

**February 22, 2018**

**Jelgavas Tehnikums, Pulkveža O.Kalpaka street 37, Jelgava**

**9.00-9.30 Registration**

Moderator: Mr Nīkita Kazakevičs, Head of LIAA Jelgava Business Incubator

**9.30-10.00 Opening remarks**

Mr Andris Ozols, General Director of Investment and Development Agency of Latvia  
Mr Andris Rāviņš, Head of the Jelgava City Council

**10.00-10.30 Yes, we can! Next steps for the engineering industry of the Nordic-Baltic region**

Mr Henrik Mitelman, Columnist at Dagens Industri and independent economist (Sweden)

**10.30-11.00 Formula One - Driving Innovation in Engineering & Technology Solutions in the Fast Lane**

Mr Mark Gallagher, Grand Prix Motor Racing Executive (Ireland)

**11.00-11.20 New global supply chains – the case of Rail Baltica the future of logistic solutions through Europe. A project with opportunities for Nordic and Baltic companies**

Mr Kaspars Rokens, COO and Member of the Management Board, Rail Baltica (Latvia)

**11.20-11.40 Coffee break**

**11.40-13.00 Panel discussion**

**Production efficiency – traditional industry crossed with IT; automatization and robotics, IT solutions for more effective manufacturing**

*Qualificiency – Quality considering higher efficiency*

Mr Peter Kleinmann, CEO and Managing Partner, Kleinmann & Consultants GmbH (Germany)

*Robot-Human interaction to achieve flexible assembly in production*

Mr Dirk Torfs, CEO, Flanders Make (Belgium)

*TIETO's experiences in metal industry - data driven business and efficiency*

Mr Heiti Mering, Business Development Manager, TIETO Estonia (Estonia)

*TRUMPF*

Mr Oliver Spanbalch, Area Sales Manager, TRUMPF (Germany)

**13.00-14.00 Lunch**

**14.00-15.00 Panel discussion**  
**Success stories of foreign investors**

*Statistics of the Nordic/Baltic region from the mechanical engineering point of view*  
Mr Petteri Rautaportas, Economist, Technology Industries of Finland (Finland)

*The AKG Group – cooling experts around the globe*  
Dr Gerhard Ritzmann, Chairman of the Management Board, AKG Themotechnik Lettland (Latvia/Germany)

*The case of Dinair - development of R&D in Latvia*  
Mr Kent Petersson, Managing Director, Dinair Latvia (Sweden)

*The case of Lesjofors*  
Mr Ģirts Ančevskis, Member of the Board, Lesjofors Gas Springs (Latvia)

**15.00-16.00 Panel discussion**  
**Supply chain management**

*Insights, perspectives and challenges of mechanical engineering in Latvia*  
Mr Roberts Dlohi, Member of the Board, PERUZA (Latvia)

*The demands of ANDRITZ to the sub-suppliers*  
Mr Juha Leinonen, Supplier Development Manager, Andritz Oy (Finland)

*LEAX Group*  
Mr Andris Liniņš, Key Account Manager, LEAX Baltix & LEAX Rezekne (Latvia)

*The case of MassPortal - Success story*  
Mr Jānis Grīnhofs, Partner & CEO, Mass Portal (Latvia)

**16.00-16.30 Coffee break**

**16.20-19.00 B2B Meetings**

**16.30-17.30 Panel discussion**  
**Educational support for industries, innovations and new product development in Jelgava region**

*Training of high quality engineers at the Faculty of Engineering of Latvia University of Agriculture*  
Mr Ilmārs Dukulis, Dr.sc.ing., Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Latvia University of Agriculture (Latvia)

*Latvia University of Agriculture – the centre for the engineer's development for life sciences and bioeconomy*  
Mr Aigars Laizāns, Dr.sc.ing., MBA, Vice-rector of Studies, Professor (Latvia)

*Educational support for industries, innovations and new product development in Zemgale*  
Mr Artis Kromanis, Head of Department of Material Processing, Riga Technical University (Latvia)

*EDI as an enabler for companies to introduce smart manufacturing*  
Mr Kaspars Ozols, Researcher, Institute of Electronics and Computer Science (Latvia)

*Future of technical education in Latvia*  
Mr Artūrs Žipris, Founder, Mechanika Engineering Ltd (Latvia)

**19.00 - 21.30 Dinner reception and networking**

Opportunity to visit TehnoBuss any time between 9.00-19.00