

## AGENDA

19:00	Call to Order by Arnis Kākulis, President of AmCham
19:05	Opening Remarks by Sharon Hudson Dean, DCM, U.S. Embassy
19:10	Keynote by Susan Danger, CEO of AmCham EU
19:30	Overview of 2016 and Goals for 2017
20:10	Member Feedback Session & Presentation of Results
20:40	Presentations of Board Candidates & Voting
21:00	Reception
21:15	Election Results







#### **PARTNERSHIP**

between United States and Latvia

#### **BUSINESS & NETWORKING**

forum for our members and partners

### **ADVOCACY**

for a better business environment in Latvia



### **VALUES**







**COOPERATION** 

**EXCELLENCE** 



### STRATEGIC AREAS



PROGRAMS

- relevance of programs, topics and speakers

**ADVOCACY** 

- policy issues

**MEMBERSHIP** 

- recruitment, retention, satisfaction

**FINANCES** 

- responsible fiscal performance

COMMUNICATION

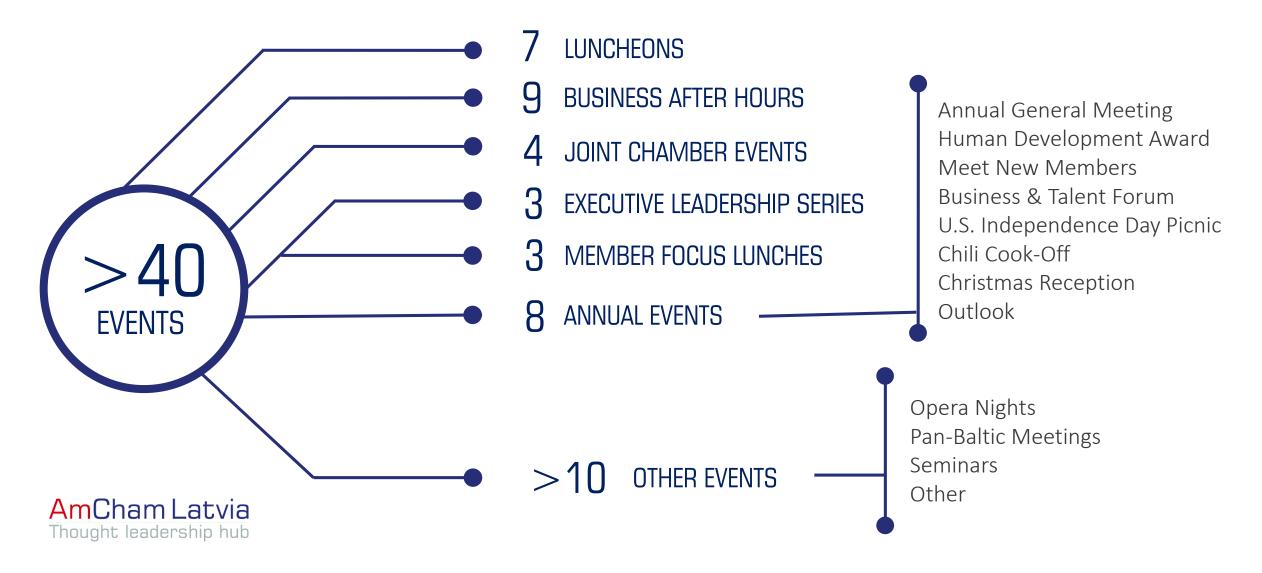
- timely and professional





### **PROGRAMS**





### **PARTNERS**













#### COOPERATION WITH OTHER CHAMBERS

- Pan-Baltic cooperation of AmChams
- Other Chambers of Commerce in Latvia
- U.S. Chamber of Commerce
- AmChams in Europe
- The European Council of American Chambers of Commerce





### GOALS





BUILD A BETTER BUSINESS CLIMATE

LEAD BY EXAMPLE





### **POLICY PRIORITIES 2016**



#### ENHANCING TRANSATLANTIC TRADE

including trade and investment between Latvia and the US

# IMPROVING THE INVESTMENT AND BUSINESS CLIMATE

RESPONSE TO DEMOGRAPHIC CHALLENGES





### **POLICY PRIORITIES 2017**



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# IMPROVING THE INVESTMENT AND BUSINESS CLIMATE

PREPARING THE FUTURE LABOR FORCE IN LATVIA









#### **INFORMATION**

on how to acces the U.S. market

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

of future partners and customers

#### CONNECTION

with new business opportunities and selected partners

#### **SUPPORT**

increasing Latvia's business presence in the U.S.



### **ADVOCACY**



#### TOURISM WORKING GROUP



- established in 2016
- driven and initiated by members
- joint foreign chambers initiative since August 2016

### ACTIVE IN 11 FICIL WORKING GROUPS

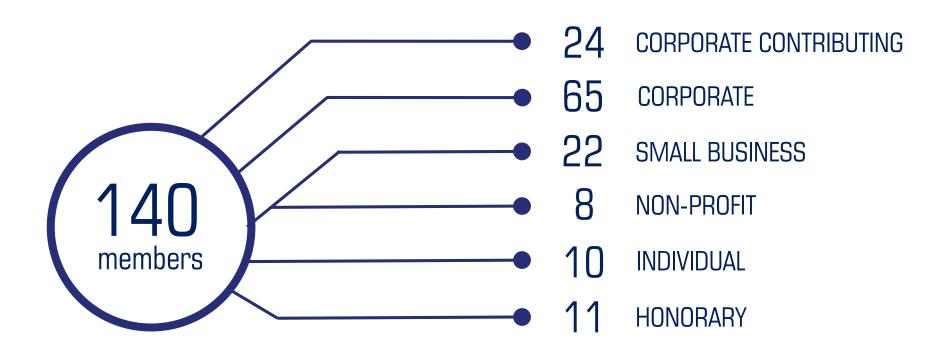
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- Healthcare system
- Insolvency Law Issues
- Intellectual Property Protection
- Investment Protection
- Labor Force issues
- Public Procurement Law
- Sustainable Economic Development
- Tax Policy and Administration
- Transport issues
- Waste Management





### **MEMBERSHIP**





Legal entities and individuals that support the Chamber's mission and goals.



### MEMBERSHIP DYNAMICS



2016 - 2017















### COMMUNICATIONS



#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**







AmCham Latvia



#### **OUR HOMEPAGE**

- information on events and registration
- news
- online membership database
- banner ads marketing opportunity
- special offers

www.amcham.lv



### **PUBLICATIONS**





#### MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Annually published reference guide about the Chamber and its members

#### **E-NEWSLETTER**

Monthly published, electronically distributed

#### **CSR REPORT**

Highlighting best member practices, published semi-annually



Contact details: skola@skrivanek.lv, +371 E

NOTE: Transport expenses required if the c



### SPECIAL OFFERS



#### MARKETING OPPORTUNITY

for members to market their products and services

CONSTANTLY UPDATED

and sent out every month

COUPONS AVAILABLE FOR MEMBERS AND THEIR EMPLOYEES

Contact details: info@domehotel.lv, +3'
Offer includes: Dinner for two at restal sauna with a view on the Cathedral (with ur

ROMANTIC ONE NIGHT STAY A

Valid until February 28, 2013

AmCham Latvia
Thought leadership hub

### **CHARITIES**











#### AMCHAM SUPPORTS 3 CHARITIES

- AmCham hosts 2 events annually to raise funds for the charities
- EUR 1500 raised in 2016
- active member support for charities troughout the year





### BOARD OF DIRECTORS





8 elected, 1 appointed

ALL MEMBERS ARE ELIGABLE TO STAND BEFORE ELECTION

Up to two Individual and Non-Profit members

EACH CANDIDATE IS ELECTED FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM

**ELECTION IS STAGGERED** 

4 positions up for election each year

BOARD MEMBERS MAY SERVE UP TO 3 TERMS CONSECUTIVELY

with one year off before running again





### NOMINATING COMMITEE



#### **ELECTION**

Takes place concurrently with the Board election

#### **FUNCTION**

To fill vacancies on the Board arising between AGMs

#### STRUCTURE

Nominating Committee consists of the current and new board members



### **CANDIDACY**





#### **SELF-NOMINATION**

Candidate nominates himself for the election

#### **BIOGRAPHIES OF CANDIDATES**

published on the AmCham website and available at the AGM

NOMINATIONS FROM THE FLOOR ACCEPTED







### ERIKS EGLITIS INDIVIDUAL MEMBER

I personally share the mission and goals of AmCham, and I am honored to be part of its proceedings. ICT is always about change, being with time, on time, even running ahead of time. Simultaneously - it is a balancing act of losing nothing of what has been built good. That is what I would love to bring to AmCham board: another angle, another viewpoint, to develop further great ideas of this remarkable community.







### ZINTA JANSONS PARTNER AT ELLEX KLAVINS

I look forward to working with AmCham and its members to continue improving the investment climate in Latvia and advancing US and Latvian business relations and achieve a transparent, productive and mutually rewarding investment environment in Latvia.







### ARNIS KAKULIS DIRECTOR OF BALTIC REGION AT AECOM

I embrace the challenge to assist AmCham and its members to share their insights and experiences to continually improve the development and business climate of Latvia and ensure future development of this country as strategic cornerstone to the Baltic Region.







### JANIS MEIJA DIRECTOR AT RIGARENO.COM

I will work to continue the Chamber's tradition of offering high quality services to its members, and in promoting transparency and good governance to improve the business climate in Latvia.







### **SUNNY MOTWANY**

CHAIRMAN AND MANAGING DIRECTOR OF B & C RESTAURANTS



I would like to take care of attracting support and sponsorship for AmCham operations for the Chamber to be able to give more value for its members.





### THANK YOU



#### TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ēriks Eglītis

Zinta Jansons

Juris Jākobsons

Ingrīda Kariņa-Bērziņa

Arnis Kākulis

Jānis Meija

Aigars Milts

Jānis Pinnis



### THANK YOU





for your continued support

TO ELLEX KLAVINS

for continued pro-bono support for AmCham throughout the years

TO EVENT SPONSORS AND SUPPORTERS







