



## **10<sup>th</sup> Economic Forum of Young Leaders**

**September 7-11, 2015**

What should leaders of tomorrow do  
to save the European project?



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Over 350 young leaders from 34 countries meet in Poland to come up with new ideas for the future of Europe. Debates of leaders of tomorrow with current leaders organized for 10 years now are aimed at creating such ideas.

The Economic Forum of Young Leaders is the biggest international meeting of leaders of the young generation where the economic and social issues are tackled. The participants have the chance to discuss with the representatives of economic, social and political life in order to work out innovative ideas. During the Economic Forum of Young Leaders the future elites gain and share the knowledge. The Forum constitutes also an excellent opportunity to promote the recognition of youth work and to share good practices of the youth sector.

Today we make a network of almost 3000 young people among whom there are: heads of NGOs, social, economic and students' organizations, youth wings of polit-





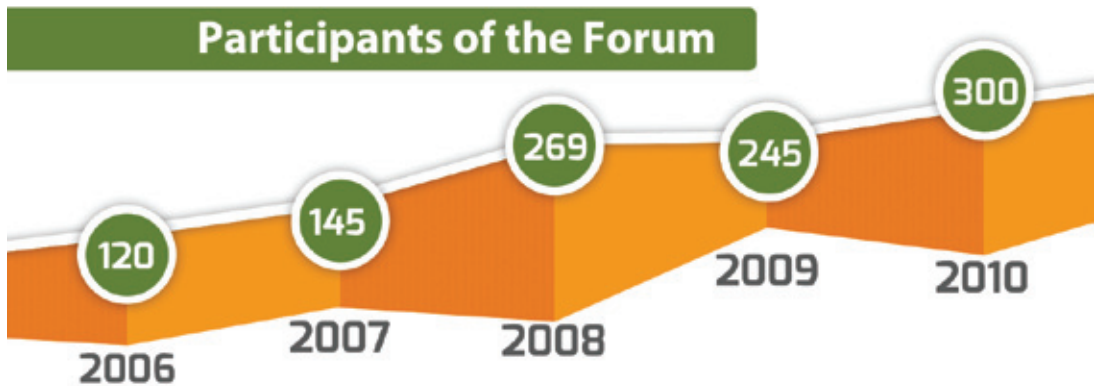
ical parties as well as scientists, journalists and entrepreneurs. They represent all countries of the European Union, Eastern Europe, the Balkans and the Caucasus. The 10th Economic Forum of Young Leaders takes place between 7th and 11th of September 2015 in Nowy Sącz. The programme will focus on the following thematic areas: global security, Europe's future and architecture, social, economic and political challenges, economic growth, youth entrepreneurship, business management, leadership and the role of young generation in the contemporary world. The programme includes various forms of communication and sharing: leader's debates, panel discussions, lectures, dynamic business presentations, thematic workshops as well as a banquet and a reception organized in the Town Hall by the President of Nowy Sącz.

The Forum creates good opportunities for making international business contacts and sharing knowledge and experience. Participants have an opportunity to meet and talk with leading politicians, economists, heads of states and international corporations.

We strongly invite you to participate and follow the 10th Economic Forum of Young Leaders.

## Forum in brief:

- ❑ more than 350 leaders of non-governmental, political, social and economic organizations from the European Union, Balkan, East Europe and South Caucasus countries
- ❑ 25 panel discussions, lectures, presentations and work sessions
- ❑ European dimension attractive education programme for young leaders
- ❑ meeting with outstanding politicians, economists, heads of state and corporations
- ❑ partner programme of the Economic Forum in Krynica
- ❑ Forum's website [forum-leaders.eu](http://forum-leaders.eu) with the full Forum's media coverage including live broadcast, articles, photos, video and audio material
- ❑ main Forum events broadcasted live at [forum-leaders.eu](http://forum-leaders.eu)



Более 350 участников из 34 стран Европы встречаются в Польше, что бы создавать идеи для будущего континента. Форум – это место встречи молодых лидеров стран Евросоюза, Балкан, Восточной Европы и Кавказа. Форум - это привлекательная программа европейского уровня для образования лидеров, встречи лидеров со знаменитыми политиками, экономистами, главами стран и корпораций; дискуссии на экономическую и международную тематику, разговор о будущем Европейского Союза, отношениях ЕС с его соседями, роли молодого поколения в современном мире. Организатор форума: Европейский дом встреч – фондация Новый Став, Фонд Развития Системы Образования, Национальное Агентство Программы Erasmus+; Фонд Институт Восточных Исследований.

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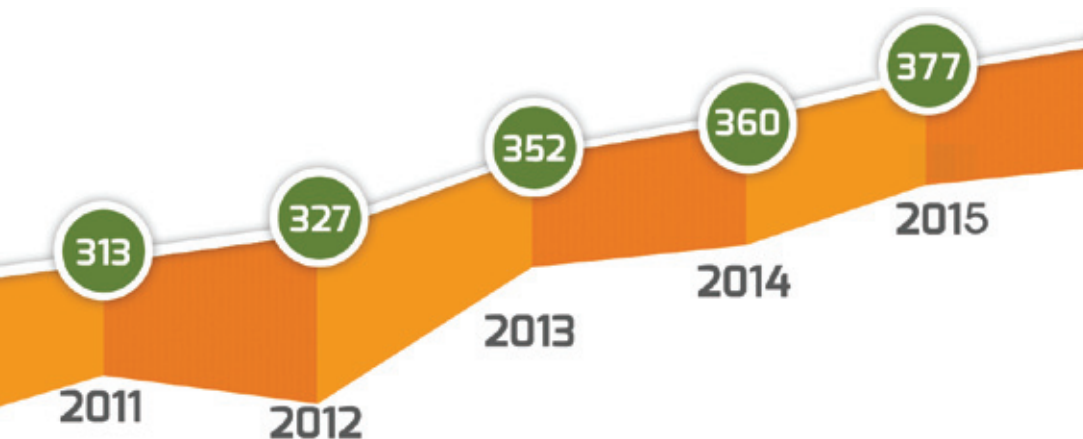
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Ponad 350 młodych liderów z 34 państw Europy spotyka się w Polsce, aby tworzyć pomysły dla przyszłości kontynentu. Forum to miejsce spotkania młodych liderów z państw Unii Europejskiej, Bałkanów, Europy Wschodniej i Kaukazu Południowego. Forum to spotkanie liderów z wybitnymi politykami, ekonomistami, szefami państw i korporacji; dyskusje o tematyce gospodarczej, międzynarodowej, przyszłości Unii Europejskiej, stosunkach UE z jej sąsiadami, rolą młodego pokolenia we współczesnym świecie.

Organizatorem Forum jest Europejski Dom Spotkań – Fundacja Nowy Staw, Fundacja Rozwoju Systemu Edukacji, Narodowa Agencja Programu Erasmus+ oraz Fundacja Instytut Studiów Wschodnich.

## José María Aznar

Prime Minister of Spain  
1996-2004



It wasn't easy to get here but I'm glad I eventually made it. I also was a young leader. In 2003 I was elected as one of the 'leaders of the future' by the Forum in Davos. I must say that it was a good decision because my life became successful. This also shows that even you may become a president or a prime minister of your country and try to change a few things. Belief, responsibility, values and ideas, perseverance and rigour – they are all necessary to become a leader. The world needs true leaders, not actors. Needs people able to analyse, confront ideas and defend them. Relativism and lack of ideas pose a serious problem in contemporary world. But I strongly believe in Europe, in our values of democracy, freedom, tolerance, solidarity and equality. These values we must defend.

## Mikheil Saakashvili

President of Georgia  
2004-2013



It's essential that young people like you, leaders representing so many European countries, who are meeting in Poland at the Economic Forum of Young Leaders to touch upon the issues relevant for Europe – that you are not afraid to take responsibility for your communities both local and national. A proof of the responsibility is this real involvement in the actions of various governmental and non-governmental organizations and local authorities. I started my political career at the age of 25 on the level of local authorities. Over the next years, I was gaining new experience and the trust of citizens. Eventually, at the age of 35 I became a president of my country. It could not happen earlier because the constitution did not allow for that. Make use of your dynamism and the strength young age gives you, don't be afraid to take up political and social activity. Politics is becoming younger and more dynamic. Don't hesitate.

## Lech Wałęsa

**President of Poland 1990-1995**

**The Nobel Peace Prize 1983 Winner**

Let's build on freedom and the law shall guard this principle. Start thinking globally of Europe as a country. We developed technologies so much that one country cannot hold us – the structure is too small for our civilization.



## José Manuel Barroso

**President of the European Commission**

**2004 - 2014**

I am sending a word of support to the new generation that meets in the framework of the Economic Forum of Young Leaders. You are also working for Europe through and by offering new and fresh ideas. I wish you fruitful discussions and I look forward to seeing the results.



## Valdis Zatlers

**President of Latvia 2007-2011**

Look in the mirrors. That is you, young leaders, who will be responsible for the future of Europe. You will be responsible for creating the European Union in the coming decades.



## Bożena Lublińska - Kasprzak

**President of the Polish Agency for Enterprise Development**

Today we serve as a source of information, advice, education and financial support for startups. Our instruments complement the existing gap in the market and finance high-risk projects. In the new EU financial perspective we expect a lot of support instruments for startups. I think that it is the direction that can significantly change the level of innovation and competitiveness of the Polish economy.



### Business in Małopolska Centre

The Centre has been created in 2009 in order to standardize activities related to promotion of regional economy as well as to provide high quality of services for investors. It plays also an important role in promoting export of companies of Małopolska.

It operates in the framework of an initiative of Małopolska Region, Małopolska Regional Development Agency, Kraków Technology Park Ltd and Małopolska Industry Parks. This partnership of business supporting institutions has a unique character as it is the only one of its kind in Poland. Business in Małopolska Centre has been successful in attracting new foreign investment and supporting the expansion of Małopolska companies to foreign markets.

**The most important functions of Business in Małopolska Centre include:**

- maintenance of database of investment offers from Małopolska
- development of investment offers
- enabling contact of Małopolska and foreign companies
- development and distribution of information on the region's economy
- international promotion of the economic potential of Małopolska
- territorial marketing
- cooperation for the economic development of Małopolska with self governing units, business support institutions and scientific sector
- promotion of innovative investment projects

Business in Małopolska Centre prepares analysis of regional labor market, real estate, BPO and new technologies, as well as research and development (R&D). The Centre is a regional partner of Polish Information and Foreign Investment Agency, having an international network of institutional contacts and business partners.

Działające w ramach unikalnej w skali kraju inicjatywy instytucje partnerskie tj. Województwo Małopolskie, Małopolska Agencja Rozwoju Regionalnego S.A., Krakowski Park Technologiczny Sp. z o.o. oraz Małopolskie Parki Przemysłowe Sp. z o.o. realizują zadania ukierunkowane na pozyskiwanie nowych inwestycji zagranicznych oraz wsparcie ekspansji małopolskich przedsiębiorstw na rynki zagraniczne.

**Do najważniejszych zadań Centrum Business in Małopolska należą:**

- prowadzenie bazy danych ofert inwestycyjnych z terenu Małopolski
- opracowywanie ofert inwestycyjnych
- umożliwienie kontaktów małopolskich i zagranicznych firm
- opracowywanie i dystrybucja informacji na temat gospodarki regionu
- międzynarodowa promocja małopolskiego potencjału gospodarczego
- marketing terytorialny
- współpraca z jednostkami samorządu terytorialnego, instytucjami wsparcia biznesu i sektorem naukowym na rzecz rozwoju gospodarczego Małopolski
- promocja innowacyjnych przedsięwzięć inwestycyjnych

Centrum jest regionalnym partnerem Polskiej Agencji Informacji i Inwestycji Zagranicznych, posiadającym międzynarodową sieć kontaktów instytucjonalnych i partnerów biznesowych.

**Let's do Business with Us!**

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## Entrepreneurs - Born or Made? Amway Global Entrepreneurship Report

About 70% of young people from 38 countries of the world believe that entrepreneurship can be taught at the elementary, middle schools and colleges - the Amway Global Entrepreneurship Report says. Research was performed in 38 countries around the world, including Poland by the GfK Group commissioned by Amway. It shows that 80% of respondents belonging to generation Y (young people up to 35 year old) has a positive attitude towards entrepreneurship and 51% could imagine starting their own business.

The greatest importance to innate abilities ascribe the Japanese (54%), the Dutch (46%), Brazilians (37%) and Slovaks (35%). Residents of Japan, as the only nation among the respondents believe that innate abilities are more important than those acquired. Nations which are most persuaded that entrepreneurship can be learned are Chinese and Brazilians (by 84%) as well as Norwegians and Finns (by 81%).

### Attitude towards entrepreneurship

When it comes to a positive attitude to work on their own account, on top are Scandinavians: 94% of Swedes have a positive attitude towards entrepreneurship and 93% of Norwegians. The lowest potential for development of entrepreneurship shows: Japan (15% of group representative for this country appreciates setting up their own company), Austria (24%) and Germany (25%). Positive attitude of Poles towards self-employment is increasing. As many as 83% of young Poles show a positive attitude towards self-employment.

Question 4 What is your opinion towards the responsibility for preparing entrepreneurs for starting their business? Where should entrepreneurship education primarily take place?\*



\*Average of all 38 surveyed countries

## The main motivators for self-employment

The most attractive reasons for young respondents from 38 countries in the world to start running their own business for years are immutable and dominate in many societies. The main motivators for self-employment among young Poles are:

- independence from the employer, being your own boss (59%). This aspect was pointed in Poland more than an average in the rest of the world (50%);
- self-fulfillment, the ability to pursue their own ideas (52%). Indications among the generation of young people from 38 countries of the world 50%.
- the possibility of additional earnings (42%). Indications among the generation of young people from 38 countries of the world 36%.

## The belief in the efficiency of business education

Young respondents admit that it is easier to start with your own business, when you grow up in an environment of entrepreneurs and when you have a good, practical examples of people that have been successful, self-employed. However, 77% of young Poles believe that entrepreneurship can be taught in schools, universi-

ties and colleges. The same opinion is shared by 70% of respondents from 38 countries. In particular, Chinese and Mexicans (both countries 84%) strongly agree with this belief, while in case of Japan – such opinion has a smaller part of the population (45%). Assessing the educational offer of entrepreneurship education in their countries, young respondents divided in two halves: 46% of respondents believed that the offer is satisfactory, 42% considered it to be insufficient. The biggest satisfaction with the education system show the Swiss (72%), Finns (71%) and Americans (69%). Interestingly, the people of India (66%) and South Africa (63%) have no reason to negative assessment of learning picks. The least satisfaction and the greatest willingness to change have Japanese, Canadians and Ukrainians (23% each), along with the Russians (26%).

Respondents around the world rely on the practical aspects of teaching entrepreneurship. Young Poles recognize practical entrepreneurship skills like: creation of business plans, competitions, tournaments and business simulations, programs of running mini-companies (44%), training of basic business skills (39%) and skills training related to leadership and management or rhetorical skills (32%) as the most important aspects of educational activities in the field of entrepreneurship. 17% of young Poles participated in at least one of the educational activities in the field of entrepreneurship. In case of Gen Y members from 38 countries of the world close to quarter of the surveyed participated in at least one of the educational activities in the field of entrepreneurship (24%). This type of educational activities are most popular among the young people of Ireland, Colombia, Canada, Mexico and Lithuania.

## Imprint research:

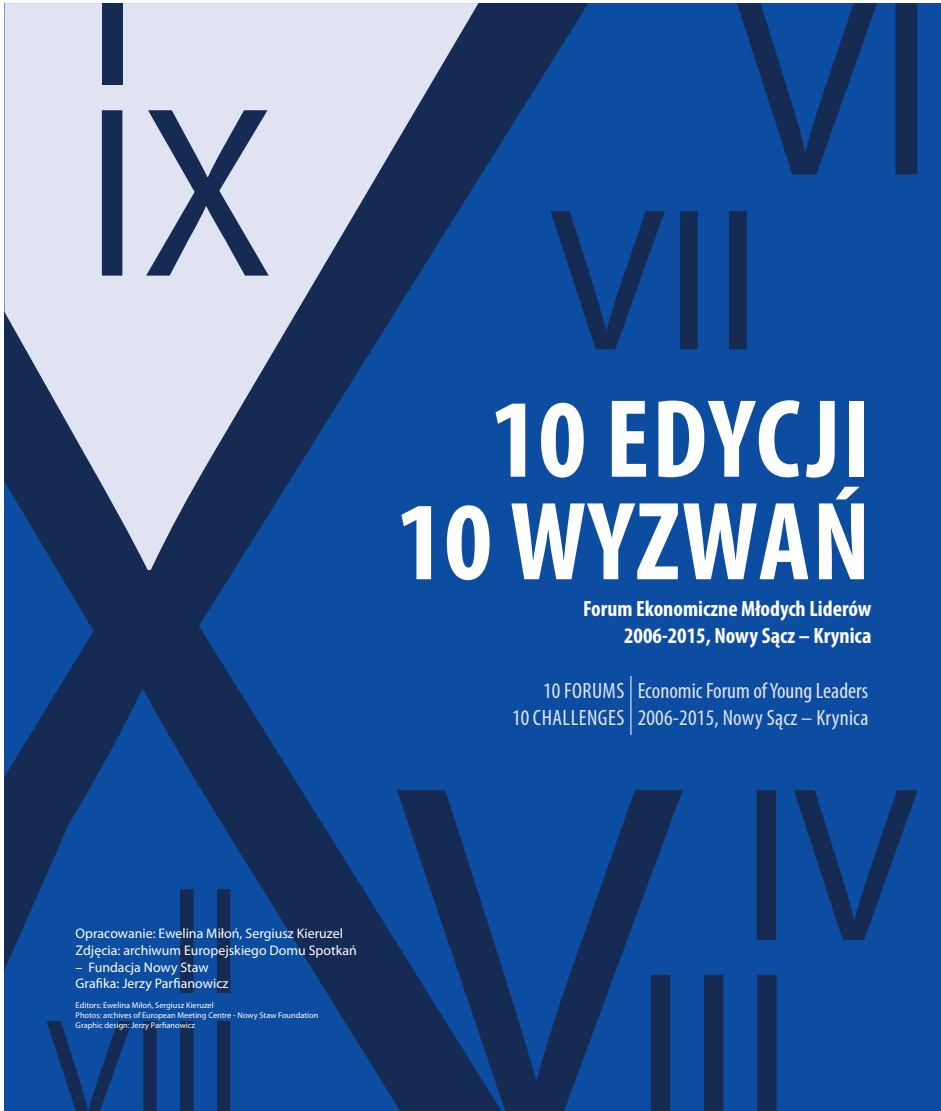
**The time of research:** April-July 2014

**Representation:** 22.767 women and 21.135 men aged 14 years old and older (a nationwide representation of residents)

**Countries:** 38 countries of the world: Austria, Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Columbia, China, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Korea, Lithuania, the Netherlands, Norway, Mexico, Poland, Portugal, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Slovakia, Slovenia, Switzerland, Sweden, Romania, Turkey, Ukraine, USA. In China, Colombia, India, Mexico and South Africa research was conducted on urban representation.

**Method of implementation:** mainly personal interviews + sometimes telephone interviews

**Research institute:** GfK Group



## Photographic exhibition “10 Forums, 10 challenges”

The exhibition „10 Forums, 10 challenges” presents a photographic documentation of each of ten Economic Forums of Young Leaders in Nowy Sącz. The photographs represent young leaders and special guests during the most interesting debates and workshops organised within the Forum.

### Where you can see it?

- Gallery at the Malopolskie Culture Centre SOKÓŁ, Nowy Sącz
- Market Square, Nowy Sącz
- Economic Forum, Krynica

## ACCOMPANYING EVENTS

### Nowy Sącz - City tour

Youth from Nowy Sącz will guide you through the Old Town and the most beautiful part of the Market Square and its surroundings. Tours are foreseen on Monday, 7th of September at 15:30 and 16:15 in 5 groups, 15 people per group. Duration of the guided tour is about 40 minutes. A trip route will include: Nowy Sącz Town Hall, Basilica of St. Margaret and historic houses located in the Old Town (including Jagiellońska St., Szwedzka St.) Guides are speaking English. Are you interested?

**Monday, 7th of September 2015 at 15:30 and 16:15**

**Meeting Point at the Małopolskie Culture Centre SOKÓŁ, Main Entrance**

### Networking session

Networking session aims to integrate and meet other Forum's participants. You should be prepared to say few sentences about your organization, your work and generally about yourself. Don't forget to bring your business cards, leaflets or anything you would like to share with other participants. If you don't have printed business cards you can prepare cards with your name and contact details. Session will be based mainly on small business talks of participants. Your task will be to collect as many new contacts as possible and have a good time!

**Monday, 7th of September 2015 at 17:00**

**Małopolskie Culture Centre SOKÓŁ, Medium Hall (Hall of B. Barbacki) – 2nd floor**

### Thematic workshops: Young Leaders on the crossroads – following new trends or finding new routes

The workshop is based on methodology called Open Space Technology, which was created in the mid-1980s by Harrison Owen when he discovered that people attending his conferences loved the coffee breaks better than the formal presentations and plenary sessions, so sometimes it is called 'anti-conference' or 'long coffee break'. We never know exactly what will happen when we open the space for people – there are no panel discussions, no speakers, participants are themselves the leaders-teachers-learners. All of the issues that are important for participants will be raised. All of the issues raised will be addressed by the participants best capable of getting something done about them. All of the most important ideas,

discussion, recommendations, questions for further study and plans for immediate action will be collected in one comprehensive report.

**Trainers: Dorota Nawalaniec, Karol Konkol, Miłosz Konkol, Roman Warkocz**

**Tuesday, 8th of September 2015, 11:00 – 16:00 (including lunch break)**

**Małopolskie Culture Centre SOKÓŁ, Plenary Hall (Hall of L. Lipiński) – ground floor, Small Hall (Hall of R. Sichrawa) – 1st floor, Medium Hall (Hall of B. Barbacki) – 2nd floor**

## **Discover your own potential**

A Stand of Regional Labour Office in Krakow will be open for the individual consultation with a professional counselor, who can help in choosing a profession, education, training or career plan, job search. You also have a possibility of diagnosing interests and professional competences through professional aptitude test execution and verification of your CV in Polish, English and Russian.

**Tuesday - Wednesday, September 8-9 , 2015**

**Małopolskie Culture Centre SOKÓŁ – ground floor**

## **Intercultural evening**

Intercultural evening will take place on Thursday, 10th of September in a restaurant – Bohema in Nowy Sącz. Its purpose is to present your country, share and taste your culture. Therefore we kindly ask you to prepare something, e.g. flag of your country, national food, drinks, costumes, songs, leaflets etc. Every year it is unique opportunity to get to know something more about many European cultures.

**Thursday, 10th of September 2015 at 20:00**

**Bohema Restaurant, 13 Rynek St. Nowy Sącz**



## Get Inspired Fest

September 7-11, 2015

An accompanying event dedicated for start-ups, young entrepreneurs from Poland and other Central and Eastern European Countries

Get Inspired Fest promotes the success of start-up entrepreneurship. It's an excellent opportunity to gain valuable knowledge and contacts. It's a great occasion to build momentum and get the business off the ground. Workshops, lectures, presentations, meetings with mentors and business angels take place during the four days of the event. More than 70 entrepreneurs from Poland and other countries of Europe have the opportunity to share their knowledge, experience and establish new business contacts. More information: [getinspiredfest.pl](http://getinspiredfest.pl)

### The programme includes following workshops and sessions:

- Business speed dating and networking session
- Core factors of successful startup - how to start and survive with your own business
- Crowdfunding in practice - how to collect funds for your project / startup
- Funds and support for startups - seeds, accelerators, incubators, investors and business angels
- How to get prepared for a pitch session? How to talk with investors?

Get Inspired Fest is a project supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland.

## Fortress Europe or Open Continent? - How should the future European migration policy be shaped?

**Debate. Wednesday, 9th September at 14:30**

With the Syrian war not coming to an end, the Islamic State expanding, the war in Ukraine flaming up every now and then and, finally, in the face of repeated crises in Africa, the Europe of 2015 is confronted with a growing refugee problem. Desperate people exploited in human trafficking die in sinking boats trying to reach the “promised land”.

How to respond? Do we leave this large-scale humanitarian crisis to the first-entry countries in the South and East of Europe or shall we work on a European solution involving all countries? Maybe the answer lies in a zero-migration policy and the closing of the external borders of the EU, e.g. to prevent terrorism?

**Medium Hall (Hall of B. Barbacki) – 2nd floor**

**Moderator:** Malte Koppe - Member of the Forum's Programme Council

**Panelists:**

**Thorsten Klute**, Secretary of State, Ministry of Employment, Integration and Social Affairs of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany

**Jovana Kuzman**, Student at Charles Darwin High School Rome, Italy

**Alexandrina Ciorchina**, Student of the Academy of Economic Studies, Moldova

**Marcel Lesik**, Student of the Katowice University of Economics, Poland

**Sandra Oborska**, Recruitment Specialist at arvato Finance, Poland



**The Leader's Debate will take place on Wednesday, 9th of September 2015 at 14:30 in Nowy Sącz.**





## Startups: Delivering value at scale or cultivating poor solutions?

**Debate. Wednesday, 9th September at 17:15**

Pitching, crowdfunding, co-working and outsourcing – these are truly the buzz words of the last decade which saw an unprecedented growth of young and bold ventures known as startups. Startups have traditionally been praised for their strong focus on innovation, scalability and growth.

Successful startups typically follow a steep growth trajectory and produce hefty returns to its creators and investors within as little as a few years: “Where it once took decades to build a company that’s worth \$1 billion, a dozen of this year’s crop of 42 accomplished the feat in 5 years or less. One made it to \$1 billion valuation in under two years” (Forbes.com).

Startup company’s value is mainly based on its intellectual property which means less competition, more business opportunities and greater income potential. Startups have also been admired for constantly upward learning curve and a faster career advancement track. Lack of bureaucracy has been considered as another advantage of these newly established businesses. Relatively flat organizational structure allows members of the team to accomplish much more in a shorter time frame.

The positive view on startups is not undisputed though. Some analysts and scholars argue that a lot of startups tend to operate in a pseudo-innovative environment where they are working on minimally impactful products with poor utilization potential. Ideas are great but how many more video sharing, audio sorting and content finding applications do we really need? Experts also fear that excessive cultivation of the startup values may contribute to the evolution of unregulated corporate culture that likely won’t mature quickly enough to fit company’s size in future.

**So which side has more reasonable arguments in your opinion? Should we continue praise startups for their contribution to innovation and progress or be critical of their ability to add value at scale?**

**Medium Hall (Hall of B. Barbacki) – 2nd floor**

**Moderator:** Mariya Romanyshyn - Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Economics and Enterprise Management at the Lviv Polytechnic National University, Member of the Forum's Programme Council



**The Leader's Debate will  
take place on Wednesday,  
9th of September 2015 at  
17:15 in Nowy Sącz.**

**Panelists:**

**Edera Gjuzi**, University of Tirana, Albania

**Florian Lang**, GO EUROPE, Austria

**Rauf Ismayilov**, Azerbaijan State Economic University, Azerbaijan

**Amer Benouda**, Centre of Management Studies and Research of Aix-Marseille, France

**Goran Mojanoski**, Hitlancer.com, Macedonia

**Szymon Lach**, Global Entrepreneurship Week, Poland

**Maryna Zaidel**, Karazin Kharkiv National University, Ukraine

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## European Meeting Centre – Nowy Staw Foundation

Established in 1993. The Foundation supports all social initiatives that aim at building civil society; cooperation and solidarity between nations. It supports the labour market participants with the special concern of the most vulnerable ones. It promotes and enhances the entrepreneurship and innovation, mainly of the young generation. It supports the processes of democratic change in Eastern Europe countries as well as Poland's mature membership within the European Union.

**Foundation's mission:** We contribute to and promote civic society and solidarity between nations.

By educating all generations we strengthen the idea of democracy, self-governance, social market economy, solidarity between nations and cooperation of cultures beyond all boundaries.

### The main objectives of our Foundation involve:

- ❑ promoting civic attitudes;
- ❑ supporting Eastern European countries in their democratic endeavors and creation of the civic society;
- ❑ motivating citizens, especially young generations, to social involvement and responsibility for their local communities;
- ❑ theoretical and organizational support for all institutions working for the development of the local labour market, support for the unemployed, especially from the rural areas;
- ❑ promoting the idea of the knowledge-based society using modern multimedia tools and technologies;
- ❑ working for the conscious and effective membership of Poland within the EU structures.

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## Foundation for the Development of the Education System

Foundation is the only in Poland institution displaying extensive expertise in managing European educational programmes. In the years 2007-2013, the Foundation has coordinated the implementation of the Lifelong Learning Programme (including Erasmus, Leonardo da Vinci, Comenius and Grundtvig) and the Youth in Action programme in Poland. Thanks to the integrity and reliability of its operations, FRSE has been appointed the Polish National Agency of the Erasmus+ programme implemented in the years 2014-2020.

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### Changing lives, opening minds

#### Programme Erasmus+ 2014-2020

Erasmus+ is a unique programme which seeks to boost the job prospects and personal development of young people, as well as help our education, training and youth systems deliver teaching and learning that gives people the skills they need in today's labour market and society, as well as in the future.

More than 4 million young people, students and adults will gain experience and skills by studying, training or volunteering abroad through Erasmus+. The programme will also support over 125,000 institutions and organisations to work with peers in other countries to innovate and modernise teaching practice and youth work. Together they will help ensure that young people and adults get the skills they need to succeed in today's world.

## Structure

### **Key Action 1:** Learning Mobility of individuals

The opportunities for students, doctoral candidates, trainees, young volunteers and youngsters in general, as well as teachers, trainers, lecturers and youth workers.

**Learning Mobility  
of individuals**

### **Key Action 2:** Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practice

The opportunity to build partnerships that drive collaboration within and between education, training and youth institutions and organisations, as well as between the worlds of education and work.

### **Key Action 3:** Support for policy reform

Supporting the processes of reflection, dialogue and evidence-building needed to deliver reform in education, training and youth policies and systems.

**EU grants and training for about  
5 million people  
and 125 000 institutions.**

**Total budget of € 14.7 billion,  
representing a 40% budget  
increase**

## Foundation Institute for Eastern Studies

The Eastern Institute (full name: Foundation Institute for Eastern Studies) has since its inception in 1992 been active in the field of co-operation among European countries, especially in Central and Eastern Europe. Various projects conducted at different levels have been adding to creation and development of political, economic, cultural and scientific ties among states in the region. The most important project of the Eastern Institute is the Economic Forum. Over the period of more than ten years, the Forum has become an important and recognized event in this part of Europe. In its efforts related to the Forum, the Eastern Institute is supported by the Programme Council. The Council sets the content and programme of the Forum, and gives direction to its further development.

### **Other statutory projects:**

- organising international seminars, workshops and study visits
- publishing economic analyses and reports
- organising internships for Russian, Ukrainian and Belarussian
- students in top Polish companies





## Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation

The Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation supports friendly relations between the Poles and the Germans. For the last 20 years, the Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation has co-financed over 10 000 bilateral projects, thereby contributing to the foundations of Polish-German dialogue.

At the core of the Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation activity is the conviction that the Poles and the Germans as equal partners can jointly strive for a modern, open and socially just coexistence in the European Union. In this sense, both Poland and Germany create the community of shaping values. This community requires bilateral relations to take new dimension and quality and to include the European context.

Mission and goals of the Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation:

The main goal of the Foundation is the support of valuable Polish-German cooperation. The Foundation in particular supports partnerships between Polish and German institutions, educational projects that propagate knowledge of Poland and Germany and of the Polish and German languages, scientific cooperation, and artistic and literary projects.

The Foundation is also an initiator and creator of projects, including study visits, scholarship programmes, publications and debates. Both thanks to grants and the projects initiated by them the Foundation for Polish-German Cooperation wishes to have an inspiring effect on Polish-German relations. The projects, in which the Foundations participates:

- improve the quality of Polish-German relations,
- narrow existing deficits,
- ensure symmetrical nature of Polish-German relations,
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