



Young Polish International Network XVI Annual General Meeting

11-13 May 2018
Sierpc, Hotel Skansen Conference & Spa

Digital empowerment or threat?

Digitalisation is one of the – if not the – defining characteristics of the contemporary era. The Internet of Things has changed the way in which culture, capital, commodities, and people circulate worldwide. Over the last decade, we have seen radical shifts in the production of knowledge, on the contemporary shape and processes of political participation and collective action, on social structures, on globalisation processes as well as on the nexus of states, authority, and citizenship.

The advances in communication and information technology empower the unprivileged, create new business models and promise to free the citizen from limits imposed by the state. Yet next to this positive aspects, digitalisation harbours several threats to human consciousness, social and state security, and does not always live up to the expectations of its consumers.

As an organisation interested in preparing the Polish political, cultural and business elite of the future, YPIN has a vivid interest in strengthening knowledge and awareness of its members on pressing issues of our times and present them in a global context. Some of us design new technology or influence the way it is used, most of us use it on a day to day basis. The conference shall open our eyes to those aspects of technology that does not usually cross our minds. During the event we will try to find a nexus between not falling into a cyber-utopia with all its opportunities, but simultaneously point to its dangers.

Program

Friday 11.05.2018

20:30-22:30 Welcome dinner

21:30-21:45 Welcome speeches

22:00-22:15 Introduction of new members say hello

Saturday 12.05.2018

06:00-07:30 Good morning yoga/jogging/swimming/nordic walking

08:00-09:00 Breakfast

09:00-10:00 Keynote speech with Q&A

Dr Aleksandra Przegalińska (Assistant Professor, Center for Research on Organizations and Workplaces and the New Research on Digital Societies Group at the Koźmiński University):
“Are technologies getting human or do we get technological? A philosophical perspective on technology”

Moderator: Katarzyna Kubiak (YPIN)

10:00-10:30 Coffee break

10:30-11:30 Lecture with Q&A

Dr hab. Kazimierz Krzysztofek, prof. SWPS Uniwersytet Humanistycznospołeczny (Warsaw):
“Life in the Digitalised Social Operating System (DSOS)”

11:30-12:00 Coffee break

12:00-13:30 Discussion panel “Digitalisation and business”

Moderator: Michał Młynarski (CEO, QualityMinds GmbH, Munich)

- The digital business of the future. How blockchain changes the way people conduct business? Katarzyna Krolak-Wyszynska (CEO, INNOVATIKA, Warsaw)
- Digital transformation: new digital business models. Mikołaj Niedźwiecki (YPIN, Munich) and Nikolaus Cichy (YPIN, Vienna)
- Digital world in 2030: What place for Poland? Jurand Drop (YPIN, former Undersecretary of State at the Ministry of Administration and Digital Affairs of the Republic of Poland, Warsaw/Cracow).

13:30-15:00 Lunch

15:00-16:00 YPIN internal affairs part 1

16:00-16:30 Coffee break

16:30-17:30 YPIN internal affairs part 2

17:30-18:00 Coffee break

18:00-19:00 YPIN internal affairs part 3

20:00-20:30 YPIN Group Photo

20:30-22:30 Candlelight dinner

22:00-03:00 Party

Sunday 13.05.2018

07:00-08:30 Good morning yoga/jogging/swimming/nordic walking

09:00-10:00 Breakfast

10:00-11:00 YPIN Speed Inspirations

11:00-13:00 Recreation time

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