

NORTH AMERICAN LITHUANIAN BUSINESS FORUM 2025 m. 9-11 June, Boston/Cambridge, Massachusetts

DRAFT AGENDA

June 9, Monday

Workshop No. 1

Hosted by Goodwin, 100 Northern Avenue, Boston, MA



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1pm – 5pm	Welcoming remarks	Dava Newman, MIT Media Lab Director (TBC)
	Legal Basics for Tech and Life Sciences Companies to Consider in Order to Attract U.S. Investors	Kristopher Brown, Corporate Partner in the Technology & Life Sciences Group at Goodwin
	Business opportunities in Massachusetts	Jeevan Ramapriya, Executive Director Massachusetts Office of International Trade and Investment (MOITI)
	How to work with the US governmental institutions	Hadas Webb, Director for Climate & Energy, FedTech Dhimiter Cobani, TABA Delivery Specialist, FedTech
	Lithuanian Professional Diaspora: Talent Intelligence for the Modern Workforce	Michael Beygelman, Executive VP, Product, Claro Analytics
	Cocktail reception (Sponsored by Goodwin)	Offices of Goodwin, 100 Northern Avenue, Boston, MA

June 10, Tuesday

Workshop No. 2

Hosted by Goodwin, 100 Northern Avenue, Boston, MA



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9am – 1pm	Unlocking Opportunities for Lithuanian Businesses in the Canadian Market	Al Pace, Founder and Chair, Pace Law Nick Simone, President and CEO, Pace Law & Pace Global Advantage
	From Lithuania to the US: The 100-Day Playbook for Winning the Market	Gerald Kasulis Director at Nord Security
	Lessons Learned: Navigating the North American Market – Successes, Stumbles, and Lifeboats	Vilius Smalinskas (Telesoftas) Agnius Savičiūnas (Teltonika) Moderated by Karolis Karalevičius
	Coming to America: What to Keep in Mind When Setting Up U.S. Operations	Mayan Katz, Corporate Partner, Technology & Life Sciences Group at Goodwin

6pm – 8pm	Networking event	Venue: Lithuanian Club, 368 W Broadway, South Boston, MA 02127
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June 11, Wednesday
Venue: 75 Amherst St, Cambridge, MA 02139

8:30-9:30 Registration, welcome coffee

9:30-12:00 Main Stage

Speakers	Topics
H.E. Lithuanian President Gitanas Nausėda	Welcoming remarks, video message
Governor of Massachusetts Maura Healey (or her representative)	Welcoming remarks
Lithuanian Ambassador to the US Audra Plepytė	Introduction of Minister Savickas
Lithuanian Minister of Economics and Innovation Lukas Savickas	Presentation “Partners in Progress: Lithuania and North America at the Frontier of Innovation”
V. Bulovic, MIT professor, Founding Director of MIT.nano.	Keynote speech “From Breakthrough Science to Scalable Business”
Prof. Vladas Algirdas Bumelis, Founder and CEO of Northway Biotech Interviewed by Skaidra Puodžiūnas (Council of Canadian Innovators)	“Lessons in Leadership: A Fireside Chat with prof. Vladas Bumelis”
PJ Maykish, VicePresident at the SCPS (Special Competitive Studies Project) (TBC) Johanness Bahrke, European Union Delegation in Washington DC, Tadas Vizgirda, Shift4 Lithuania, Chairman of the Board at the American Chamber of Commerce in Lithuania Moderated by Tony Maciulis (GZERO Media)	Discussion panel “The Race to Lead: Shaping Tomorrow's Technology Landscape”
Al Pace, Founder and Chair, Pace Law Nick Simone, President and CEO, Pace Law & Pace Global Advantage	“Voices from Canada: Innovation, Impact, and Insight”

12:00-13:30 Lunch

13:30-17:00 Breakout sessions

Room I	Room II
<p>MIT MISTI Lithuania. Cooperation in Energy innovation</p> <p>In response to increasing global electricity consumption, this panel explores the key strategies and insights for significant progress in renewable energy, advanced storage, and grid modernization – advancements critical for both economic prosperity and energy security. To illustrate the power of international collaboration in achieving these goals, we will highlight partnerships such as the one between Lithuania and MIT, which fosters innovation and cultivates future energy leaders.</p>	<p>Start-up session</p> <p>This session will offer a dynamic mentoring session where startups rotate between tables hosted by investors and mentors every 10 minutes. Startups will pitch, ask questions, and receive feedback, while investors and mentors provide targeted advice and contacts to each startup. The session aims to offer startups actionable insights and introductions, and help investors identify promising opportunities, fostering enhanced networking and relationship-building.</p>
<p>ICT</p> <p>This panel will explore strengthening US-Lithuania IT ties in cybersecurity and AI. Experts will examine transatlantic collaboration through case studies, discussing technical, regulatory, and cultural barriers and strategies to overcome them, such as joint research, talent exchanges, and public-private alliances. The discussion will identify critical factors for effective cooperation, including harmonized standards and shared threat intelligence, aiming to provide attendees with a roadmap for resilient, AI-enhanced cybersecurity and a vibrant US-Lithuania IT ecosystem.</p>	<p>Life Sciences</p> <p>Longevity and biotech are one of today’s most ambitious scientific frontiers, but cutting through the hype to spotlight real progress is essential. This panel brings together leading voices in gene therapy, investments and AI-powered healthcare to explore the breakthroughs to redefine aging.</p> <p>Panel will also focus on U.S.-Lithuania collaboration in biotech areas, with an open invitation to continue the dialogue at BIO Convention the following week and at Life Sciences Baltics in Lithuania this September.</p>
<p>Defense and dual use</p> <p>In today’s rapidly evolving security environment, strengthening defense innovation and dual-use collaboration between allies is not just an advantage — it’s a necessity. This panel brings together military, government, and industry leaders from the United States and Lithuania to explore how operational needs, technological innovation, and international partnerships can be aligned for greater resilience and deterrence.</p>	<p>Creative Industries session</p> <p>Explore how creativity is reshaping healthcare and community wellbeing. Massachusetts is leading the way as the first U.S. state to launch a statewide art prescription program. Join leaders from the creative industries, healthcare, business, and government as they dive into cross-sector collaboration and real-world solutions to major health challenges like social isolation, anxiety, and depression.</p>

17:00-18:30 Farewell Toast at MIT Media Lab. End of NALBF