

SPOTLIGHT

LATVIA

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2023
AT THE WESTIN WALTHAM,
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

8:30-9:30

OPENING REMARKS

Lauris Lambergis (Co-President, Latvian American Chamber of Commerce)
Edgars Rinkēvičs, PhD (President of Latvia)
Ilze Indriksone (Minister of Economics, the Republic of Latvia)
Māris Selga, PhD (Latvian Ambassador to the United States of America)
Christopher Robinson (United States Ambassador to Latvia)

9:30-10:30

GENERAL SESSION 1:

Introduction to (Business) Latvia

Moderator: Lauris Lambergis (Co-President, LACC)
Fredis Bikovs (Executive Director, Invest Riga)
Kaspars Rožkalns (Director, Latvian Investment & Development Agency)
Max Jegorovs (CEO, Accenture Baltics)
Mārtiņš Andersons (President, American Latvian Association)
Samanta Budrecka (Senior Expert, Latvian Ministry of Economics)

10:30-10:45

COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK

10:45-11:45

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSION 1:

Better Fostering Human Capital in STEM

Moderator: Dean Ramos (Economist, Applied Materials)
Artūrs Zeps, PhD (Vice Rector, Riga's Technical University)
Māriete Seile (Council Member, University of Latvia)
Paul Pedini (Senior Vice President, Skanska USA)
Anjali Sastry, PhD (Director of J-WEL, Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Marcis Auziņš, PhD (Professor, University of Latvia)

How Latvia is Revolutionizing Personalized Medicine

Moderator: Claudio Ricera, PhD. (Director, Riga Business School)
Agrita Kiopa, PhD (Vice Rector, Riga's Stradiņi University)
Dr. Andrejs Erglis (Chief of Latvian Center of Cardiology)
Tālis Juhna, PhD (Rector, Riga's Technical University)
Dr. Valts Abols (CEO, Clinical University Children's Hospital/BKUS)
John Tully (President, AmCham & CEO, MikroTik)

11:45-12:15

COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK

12:15-13:00

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Alex Saltenstall (CEO, Printful)
Dr. Kristaps Zariņš (Founder, HeartFlow, Inc. & Chidester Professor of Surgery, Emeritus, Stanford University)

13:00-13:45

SIT-DOWN LUNCH & NETWORKING BREAK

13:45-14:45

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSION 2:

Big Data in BioMedicine

Moderator: Kristine Vainovska Toidwell (Executive Director, Latvian American Chamber of Commerce)
Carey Kauffman (Board Member, PCD Foundation)
Leon Rozenbilt (Executive Director, QED Institute)
Sandis Kondrāts (CEO, Exonicus)
Agnis Jakubovičs (Chairman of the Board, Apply IT)
Dr. Kristaps Zariņš (Founder, HeartFlow, Inc. & Chidester Professor of Surgery, Emeritus, Stanford University)

BioEconomics

Moderator: Līga Rozentāle, PhD (Deputy State Secretary, Latvia's Ministry of Climate and Energy)
Edgars Kerijis (President, Riga Wood North America)
Jānis Bergs (President, SAF Tehnika North America)
Mikus Kins (Managing Director, Be Realty, LLC)
Paul Seitz (Chief Executive Officer, Skaal)
Aigars Laizāns, PhD (Supervisory Board Member, Latvenergo)

14:45-15:15

COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK



15:15-16:15

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSION 3:

Pharma

Moderator: Linda Litina (Director of Business Development, Olainfarm)
Jānis Buks (Chairman of the Supervisory Council, Olainfarm AS)
Gvido Cebers, PhD (Global Head of Drug Safety & Evaluation, Takeda)
Brian Toohey (Vice President, Global Government Affairs & Public Policy, Illumina)
Kristaps Jaudzems, PhD (Group Leader, Latvian Institute of Organic Synthesis)
TBC (Genentech)

Riga as a Shared Service Center

Moderator: Linda Helmane (Executive Director, Foreign Investors Council of Latvia)
Fredis Bikovs (Executive Director, Invest Riga)
Kaspars Losāns (Medical Director, Roche)
Max Jegerovs (CEO, Accenture Baltics)
Aaron Johnson (Senior Vice President, Cabot)

16:15-16:30

COFFEE & NETWORKING BREAK

16:30-17:30

GENERAL SESSION 2:

Turbocharging Entrepreneurship in Latvia

Moderator: Karina Sotnik (Founder and CEO, WorldUpstart)
Zane Čulkstēna (Founder, ERDA)
Anna Andersone (CEO Riga TechGirls)
Raimonds Kulbergs (BADideas)
Raimonds Lapīņš (Deputy State Secretary, Ministry of Economics)
Irma Kalniņa (Deputy of Saeima, Republic of Latvia)

17:30-18:00

KEYNOTE SPEECH

Nils Melngailis (Chairman, Luminor Bank)

CONCLUSION AND CALL TO ACTION

Lauris Lambergis (Co-President, LACC)

18:00-20:00

NETWORKING, COCKTAILS & APPETIZERS

SPOTLIGHT LATVIA

Thursday, September 21, 2023

12:00-14:00
LIAA Sponsored Business Lunch
(details TBD)

15:00-17:00
LACC Annual Member Meeting + Board Elections
Bostonas Trimdas Draudze
58 Irving Street, Brookline, MA 02445-7742

17:00
LACC/Spotlight Social Event with a Surprise Guest
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