

INNOVATION IN ACTION: Strategy for Lithuania and the EU

November 21 (Wednesday) 2018 | 9.30 – 12.00 (welcome coffee from 9.00)

*Permanent Representation of Lithuania to the EU
41-43 Rue Belliard, 1040 Brussels*

Innovation is as never before vital component of the European competitiveness in the global economy. Therefore, discussions on the most effective and future-proof Innovation policy are gaining momentum in the EU and its Member States' agendas. Thanks to recent ambitious reforms of Lithuania's innovation system and the changing culture favouring more risk-taking, visibility of Lithuania's R&D and innovation is growing on the EU level and globally. This half-day event will be dedicated to taking a closer look at a number of outstanding showcases: from the perspective of a start-up and more established R&D-intensive enterprise to the local support system and global network. Lessons learned and remaining challenges for each of the segment will be highlighted and discussed with a prominent panel, strongly focusing on the perspectives for the EU's future research and innovation policies.

PROGRAM

09.00 – 9.30 Registration & Coffee

09.30 – 9.35 Welcome by Robertas Rosinas, Ambassador at Large – Deputy Permanent Representative of Lithuania to the EU

09.35 - 09.50 Overview of the Reform of Lithuania's Innovation System

(Gintaras Vilda, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Lithuania)

09.50 – 10.45 From Start-Up to Global Ecosystems. Showcases

- Start-Ups. "Caszyme" (Monika Kavaliauskė, CEO)
- Business incubators. "Kaunas Science and Technology Park" (Tomas Černevičius, Director of Operations)
- SMEs. "Froceth" (Agnė Vaitkevičienė, CEO)
- Global Clusters. "Laser-Go" (Linas Eriksonas, coordinator)

10.45 – 11.30 Panel Discussion

- Gintaras Vilda (Vice-Minister, Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Lithuania)
- Eugenijus Butkus (Adviser to the Minister, Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Lithuania)
- Marek Przeor (Team Leader – Smart Growth, DG Regio, tbc)
- Alexandre Affre (Director of Industrial Affairs Department, BusinessEurope)
- Brigita Serafinavičiūtė (Head of Office, Lithuanian RDI Liaison Office LINO)
- DG RTD (EIC) (tbc)

11.30 - 11.45 Take-Away Messages and Wrap-up

12.00 – 13.00 Light Lunch

Moderator:

Tadas Tumėnas, Head of Innovation Policy Division, Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Lithuania

REGISTRATION (until November 15): <https://goo.gl/GFXnXm>

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Organisers:

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