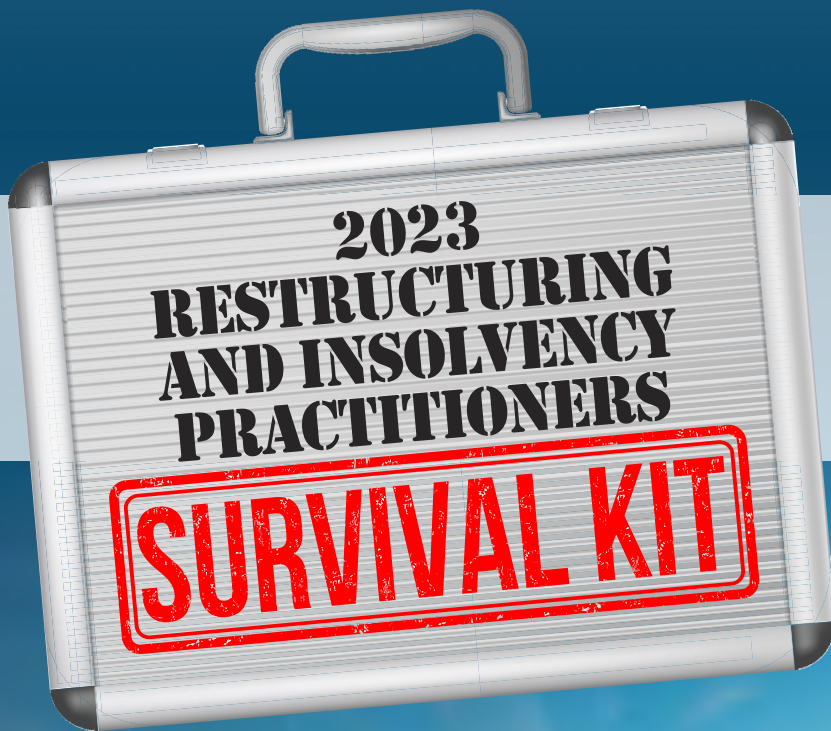


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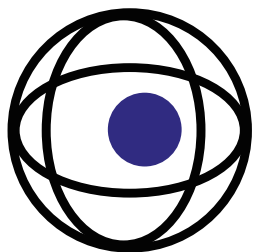


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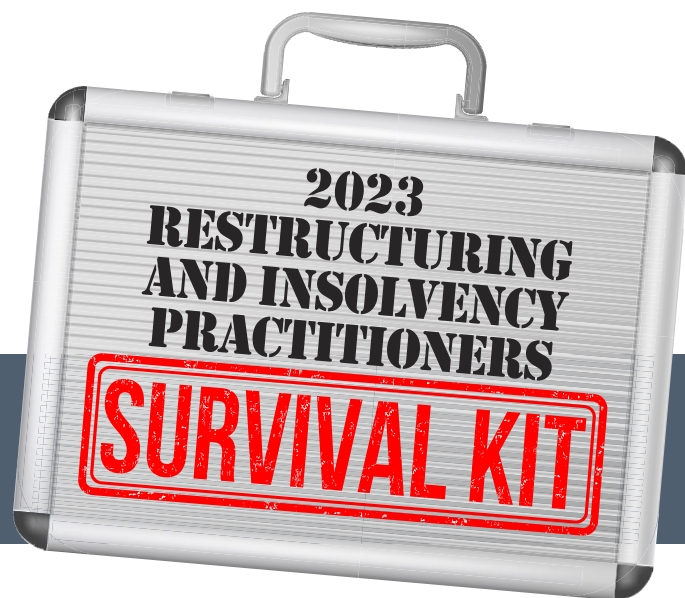


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## Welcome!



*Dear Friends & Colleagues,*

After years of e-events, e-conferences, e-things, it is such a pleasure to have the opportunity to host the Eastern European Countries' Committee Conference in the beautiful city of Vilnius, not in the metaverse.

Since the last EECC conference, the world has changed, Europe has changed. Businesses are now navigating war, the cost of living crisis, rising interest rates, high energy costs, etc. The Insolvency landscape has also changed and continues to change, leading to a lot of challenges for the insolvency practitioners community when dealing with national legislation but also with the European Legislation. Whereas our community is just beginning to work with the implemented version of the EU Directive on restructuring and insolvency and the sanctions packages legislation, we can already see a new EU Proposal for a Directive harmonising certain aspects of insolvency law on the horizon. Challenges appear when dealing with companies but also when advising entrepreneurs facing distress situations and financial difficulties. How to solve business at an early stage? How to prevent the business from falling into liquidation? How to protect interests of parties involved in insolvency proceedings? How to preserve the entrepreneur from feeling opprobrium?

To discuss these challenges, to share views on them and good practises, to have the opportunity to meet again in person, we are most delighted to invite you to the amazing city of Vilnius for the **INSOL Europe Eastern European Countries' Committee Conference** which will focus on **"2023 Restructuring and Insolvency Practitioners survival Kit"** and will be held from **18 to 19 May 2023** organised in cooperation with Mykolo Romerio Universitetas.

This event promises to be a thought-provoking and enlightening experience, bringing together leading experts, including a European Commission's DG JUST representative and industry professionals, to discuss and explore the latest trends, challenges, and opportunities in the field of restructuring and insolvency. You will have the opportunity to engage in meaningful dialogue with your peers, gain valuable insights from keynote speakers, and expand your professional network.

Don't miss this chance to stay ahead of the curve and deepen your understanding of the most pressing and vital topics of 2023, and enjoy the city of Vilnius.

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Some say that *"Boring isn't an option in Vilnius!"* It's a city packed with action, art, inspiration, history and more than a few unexpected adventures along the way. In parallel with the existing technical programme, you will have the opportunity to get lost in this beautiful city which promises you beautiful discoveries.

*We look forward to welcoming you very warmly in this magnificent setting filled with promise!*

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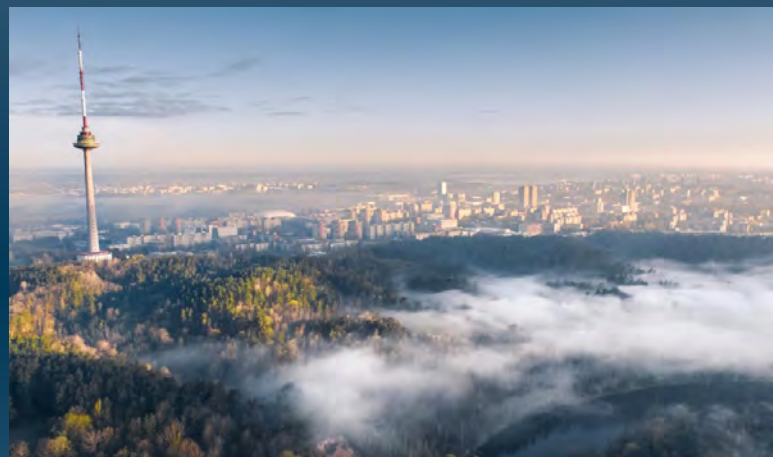
## TECHNICAL PROGRAMME

Our technical programme is taking shape thanks to our INSOL Europe 2023 Vilnius EECC Conference Technical Committee:

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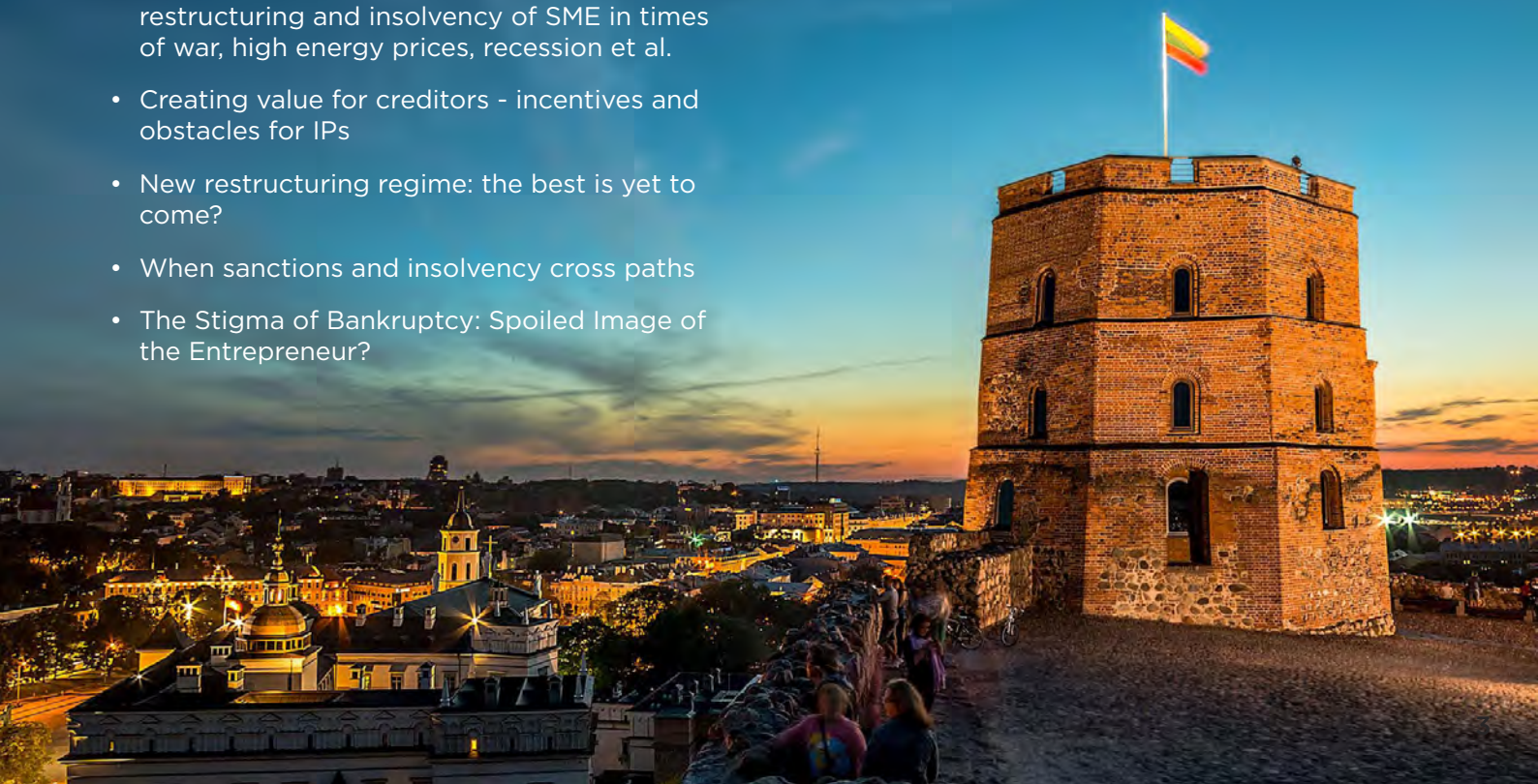
Our “**2023 Restructuring and Insolvency Practitioners survival Kit**” will be comprised of the following tools:

- IPs faced with external ongoing shocks: restructuring and insolvency of SME in times of war, high energy prices, recession et al.
- Creating value for creditors - incentives and obstacles for IPs
- New restructuring regime: the best is yet to come?
- When sanctions and insolvency cross paths
- The Stigma of Bankruptcy: Spoiled Image of the Entrepreneur?



- Cryptocurrency exchange meets insolvency
- EC’s Proposal for a Directive harmonising certain aspects of insolvency law

The full technical programme will be published on our website at [www.insol-europe.org/events](http://www.insol-europe.org/events) when finalised.



# FURTHER INFORMATION



## CONGRESS VENUE

This year our Conference will be held at the Radisson Blu Hotel Lietuva in Vilnius, Lithuania:  
**Konstitucijos pr. 20, 09308, Vilnius, Lithuania**

## ACCOMMODATION

INSOL Europe has reserved a limited number of rooms at the conference venue, available to book on line at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/4p9hazrv>

## EARLY BOOKING DISCOUNT

Register your place at the Conference before midnight on Thursday 23 March to receive the early booking discount.

## GETTING THERE

The Radisson Blu Hotel Lietuva stands on the banks of the River Neris. The hotel is in the heart of Vilnius, near rich historic sites such as the Old Town and Cathedral. The hotel is 9 km away from the airport. A taxi ride takes around 20 minutes, depending on traffic.

## WHEN TO ARRIVE

The registration desk will be open from 16.00 to 19.00 on Thursday 18 May and will reopen at 08.00 on Friday 19 May.

## PRE-CONFERENCE DINNER

There will be an optional pre-conference networking drinks and dinner at Radisson Blu Hotel Lietuva on Thursday 18 May. The cost of this dinner will be €50+VAT. If you would like to attend, please complete the section on the registration form and add your payment.

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2023 Restructuring and Insolvency Practitioners Survival Kit**

Friday 19 May 2023		
09:00-09:30	<b>Registration and welcome coffee</b>	
09:30-09:45	<b>Welcome address</b>	<b>Barry Cahir</b> , INSOL Europe president / Beauchamps, Ireland <b>Robert Peldán</b> , Borenius, Finland <b>Niculina Somlea</b> , INSOL Europe EECC Co-Chair / STRIDE, Romania <b>Georges-Louis Harang</b> , INSOL Europe EECC Co-Chair / Addleshaw Goddard (Europe), France
09:45-10:15	<b>Keynote Speech 1: The changing landscape of Insolvency practitioners profession in Europe</b>	<b>Prof. Salvija Mulevičienė</b> , Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania
10:15-11:00	<b>Session 1. IPs faced with external ongoing shocks: restructuring and insolvency of SME in times of war, high energy prices, recession et al.</b>	Panel leader: <b>Roman-Knut Seger</b> , BDO Restructuring, Germany Panellists: <b>Ernst Giese</b> , Giese & Partners, Czech Republic <b>Paulius Markovas</b> , Law Firm Norkus COBALT, Lithuania <b>Aleksandra Krawczyk</b> , ECO LEGAL, Poland
11:00-11:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:30-12:15	<b>Session 2. Creating value for creditors - incentives and obstacles for IPs</b>	Panel leader: <b>Frank Heemann</b> , bnt attorneys in CEE, Lithuania Panellists: <b>Susanne Fruhstorfer</b> , Taylor Wessing, Austria <b>Jan Lilius</b> , Hannes Snellman Attorneys, Finland <b>Janis Esenvalds</b> , Law office RER Lextal, Latvia
12:15-13:00	<b>Session 3. New restructuring regime: the best is yet to come?</b>	Panel leader: <b>Peeter Viirsalu</b> , TGS Baltic, Estonia Panellists: <b>Paul Carlanaru</b> , CITR, Romania <b>Krijn Hoogenboezem</b> , RESOR, The Netherlands <b>Gediminas Blaškevičius</b> , Blaškevičius LEGAL, Lithuania

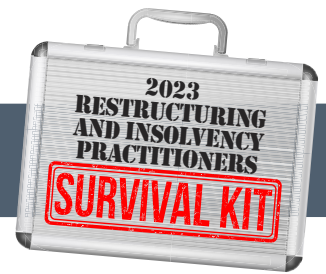


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13:00-14:00	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
14:00-14:30	<b>Keynote Speech 2</b>	<b>Iryna Zharonkina</b> , Pravo-Justice, Ukraine
14.30-15.15	<b>Session 4. When sanctions and insolvency cross paths</b>	Panel leader: <b>Edvīns Draba</b> , Sorainen, Latvia Panellists: <b>Job van Hooff</b> , Stibbe, The Netherlands <b>Justas Vilys</b> , VILYS & PARTNERS LAW FIRM, Lithuania
15:15-16:00	<b>Session 5. The Stigma of Bankruptcy: Spoiled Image of the Entrepreneur?</b>	Panel leader: <b>Ieva Strunkienė</b> , CEE Attorneys, Lithuania Panellists: <b>Neil Cooper</b> , INSOL Europe Honorary President, UK <b>Vilija Mogenytė</b> , Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania
16:00-16:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
16:30-17:15	<b>Session 6. Cryptocurrency exchange meets insolvency</b>	Panel leader: <b>David Orsula</b> , bnt attorneys in CEE, Slovakia Panellists: <b>Kristupas Bagdonavičius</b> , Response Legal, Lithuania <b>Anna Agu-Alekseitšik</b> , Lex Law Office, Estonia <b>Roger Bischof</b> , BAUR HÜRLIMANN, Switzerland
17:15-17:45	<b>Session 7. Fast and furious: EC's Proposal for a Directive harmonising certain aspects of insolvency law</b>	Panel leader: <b>Georges-Louis Harang</b> , Addleshaw Goddard (Europe), France Panellists: <b>Prof. Reinhard Bork</b> , University of Hamburg, Germany <b>Pawel Kuglarz</b> , Kuglarz independent law firm / Austrian Law School of University of Cracow, Poland
17.45-18.00	<b>Closing remarks</b>	<b>Robert Peldán</b> , Borenius, Finland

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