

Life Sciences Baltics – where science and business meet

For the fourth time in its history, the only international forum in the Baltics for world-class biotechnology, pharmaceutical and medical devices experts from all around the world invites life sciences professionals to Vilnius. The event is scheduled to be held from 26 to 27 of September and about 1,500 people bouncing in and out of the conference sessions and joining colleagues for the networking are expected to attend.

Brian K. Kobilka, the winner of the 2012 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on G-protein-coupled receptors, will be the keynote speaker. Keynote speakers line-up also includes prof. Mitsuo Otchi, President of the University of Hiroshima and Dr. Clemens Suter-Crazzolara, VP Product Management at SAP Health.

In total, around 60 world-know biotechnology and pharmaceutical executives, scientists and innovators are scheduled to speak on emerging trends in immune-oncology treatment, mechanism of degenerative and genetic diseases, 3D in medicine, personalized medicine, digital health, laser application in life sciences and many more.

During the event, around 70 international companies will be showcasing their innovative technologies. This years' exhibitors: Gruppo FOS, Thermo Fisher Scientific, Eurasanté, Scientific BioTech GmbH, Carl Zeiss Microscopy and many others.

One-to-one meetings can be pre-scheduled through the partnering platform powered by EBD group. Roughly 1,500 B2B meetings will take place with a great chance to meet would-be partners. Participants from Germany, China, Japan, US and some other European countries already have registered to Life Sciences Baltics.

Rosita Makauskienė, managing director of “Gruppo FOS Lithuania” shared her experience about Life Sciences Baltics forum: “As a foreign investor which opened the branch here in Lithuania in 2015, we came to LSB 2016 as the visitors and found it as a perfect platform to meet representatives of key public institutions, universities, international and local companies and initiated first dialogs, B2B meetings leading towards strong partnership. This year we are coming back to LSB 2018 already as exhibitors willing to present our R&D activities, implemented together with Lithuanian Universities, follow latest trends and innovations, generate new business contacts and meet colleagues working in R&D area not only from Lithuania but from all over the world. We believe that LSB 2018 will be the next step forward for our company opening the new business development opportunities.”

Lithuania's life sciences sector is growing by 20-25% annually and it is the fastest growth rate in the EU. Around 90% of all pharmaceutical and medical production is exported to over 100 countries. Though small, Lithuania enjoys a huge talent pool: more than 15,000 R&D researchers and scientists work in various fields of life sciences and 16 research centers are ready to cooperate with foreign life sciences companies and universities.

During Life Sciences Baltics, special attention will be paid to one of the industry's drivers – growing community of life sciences startups. Just prior the event an intensive two-day long training

course will take place. Up to 30 startups from Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia are expected to take part in the Life Sciences Baltics 2018 Startup Masterclasses. 10 best startups will have a chance to pitch their ideas at the Pitch challenge during the Life Sciences Baltics forum.

Compared to the first event, the number of participants increased twice, and the event serves as a sort of barometer for the potential of the life sciences in the Baltics. Life Sciences Baltics is a great opportunity to foster bilateral cooperation in life sciences sector between Italy and Lithuania.

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