



## 5th Economic Forum of Young Leaders

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Nowy Sącz, Poland

Young people from the whole Europe meet in Poland to debate about the future of Europe. Every year Economic Forum of Young Leaders gathers about 350 leaders from the NGOs, political, citizens' and economic organizations in Nowy Sącz. Our Forum is a meeting of young leaders from the European Union, Eastern Europe and the Caucasus. The meeting place of Forum is Poland. We consider that it is the right place for the debates and discussions about the future of Europe. Poland has been a member of the EU for six years already. In our opinion Poland has to play a more prominent role in building the future of the Old Continent. We are a big state of the EU and that's why we don't only have to give our vision of the Union in the XXI century but also create space for discussion, dialogue, getting to know each other, creating new ideas and educating young leaders. It is our wish the youth from the Western and Eastern Europe to take part in this dialogue.

Economic Forum of Young Leaders is the key to this challenge. Forum raises economic, political, international issues, topics related to the future and vision of the European Union, EU relations with its neighbors, the role of the young generation in the modern world. Forum includes panel discussions, workshops, social campaigns' and action programs' market. Highlights of the Forum are transmitted on-line thanks to the involvement of the European team of the Internet television (europeanweb.tv and NGOTV).

Each year, Forum engages over 350 young leaders of political, economic, social, and non-governmental organisations from the European Union countries, Eastern Europe and the Caucasus, from altogether over 42 European countries, to come to Poland to Nowy Sącz. The venue of the conference is determined by a partner programme the Economic Forum in Krynica. Subsequently, outstanding politicians, economists, businessmen and heads of the countries, governments and corporations can participate not only in the "central - European Davos" but also have an opportunity to meet Young Leaders in Nowy Sącz and to share experience, knowledge and to answer questions bothering young people.

Guests of the 5th Economic Forum of Young Leaders in 2010 will be outstanding politicians, economists, and leaders. In previous years Forum was honoured by presence of: **Jose Maria Aznar** (former Prime Minister of Spain), Profesor **Reinhard Selten** (Nobel Prize Laureate in Economics), **Robert Sutor**

(Vice-President of IBM Co.), **Dalia Grybauskaitė** (European Commissioner for Financial Programming and Budget), **Aleksander Kwaśniewski** (President of the Republic of Poland in 1995-2005), **Giorgi Baramidze** (Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for European and Euroatlantic Integration of Georgia), **Algirdas Brazauskas** (f. President of the Republic of Lithuania), **Jorge Sampaio** (former President of Portugal), **Rudolf Schuster** (f. President of the Republic of Slovakia), **Leopold Unger** (Commentator, Le Soir), **Erhard Busek** (Coordinator of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe), **Alexandre Soares dos Santos** (Chairman, Jerónimo Martins), **Radosław Sikorski** (Minister of Foreign Affairs, Poland) **Vitalino Canas** (Chairman of Foreign Affairs Commission of Portuguese Parliament), **Zyta Gilowska** (Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance of Poland), **Hanna Gronkiewicz-Walz** (Mayor of Warsaw), **Grigorij Jawliński** (Politician, Russia), **Milan Kučan** (f. President of Slovenia), **Janusz Lewandowski** (Vice-Chairman of the Budget Committee, European Parliament), **Siergiej Markov** (Politologist, Russia), **Aleksander Milinkiewicz** (Leader of the Movement for Freedom), **Jaroslav Neverovic** (Vice- Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania), **Viviane Reding** (EU- Commissioner for Information Society and Media Challenges for the societies in the 21st century), **Christoph Rosenberg** (Representative of International Monetary Fund for Central Europe and the Baltic Countries), **Ludwik Wiśniewski** (Dominican), **Maciej Zięba** (Director, Tertio Millennio Institute) and many others.

The official language of Forum is English.

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