



Strengthening think tanks in Eastern and Central Europe: Exchanging good practices

11-14 November, 2004
BALTPARK Vilnius Hotel
Ukmerges str. 363, Vilnius

Preliminary agenda

1st day (November 11) The methods of research and analysis

Moderator Remigijus Simasius, Lithuanian Free Market Institute

- 11:00- 12:00 Registration
- 12:00- 13:00 Lunch
- 13:00- 14:00 Welcome, Julija Piksilingaite, Open Society Fund Lithuania
Informal introduction, exchange of expectations
- 14:00- 14:20 How the Methodology of Austrian Economics is Applicable in the Research of
Policy Advocacy Oriented Think Tanks
Jaroslav Romanchuk, Scientific Research Mises Center (Belarus)
- 14:20- 15:40 Discussion
- 15:40- 16:00 Coffee Break
- 16:00- 16:20 The Role of Sociological Surveys, Statistics, Comparative Analysis and other
Popular Methods in the Research of Policy Oriented Think Tanks
Ostaf Serghei, Resource Center of Moldavian Human Rights NGOs
- 16:20- 18:00 Discussion
- 19.00 Opening evening

2nd day (November 12) Management and coordination of the projects

Moderator Krassen Stanchev, Institute for Market Economics (Bulgaria)

- 9:30 - 09:45 Effective Internal organizational structure of think tank
Remigijus Simasius, Lithuanian Free Market Institute
- 09:45- 10:20 Discussion
- 10:20- 10:40 Coffee break
- 10:40- 11:00 Managing and Coordinating the Work of Think tank
Ugnius Trumpa, Lithuanian Free Market Institute
- 11:00-12:00 Discussion



Moderator Jaroslav Romanchuk, Scientific Research Mises Center (Belarus)

- 12:00- 13:30 Lunch
- 13:30- 13:50 Theory and Practice of Managing and Coordinating the Projects (management of big budget projects, managing networks)
Ostaf Serghei, Resource Center of Moldavan Human Rights NGOs
- 13:50- 14:50 Discussion
- 14:50- 15:10 Coffee break
- 15:10- 15:40 Networks of Think Tanks in Europe: rationale, overview, perspectives, strategies
Alberto Mingardi, Istituto Bruno Leoni (Italy)
Barbara Lamprechter, F.A. v. Hayek Institut (Austria)
- 15:40- 17:00 Discussion
- 19:00 Dinner
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3rd day (November 13) Fundraising

Moderator Ugnius Trumpa, Lithuanian Free Market Institute

- 09:30 - 10:00 Support of think tanks from the perspective of a think tank and business
Linus Pucinskas, BALTPARK
Krassen Stanchev, Institute for Market Economics (Bulgaria)
- 10:00 - 11:00 Discussion
- 11:00 - 11:20 Coffee break
- 11:20 - 11:40 Strategies of direct fundraising for think tanks
Ugnius Trumpa, Lithuanian Free Market Institute
- 11:40 - 12:40 Discussion
- 12:40 - 14:10 Lunch
- 14:10 - 14:30 The dilemma of public funds
Ruta Vainiene, Lithuanian Free Market Institute
- 14:30 - 14:50 EU funding
Pierre Garello, IES Europe
- 14:50 - 15:10 Quasi-public funding and public procurements
Vaidotas Ilgius, Non-Governmental Information and Support Center (Lithuania)
- 15:10 - 15:30 Coffee break
- 15:30 - 17:00 Discussion
- 19:00 Dinner



4th day (November 14) Public relations/Relations with governmental organizations and institutions

Moderator Asta Tobuleviciene, Lithuanian Free Market Institute

- 9:30 - 10:00 Think tank relations with governmental institutions
Krassen Stanchev, Institute for Market Economics (Bulgaria)
Mikhail Gorny, St. Petersburg Humanity and Political Studies Center "Strategy"
- 10:00 - 10:40 Discussion
- 10:40 - 11:00 Coffee break
- 11.00 - 11.30 Think tank relations with the media and methods to reach the media
Jaroslav Romanchuk, Scientific Research Mises Center (Belarus)
Alberto Mingardi, Istituto Bruno Leoni (Italy)
- 11:30 -12:30 Discussion
- 12:30 - 13:00 Concluding remarks
Ugnius Trumpa, Lithuanian Free Market Institute
- 13:00 - 14:00 Lunch