

# XX ANNUAL CONFERENCE

## EUROPEAN COMMERCE REGISTERS' FORUM VILNIUS 2017

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DAY 1: Wednesday, 14 of June		Venue – Kempinski Hotel Cathedral Square Grand Dukes Hall
Time	Agenda	
13.00 – 17.30	Registration	
13.00 – 15.00	<b>General Assembly of ECRF Members – Grand Dukes Hall</b>	
15.00 – 18.00	<b>General Assembly of EBR and ECRF Members – Grand Dukes Hall</b>	
18.30 – 22.30	<b>Social Event – Picnic in Vilnius University Botanical Garden</b> Dress Code: casual	
DAY 2: Thursday, 15 of June		Venue – Kempinski Hotel Cathedral Square Grand Dukes Hall
Time	Agenda	
08.30	Registration	
09.00	<b>Official Opening of ECRF 2017</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening Address, Lithuania</li> <li>• <b>Ms Ieva Tarailienė</b>, Conference Director, State Enterprise Centre of Registers, Lithuania</li> <li>• <b>Ms Annika Bränström</b>, ECRF President, Sweden</li> </ul> <b>Welcome &amp; Delegate Roll Call</b>	
09.50	Coffee break	
10.20	<b>Session 1: From Policies to Practice</b>	
	<b>Overview:</b> Discussing the future of the BRs: how the BRs will operate during the next years; what is being done in preparation for the future.  <b>Speakers:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Andrea Servida</b>, EC, DG Connect, Head of Unit “eGovernment and Trust” – The eGOV Actions Plan 2016-2020</li> <li>• <b>Ms Maija Laurila</b>, EC, DG Justice, Head of Unit “Company Law”) – BRIS and beyond</li> <li>• <b>Mr Gintautas Bartkus</b>, Lithuanian expert in the ICLEG (Informal Company Law Expert Group organised by the EC) – Digitalisation of Company Law</li> <li>• <b>Mr Vito Giannella</b>, Senior Advisor, Unioncamere - Italian Union of Chambers of Commerce, Italy - The Once Only Principle Project</li> <li>• <b>Mr Kevin Kerrigan</b>, EBOCS Technical Coordinator, Ireland – EBOCS Project</li> </ul> <b>Q&amp;A Session</b>	

12.30	Photo of ECRF 2017 Delegates
12.45	Lunch break
13.30	<p><b>Session 2: Beneficial Ownership</b></p> <p><b>Overview:</b> The importance of BO registers in anti-money laundering and terrorist fighting purposes; challenges and problems in setting up of BO registers and some current practices, involving case studies of BO registers among the ECRF membership jurisdictions; practical difficulties that arise in the implementation phase of the BO registers.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Prof. Michele Riccardi</b>, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy – The role and mission of centralized beneficial owner registers in the global framework of prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing</li> <li>• <b>Mr Julian Lamb</b>, Director of Jersey Financial Services Commission, Jersey - Beneficial Ownership Working Group Report</li> </ul> <p><b>Case studies:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Peter Hubalek</b>, Head of ICT Subunit, Federal Ministry of Justice Austria – Austria</li> <li>• <b>Mr Adam Hexner</b>, Officer of the Ministry of Justice, Czech Republic – Czech Republic</li> <li>• <b>Mr Sascha Heinig</b>, Head of Division Legal Publication, Bundesanzeiger – Germany</li> </ul> <p><b>Round-Table Discussion &amp; Q&amp;A Session</b></p>
15.00	Coffee break
15.30	<p><b>Session 3: The Global View</b></p> <p><b>Overview:</b> This session focuses on an overview of the Lithuanian Business Register; World Bank findings in the field of Business Environment; the International Business Register Report; activities of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ms Ieva Tarailienė</b>, Head of the Register of Legal Entities Department, Lithuania – An insight into the business registration in Lithuania</li> <li>• <b>Ms Andreja Marusic</b>, Global Lead for Business Environment, Trade &amp; Competitiveness, the World Bank – The work of the World Bank in the field of Business Environment</li> <li>• <b>Ms Monica Grahn</b>, Senior Advisor of Bolagsverket, Sweden, &amp; <b>Stacey Jo Smith</b>, Senior Policy Advisor in Companies House, UK – The International Business Registers Survey and Report</li> <li>• <b>Mr Franklin Steves</b>, Senior Counsellor, Investment Climate and Governance, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) &amp; <b>Mr Zvonko Obradovic</b>, Director, Serbian Business Registers</li> </ul>

Agency (SBRA) – An update on the work with Western Balkan business registry platform

- **Mr Rimantas Žylius**, Managing Director, Norway Registers Development AS, Lithuania - Relevance of business registries cooperation to emerging economies

#### Q&A Session

17.30 The first day is closed

19.30 Social Event: Gala Dinner – National Museum – Palace of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania  
Dress Code: smart casual

**DAY 3:** Friday, 16 of June

Venue – Kempinski Hotel Cathedral Square  
Grand Dukes Hall

Time Agenda

09.00 **Session 4: European Digital Agenda – Building the IT Administration**

**Overview:** Regulatory business environment in innovation context; authentication mechanisms: electronic signatures, qualified digital certificates, electronic seals, timestamps and other tools; EU Regulation NO 924/2014 – eIDAS, e-archive.

#### Speakers:

- **Mr Hans Graux**, TimeLex, Belgium – eIDAS regulation and its implication
- **Mr Johan Bergsten**, Head of Customer Relations Department, Bolagsverket, Sweden – Adopting EIDAS in Sweden and the Nordic collaboration
- **Ms Mojca Kunsek**, Director General, AJPES, Slovenia, & **Mr Tadej Ulčar** Sectoral Secretary, AJPES, Slovenia – Digital Certificate Record - Slovenia case study
- **Mr Gary Walsh**, Enterprise Registry Solutions, Ireland – The Blockchain technology for the Business Registers

#### Round-Table Discussion & Q&A Session

10.30 Coffee break

11.00 **Session 5: Data Issues Affecting Registries**

**Overview:** Business registers are fantastic repositories of data and face many challenges and opportunities in both safeguarding information as well as maximising its use; the new European data protection directive and its implications for registries.

#### Speakers:

- **Mr Maurizio Pirazzini**, Secretary General, Chamber of Commerce of Padova, Italy, & **Mr Pierluigi Sodini**, Head of Business Register Unit, Unioncamere, Italy – The impact of the cases such as the “right to be forgotten” and the ECJ/Manni case
- **Ms Ann Lewis**, Registrar of Companies for England and Wales, and Chief Executive of Companies House, UK, **Ms Jo Jones**, Head of Project

Delivery of Companies House, UK, **Mr Mark Buckley**, Senior Integrity Manager of Companies House, UK - Access to data, transparency vs privacy.

- **Ms Maria Gabriela Zoana**, Deputy Director General, National Trade Register Office, Romania – Data exchange in the context of interoperability at national/European level
- **Mr Ricco Dun**, Business Relations Manager at Global Legal Entity Identifier Foundation (GLEIF), the Netherlands – The ways to bring the LEI-world and the BR-world together

#### Round-Table Discussion & Q&A Session

12.40

#### Session 6: Update from International Registers Organizations

##### Speakers:

- **Ms Zahrah Abd Wahab Fenner**, Chief Executive Officer/Registrar of Companies Commission of Malaysia – CRF
- **Ms Cheri Myers**, President of IACA – IACA
- **Mr Bruno de Greysier**, Managing Director, Companies House, Gibraltar – The ECRF conference 2018 Gibraltar

13.30

#### Closing of ECRF 2017

- **Ms Ieva Tarailienė**, Conference Director, State Enterprise Centre of Registers, Lithuania
- **Ms Annika Bränström**, ECRF President, Sweden & elected ECRF President

13.45

Farewell lunch

End of the Conference!

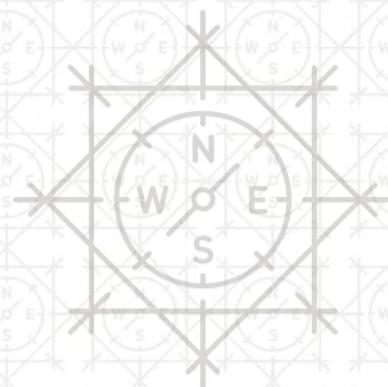
14.30

#### A visit to the Registry

18.00

**One-night festival of culture "Culture Night"** will keep the lights off and will invite visitors to enjoy culture and arts in the darkness of the night. Around 200 various projects and events will spread around Vilnius during **the night from 16th to 17th of June, lasting from 6 pm to 2 am.**

<http://kulturosnaktis.lt/en/pages/about>



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