

7th Annual Meet-up of the Top500 Innovators Association

Registration open till 10th of May <http://www.top500meetup.pl>

17 May 2018, Thursday		18 May 2018, Friday	
Place: Łódź University of Technology, Sports and Education Centre "Sports Bay", Politechniki St. 10			
9:30-10:00	<i>Registration & Coffee</i>	9:00-9:30	<i>Registration & Coffee</i>
10:00-10:30	Official opening of the conference <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prof. dr hab. inż. Sławomir Wiak, Rector of the Łódź university of Technology • David Reed, Deputy Head of Mission, UK Embassy • John C. Law, Deputy Chief of Mission, US Embassy, tbc • Ministry of Science and Higher Education • Adam Pustelnik, Director of Investor Service and International Cooperation Bureau, City of Lodz Office • Katarzyna Walczyk-Matuszyk, President of the Association of the Top 500 Innovators 	9:30-10:20	Keynote III Michael Mbogoro , PhD (UK) Oxentia - Oxford's Global Innovation Consultancy
10:30-11:20	Keynote I Prof. Alan Barrell (UK) University of Cambridge, Business Angel, Cambridge Worldwide Associates	10:20-11:20	Panel Discussion regarding funding of startups Moderator: Agnieszka Sygitowicz , Vice President of The Board at Lodz Special Economic Zone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bartosz Sokoliński, Director of the Office of Development and Innovation, Industrial Development Agency (ARP SA) • Daniel Maksym, Director, Startup & Acceleration Projects, PGE New Energy • Prof. Alan Barrell, University of Cambridge, Business Angel • Włodzimierz Kuc, National Centre for Research & Development (NCBiR), tbc
11:20-11:45	<i>Coffee & networking</i>	11:20-11:50	<i>Coffee, snacks & networking</i>
11:45-12:35	Keynote II Nicholas Coutts (UK) Imperial College London, Axiomode Limited, World expert in routes to market	11:50-14:50	Workshops <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My Open Innovation Network – development of tools supporting technology transfer to SME. Design Thinking Workshop (Industrial Development Agency, Contilo) • How to design a successful mentoring program? (TopMinds) • The Top 500 Innovators Affiliate Brokerage Event – Information Technology • The Modern Theory of Inventive Problem Solving, TRIZ (Novismo) • Impact Investing – when high market returns are not prioritized (Foundation for Polish Science)
12:35-13:30	Policy Makers panel discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aleksander Dańda, PhD, Director of the Department of Science in the Ministry of Science and Higher Education • Andrzej Kurkiewicz, PhD, Vice Director in Department of Innovation and Development, Ministry of Science and Higher Education • Łukasz Wojdyga, Director of Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange 		
13:30-14:30	<i>Lunch</i>		
14:30-14:45	The Impact of Top 500 innovators Katarzyna Walczyk-Matuszyk (PL) The Association of the Top 500 Innovators		
14:45-15:15	Jakub Michalski (PL) VersaBox CEO	14:50-15:00	Official closing
15:15-15:45	<i>Coffee & networking</i>	15:00-16:00	<i>Lunch</i>
15:45-16:00	Innovation Forum Marek Tyl (UK) Innovation Forum CEO	Registration http://www.top500meetup.pl	
16:00-16:30	Hugh Ilyine (UK) DestiNA Genomics CEO		
16:30-19:30	The General Meeting of the Top 500 Association (members only)		
20:30-23:00	Banquet , Farina Bianco, Piłsudskiego 14 Concert - Dominik Good (TopMinds Alumni) DominikGood.com		