

AmCham Talents 2017

**Contributing to Croatia's future
by developing talented, ethical, open-minded business leaders**

AmCham Talents program was initiated in 2013 with a goal of developing leadership skills of promising young business professionals.

Young professionals recognized as high potential employees within their companies usually have opportunities for postgraduate education and trainings, but lack practical experience and opportunity to develop their soft skills by learning directly from leaders in different industries. This program hopes to bridge this gap and contribute to the personal & career development of such employees through a series of interactive sessions by prominent leaders and networking opportunities with their peers.

In March 2017 we will start 5th year of the program. So far more than 250 young talents participated in the program and gained valuable knowledge from 40 distinguished speakers. Among others, some of the distinguished speakers were: Barry Rudolph (Presidio Investors), Jurica Novak (McKinsey & Company), Gordan Kožulj (Deloitte Business Advisory Services), Aaron Fox (KHL Medveščak), Michael Georg Müller, (Raiffeisenbank Austria), Maria Anargyrou-Nikolić (The Coca-Cola Company), Olivija Jakupec (Podravka) etc.

The fourth year of the program just finished and we invite you to visit our [YouTube page](#) to listen to the speakers' statements and top candidate interviews. In addition, you can take a look at [2016 program](#) as well as [event summaries](#) and photos of different lectures and [final event](#) on our web page.



MODE OF WORK

The AmCham Talents 2017 program will feature:

- 10 events
- Competition for the AmCham Talent of the Year – the participants collect points (attendance, team paper, individual paper). The best three candidates will hold a speech and participate in the panel discussion at the final event.

Sessions:

- Depending on the speakers and the topic, the lecture can consist of a presentation, interview with the speaker/speakers and participant engagement through discussion and exercises
- the speakers will share their personal experience

Timeline:

March 2017 – November 2017

Participants:

Employees of members 25-35 years of age

The program candidate should be a dedicated, responsible young professional that exhibits high level of business ethics, has excellent communication skills, is proactive and recognized by his/her superiors as a future leader.

PROGRAM

2 March, 2017

Opening event – Speed networking + short lecture by Don Hudspeth, President & Dean, RIT Croatia
[Importance of Life-long Education](#)

4 April, 2017

Mr. Ilica Krizmanić, General Manager, Esplanade Zagreb Hotel
[Adapting to External Change](#)

20 April, 2017

Mr. Boris Bauk, Channel & Service Providers Lead East and South Europe (SEE & CIS), Hewlett Packard Enterprise
[Digital Transformation and Industry 4.0](#)

9 May, 2017

Mr. Tomislav Juraga, Regional Sales Director SEE, Dell EMC
[Diversity in Business](#)

8 June, 2017

H.E. Julieta Valls Noyes, Ambassador of the United States of America
[Diplomatic Skills](#)

4 July, 2017

Mr. Ognjen Bagatin, General Director, Poliklinika Bagatin
[On the Wings of Advertising](#)



14 September, 2017

Mr. Damir Vandelić, President of the Board, Croatia Osiguranje

[Business Negotiation](#)

10 October, 2017

Mrs. Milada Privora, Lecturer of Diplomatic Protocol, Visoka škola Međunarodnih odnosa i diplomacije Dag Hammarskjöld

[Business Manners](#)

9 November, 2017

Mr. Ronald B. Given, Branch Managing Partner, Wolf Theiss Rechtsanwälte GmbH & Co

[Citizen of the World – Doing Business Globally](#)

30 November, 2017

Final event – selection of the AmCham Talent of the Year and certificate ceremony