Need A Ministry of the Future? Strategy Planning in Economy and Politics Strategy

The vast majority of public and private entrepreneurs and institutions do not operate within the culture of future scenarios but take decisions according to the culture of short-term operational planning. However, the complexity of the world requires a long-term plan and time to build appropriate tools to achieve the objectives. In 2015 the Swedish government decided to set up a Council for the Future, a real Council of Ministers representing some key resorts for the future of the country whose task was to support the Prime Minister in his political choices. Should other states follow the Swedish example?

Moderator:

Marco Ricceri, General Secretary, Eurispes, Institute of Political, Economic and Social Studies, Italy

Speakers:

Mariusz Chłopik, Director, Industrial Development Agency, Poland

Sergiy Datsiuk, Philosopher, Ukraine

Krisztian Szabados, Founder, Director, Political Capital Institute, Hungary

Aleksander Szalecki, Director, Stratego Aleksander Szalecki, Poland

Sergiusz Trzeciak, Consultant in Political Communication, Trzeciak Consulting, Poland

Vesa Vihriala, Managing Director, Research Institute of the Finnish Economy, Finland

SEPTEMBER 8

15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Przegląd Bałtycki/ Baltic Insight*

ICT in Public Administration – Opportunities for Development and Security Challenges

Information and communication technologies allow to enhance public administration, and create a new innovation development stimulus for societies of modern states. On the other hand, more technologies in public administration and democratic mechanisms mean huge challenges and threats to state security. It can be expected that, notwithstanding potential challenges, states will invest increasingly large funds into ICT modernisation. How to reconcile a wide implementation of new technologies in the public sector with the growing presence of cyber threats? What is the optimal way of developing public administration ICT? How does this modernisation affect the societies and economies of states?

Moderator:

Kazimierz Popławski, Editor-in-chief, *Przegląd Bałtycki/ Baltic Insight*, Poland

Speakers:

Tyson Barker, Senior Fellow, Brandenburg Institute for Society and Security (BIGS), USA

John Hobbs, Senior Lecturer, Cork Institute of Technology, Ireland

Cezary Kmiec, Director, Huawei, Poland

Maciej Masłowski, Member, Parliament, Poland

Piret Pernik, Research Fellow, International Centre for Defence and Security (ICDS), Estonia

Juha Saarnio, Senior Advisor and CDO, The Federation of Finnish Technology Industries, Finland

SEPTEMBER 8

10:40—11:55 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Institute for Development and Social Initiatives “Viitorul”*

Soul-Searching in Eastern Partnership States: Moldova Between Reforms and Tribulations

Since 2009, Moldova declared EU integration the foremost priority in its foreign and domestic policies. But, despite remarkable progress in deepening EU course, conflicting political and economic interests within the ruling coalitions stormed the country's domestic stability, bringing Moldova into one of the most serious political crisis in 2015, hampering stability of the main banking institutions and credibility of the state institutions. Endemic corruption, impunity and party control over state institutions hampered reform of judiciary and state service, becoming a serious challenge to reforms. In addition, Moldova's domestic stability is influenced by turmoil in Ukraine, creating a series of chain-effects on society, market and accommodation of national or regional elites to the regional threats and dangers.

Moderator:

Igor Munteanu, Executive Director, Institute for Development and Social Initiatives “Viitorul”, Republic of Moldova

Speakers:

Gheorghe Balan, Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration, Republic of Moldova

Vadim Ceban, First Deputy President, Executive Committee of Gagauzia, Republic of Moldova

Dan Neculaescu, Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Romania

Darren Spinck, Managing Partner, Global Strategic Communications Group, USA

Marek Ziolkowski, Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Poland

SEPTEMBER 8

12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

Partner: *Institute of Europe RAS*

Polarisation of Europe. The Global Crisis and Political Radicalisation of Societies

Internal political polarization in the countries of the European continent from Lisbon to Vladivostok has a single common feature: the rise of extreme radical political forces. What are the causes and conditions for the radicalization of societies: internal, external, subjective, objective, global or regional? How has the global crisis affected the polarization of Europe? Is it a threat to these countries? What scenarios can ensure successful and prosperous development of the continent?

Moderator:

Boris Guseletov, Senior Fellow, Institute of Europe RAS, Russia

Speakers:

Ireneusz Bil, Director, Amicus Europae Foundation, Poland
Brendan Donnelly, Director, Federal Trust for Education and Research, United Kingdom

Yuriy Kmit, Deputy Director, Institute of Cross-Border Cooperation and European Integration, Ukraine

Vladimir Shveytser, Head of Social and Political Studies, Institute of Europe RAS, Russia

Zakhari Zakhariiev, President, Foundation “Slaviani”, Bulgaria

Commentator:

Sophie Haring, Researcher/ Project manager, University of Passau, Germany

SEPTEMBER 8

13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Partner: Polish–Azerbaijani Business Council

Georgia and Azerbaijan – a Window on Europe. How to Strengthen Cooperation?

Over the last decade, these three countries have greatly strengthened cooperation and integration processes. Gas pipelines, oil pipelines, transport corridors, all independent from Russia, run through their territory. They create a kind of portal connecting the East and the West, Asia and Europe. Participants will consider how to use this potential to strengthen cooperation between Europe and Asia, what the chances and threats are.

Moderator:

Dawid Cecuda, Chairman of the Board, Polish–Azerbaijani Business Council, Poland

Speakers:

Sylwester Chruszcz, Deputy Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee, Parliament, Poland

Maria Magdalena Grigore, National Secretary, Ministry of Transport, TRACECA National Secretariat, Romania

Irakli Lekvinadze, Deputy Mayor, Tbilisi City Hall, Georgia

Nazim Mammedov, President, Azerbaijani Economists Club, Azerbaijan

Huseynbala Miralamov, MP, Parliament, Azerbaijan

Andri Veselovsky, Advisory Board member, Institute for Economic&Social studies, Ukraine

Commentator:

Teimuraz Khomeriki, Chair of the Board, Regional Development Resource Center, Georgia

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Partner: International Business and Diplomatic Exchange

The Impact of ‘Panama Papers’ on the Global Economy

The May leak from the Panamanian law firm Mossack Fonseca disclosed a list of above 200 thousand enterprises registered in the so called “tax havens”. This has led to the biggest scandal of this sort in years and the media nicknamed it “Panama Papers”. What is the role of tax havens in the modern economy? Why are they criticised and why politicians, businessmen and celebrities who make use of them are ostracised? What should be done to better protect the existing tax regimes and avoid unnecessary regulations?

Moderator:

Rudi Guraziu, Executive Chairman, International Business and Diplomatic Exchange, United Kingdom

Speakers:

Janet Dine, Professor of International Economic Development Law, Queen Mary University of London, United Kingdom

Stuart D. Gibson, Editor, Tax Notes International, USA

Valery Morozov, Political Advisor, Relational Peacebuilding Initiatives (RPI), United Kingdom

Marko Rakar, CEO, MRAK Services Ltd., Croatia

Oleh Rybachuk, Chairman, NGO Centre UA, Ukraine

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Partner: Open Europe

Europe After Brexit

On 23rd June 2016 the Britons decided that the United Kingdom is to cease being one of the 28 members of the European Union. This was a referendum of fundamental importance for the whole Community. How should the EU politicians and economists approach the result of this referendum? How to plan a strategy for the functioning of the European economic space after the vote? What is the current state of relations between the Britons and other Europeans?

Moderator:

Pieter Cleppe, Head of the Brussels Office, Open Europe, Belgium

Speakers:

Stephen Gethins, Member of Parliament, Shadow SNP Spokesperson (Europe), House of Commons, United Kingdom

Rihards Kols, Member, Saeima, Latvia

Leonid Kozhara, President of the Political Party, Socialists of Ukraine, Ukraine

Viktor Rudenko, Director, Professor, Corresponding Member of RAS, Institute of Philosophy and Law, Ural Branch of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

Marjan Setinc, Vice President, Slovenian Association for International Relations, Slovenia

Francis Zammit Dimech, Member of Parliament, Parliament of Malta, Malta

Commentator:

Simon Thompson, Chief Executive, Chartered Banker Institute, United Kingdom

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11:10—12:00 Presentation

PGNiG on the Global Gas Market

In June 2016 we accepted the first delivery of LNG from Qatar to the Lech Kaczyński Terminal in Świnoujście as part of a long-term contract. Blue fuel is also delivered from Norway. The LNG terminal is a key element of a physical diversification of gas deliveries to Poland which opened new outlook for development of our company. Thanks to the terminal we became part of the global LNG market. Soon we will start trading through our office in London. We proudly invite you to our presentation "PGiNG on the global gas market".

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12:00—13:00 Presentation

LOT 2020: Profitable Growth Strategy of LOT Polish Airlines

How LOT is going to exploit the potential of growing markets, how its network and hub will grow, what is the plan of fleet development and how will Polish carrier fight for the clients? Rafal Milczarski, CEO of LOT Polish Airlines will confirm LOT's directions of development and strategic aims for 2020.

Speaker:

Rafal Milczarski, CEO, LOT Polish Airlines

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10:40—11:55 Thematic Block

Russia–Poland–Europe. Raisons d'Etat and Economic Interests

Geopolitics, dramatic changes on the continent, the European Union policy, a mosaic of political and economic interests of individual countries shape a new dimension of Polish and European relations with Russia. The West as a civilisational choice, the EU as a way to progress socio-economically, NATO as a guarantee of safety and neighbourliness as a concept of relations in the region of Central and Eastern Europe – this all forms the base of the Polish *raison d'état*. At the same time Russia, which used to be one of the most important Polish trade partners, keeps changing and loses this position. Is it possible to create a constructive arrangement of bilateral relations and maintain the development of economic cooperation?

Russia–Poland–Europe. Raisons d'Etat and Economic Interests

Moderator:

Stanisław Ciosek, Member, Programme Council of the Economic Forum, Poland

Speakers:

Igor Delanoë, Deputy Director, French–Russian Observatory (Moscow), France

Vladimir Mikoyan, Representative for Eastern Europe, Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Russian Federation, Russia

Spyridon Sfetas, Associate Professor for Balkan History, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

Nikolay Tomov, Executive Director, Foundation “Slaviani”, Bulgaria

Vadim Volobuev, Senior Research Fellow in Institute of Slavic Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences, Russia

Regional Dimensions of the Crisis in Russia

Speakers:

Natalia Zubarevich, Professor, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia

Leszek Miller, former Prime Minister, Democratic Left Alliance, Poland

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12:05—13:05 Discussion Panel

The Importance of Education in the Formation of the Future European Employees

How should we support education so that the future generations could find their place on the European labour market? What changes should we introduce, if at all, to adjust the situation to the current economic and social needs? In which direction should we go so that schools equip their students with the knowledge and skills that will allow them to sustain themselves in the modern world? Last but not least, what is the role and influence of international cooperation?

Special guest:

Anna Zalewska, Minister, Ministry of National Education, Poland

Moderator:

Gabriele Simoncini, President, GENF International Consulting, Italy

Speakers:

Toshko Krastev, Research Associate, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Bulgaria

Jose Orihuela, Rector – President of Students Section in CRUE, University of Murcia–CRUE, Spain

Tomasz Tokarski, Chairman, Union of Polish Universities, Poland

Oleg Vostrykh, President, Foundation “High School of Professional Politics”, Ukraine

Jiri Zlatuska, Chairman of the Committee on Science, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, Chamber of Deputies, Czech Republic

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13:15—14:15 Discussion Panel

Fundraising: United in Action and Financing

Fundraising allows to unite business around socially important goals. However, it requires not only commitment, but also the will to influence and change social environment in order to build social attitudes conducive to creativity and development of negotiating skills. The idea of the panel is to present possibilities of financing broadly defined cultural initiatives, shaping social attitudes directed towards building cultural ties, which, by consequence, affect politics and economy.

Moderator:

Katarzyna Janowska, Editor in Chief department of culture, Onet–RASP, Poland

Speakers:

Ewa Ger, Managing Partner, Institute for Information and Business Research, Poland

Jan A.P. Kaczmarek, Composer; Founder and Director, Transatlantyk Festival, Poland

Liliana Komorowska, President, Foundation Liliana Komorowska for the Arts Montreal, Canada

Jacek Michalowski, Program Board Chairman, Roman Czernecki Educational Foundation EFC, Poland

Maciej Staszak, Vice President, EmiTel Sp. z o.o., Poland

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14:25—15:25 Discussion Panel

Crimea. Challenges for European Foreign Policy

The annexation of Crimea and the invasion of eastern Ukraine violated territorial integrity of Ukraine and other basic principles of international law. However, the West, Russia and Ukraine are trying to continue a political dialogue to look for opportunities to reduce tensions. But can international order be based only on realpolitik? Is it possible in the present circumstances to restore trust in international relations?

Moderator:

Taras Berezovets, President, NGO “Fund for National Strategies”, Ukraine

Speakers:

Urszula Doroszewska, Advisor, Chancellery of the President of the Republic of Poland, Poland

Anatoliy Matvienko, Deputy, Supreme Council, Ukraine

Krzysztof Stanowski, President of the Board, Solidarity Fund PL, Poland

Nedim Useinov, Member of Coordination Council, World Congress of Crimean Tatars, Ukraine

Roman Larionov, Senior Expert, Center for Political Technologies, Russia

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15:35—16:50 Discussion Panel

Adriatic, Baltic and Black Sea Regions: Prospects for a New Multilateral Partnership

“ABB. Adriatic, Baltic, Black Sea” – a magazine under this name was published in Poland, in the years 1984–89. It was devoted to political and historical issues of the nations of the Adriatic, Baltic and Black Sea regions. Today, ABB appears as a multilateral cooperation proposal of the countries situated in the area between the three seas. The cooperation should above all include the fields of energy, transport and telecommunications. The question about the integration of these neighbouring regions is important especially in the face of the Ukrainian crisis, lack of unanimity within the Visegrad Group and diverse attitudes of individual states towards the policy of the EU and Russia.

Moderator:

Iurii Romanenko, Cofounder, Ukrainian Institute for the Future, Ukraine

Speakers:

Odeta Barbullushi, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Albania

Andrew MacDowall, Economic Correspondent and Analyst, United Kingdom

Andrey Okara, Director, Centre for Eastern European Studies, Russia

Bogdan Rzonca, Member, Parliament, Poland

Vito Tursic, Adviser to the President of Croatia, Coordinator of Adriatic, Baltic and Black Sea Initiative, Office of the President, Croatia

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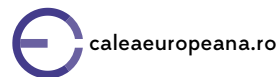
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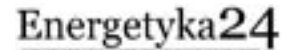
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