

## Thursday 08.05.2025. | Kraš Auditorium

MBA Croatia is proud to present a high-impact event that is focused on developing next-level capacities for senior leaders. This International Leadership Forum is envisioned to be interactive, enabling you to boost your skills, while receiving career beneficial insights.

Time	Sessions	Description
09:00	Opening Remarks	<b>Stephanie E. Trpkov</b> , Director & Co-founder, Agrodox, President of MBA Croatia and the Forum moderator.  MBA Croatia and the Leadership Challenge of our time.
09:10	Keynote speaker	Dr. <b>David M. Smith</b> , Director General, Ruđer Bošković Institute (RBI).  Leadership in research and innovation: reflections from a stranger in a strange land.
09:30	Panel 1 – Innovative Leadership in Tourism: Balancing Growth, Sustainability, and Digital Transformation	Session moderated by <b>Ivana Budin Arhanić</b> , member of the management board, Valamar Group.  Speakers: a) <b>Sinisa Topalovic</b> , Global Head of Tourism Advisory, Horwath HTL Croatia b) <b>Zrinka Bokulic</b> , Advisor and CEO, Aminess Hotels & Resorts
10:00	Experience reel 1	Leadership insights by <b>Goran Dolenc</b> , Managing director at KANSAI HELIOS Croatia and Chromos boje i lakovi d.d.
10:10	NANO MBA The leadership shift: Creating the future	A high-intensity, 90-minute workshop by <b>Maris Spero</b> , founder of Legacy Leaders, which is designed to test, challenge, and transform the way executives lead, in real time.
11:40	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
12:10	Experience reel 2	Leadership insights by <b>Kresimir Profaca</b> , CEO of Links Croatia.
12:20	Panel 2: Sustainable finance leadership: driving innovation and resilience in a fast-changing world	Session moderated by <b>Ivan Kurtovic</b> , CEO Intercapital Asset Management.  Speakers: a) <b>Angela Buconjic Sutija</b> , Managing Partner at ANO Insurance Solutions. b) <b>Tamara Perko</b> , President, Croatian Banking Association

12:50	Recruiters' session: Senior executive toolkit for the new paradigm.	<p>An interactive session coordinated by <b>Vjeko Peretic</b>, Founder &amp; CEO of Pro Grupa, with highly experienced executive recruiters:</p> <p>a) <b>Sanja Brkic</b>, Founder &amp; CEO, Sanja Brkic executive search, b) <b>Livia Reljic</b>, Associate Director, Smart Group HR Solutions c) <b>Martin Tisanic</b>, Senior Recruiter, Alexander Hughes.</p> <p>They will reveal essential strategies for reaching the highest positions, the most common mistakes managers make, and how to prepare for their next career level.</p> <p>Afterwards, in the 40-minute Q&amp;A session you will be able to engage directly with the speakers.</p>
14:15	<b>Coffee break</b>	
14:30	Panel 3 – The future of technology leadership across industries: innovating for strategic growth	<p>Session on leadership essentials alongside technology integration, moderated by <b>Ognjen Bagatin</b>, Director at Poliklinika Sinteza and Co-founder at Futura Partners.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <p>a) <b>Andrijana Prskalo-Macek</b>, Senior Manager of Business Advisory, EY Hrvatska, b) <b>Tomislav Vracic</b>, Senior Business Program Manager, Microsoft, c) <b>Tomislav Kosanovic</b>, Chief Business Officer, Ingemark.</p> <p><b><i>This session is in Croatian Language.</i></b></p>
15:00	Wrap up	Closing remarks and summary of key messages by <b>Stephanie E. Trpkov</b>
15:10	<b>Lunch</b>	Informal exchanges and networking over delicacies.
16:30	End of program	