

# EUROPEAN FORUM — FUTURE FOR UNIVERSITIES AGENDA



## INTRODUCTION

### DATE/VENUE

19-20/4/2023

### EXPORTDRVO

RIJEKA

The future of universities is a widely contested issue on a worldwide scale. The future is always intriguing and uncertain. Futurism, however, shouldn't be confused with the sustainable future. Contemporary discussions about the future are more complex for a multitude of reasons, such as our inability to predict the disruptive effects of technological innovation and the cascades of crises we are currently experiencing, which have a multiplying effect on the quality of life and work.

One word has been omnipresent and fundamental in talks about the future – change. Universities of the future have to observe and continuously adapt to social needs, but they must also to create, innovate, and refocus processes of societal upgrading. Not all future universities will be the universities of the future. Even though it is challenging to do so in the world of academia, the universities of the future will be those that focus on the resilient future rather than past.

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Answering this issue requires a diversity of perspectives and social stakeholders with a range of experiences. The idea behind this European Forum is

to foster multilateralism and multilevel intersectoral collaboration. One of the foundational elements of universities in the future will undoubtedly be the collective wisdom generated by dialogues between the business and academic worlds.

JUST THAT YOU DO THE RIGHT THING.  
THE REST DOESN'T MATTER.

INSPIRED BY MARCUS AURELIUS

The European Forum consists of four dialogues between representatives of the key regional stakeholders from the business and financial sector, diplomats and experts in multilateral relations and the representatives of academic sector. The Forum's main goal is to go beyond stereotypes and openly discuss the existent dichotomies between private and public, state and market, traditional and progressive, corporate and participatory, and many others.

# OPENING

WEDNESDAY  
19/4/23  
EXPORTDRVO

# FUTURE

TIME	EVENT	DESCRIPTION
14:30	WELCOME COFFEE	
15:00–17:00	OPENING	<u>Snježana Prijić Samaržija</u> , Rector, University of Rijeka
	EDUCATION FOR THE COMPETENCES OF THE FUTURE STUDENTS SESSION	<u>Peter Lürssen</u> , CEO, Lürssen <u>Andreas Treichl</u> , President, Erste Foundation <u>Katharina Unger</u> , CEO, Livin Farms <u>Roberto Kutić</u> , COO, Infobip
	Introduced and hosted by <u>Ana Odak</u> , Gitone Kvarner, Board Member	

# MESS

THURSDAY  
20/4/23  
EXPORTDRVO

# FUTURE

TIME	EVENT	DESCRIPTION
9:30–10:00	WELCOME COFFEE  REGISTRATION	
10:00–11:30	OPENING  EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES OF THE FUTURE – SOCIAL INNOVATION THROUGH ECOSYSTEMS  Introduced and hosted by <a href="#">Snježana Prijić Samaržija</a> , Rector, University of Rijeka	<a href="#">Peter Lürssen</a> , CEO, Lürssen <a href="#">Andreas Treichl</a> , President, Erste Foundation
11:30–11:45	COFFEE BREAK	
11:45–13:00	UNIVERSITY – BUSINESS COOPERATION: POWER OF DIVERGENCE OR/AND POWER OF CONVERGENCE  Introduced and hosted by <a href="#">Teuta Duletić</a> , Managing Director at Lürssen Design Centre Kvarner/Maritime Centre of Excellence	<a href="#">Ivo Usmiani</a> , President of the Management Board, Jadran Galenski Laboratory <a href="#">Christoph Schöfböck</a> , President of the Management Board of Erste Bank, Croatia <a href="#">Lado Kranjčević</a> , Dean, Faculty of Engineering, University of Rijeka <a href="#">Mladen Pejčković</a> , Senior Executive Director, Atlantic Group, President of University of Rijeka Council <a href="#">Saša Drezgić</a> , Dean, Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Rijeka
13:00–14:00	LUNCH	
14:00–15:30	CHANGE MAKERS – WHO ARE THEY IN THE GLOBAL WORLD?  Introduced and hosted by <a href="#">Hedvig Morvai</a> , Program Director, Erste Foundation, President of Board of Trustees of the Moise Palace	<a href="#">Roberto Kutić</a> , COO, Infobip <a href="#">Johannes Boeck</a> , Management Board of Gitone–Kvarner and Liburnia Riviera Hotels <a href="#">Stephen Taylor</a> , North Adriatic Hydrogen Valley Joint Working Group Strategic Coordinator <a href="#">Karl Pözlbauer</a> , Executive Director, ERMAFA Environmental Technologies GmbH <a href="#">Boris Golob</a> , Director, Science and Technology Park, University of Rijeka
15:30–15:45	COFFEE BREAK	
15:45–17:00	NEW CHALLENGES FOR MULTILATERALISM  Introduced and hosted by <a href="#">Vedran Đihić</a> , Austrian Institute for International Affairs	<a href="#">Željko Ivanković</a> , Editor at Ideje.hr, permanent fellow at CAS–SEE Rijeka, senior lecturer in digital finance at Prague City University <a href="#">Franjo Luković</a> , first Croatian member of the Trilateral Commission, former President of the Management Board (1991 – 2015), Zagrebačka banka <a href="#">Vesna Pusić</a> , former Croatian Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration <a href="#">Senada Šelo Šabić</a> , Institute for Development and International Relations (IRMO) <a href="#">Velibor Mačkić</a> , Special Adviser to the President of the Republic for the Economy, Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Zagreb