

International Conference & Summer School 2026

NextGen SUSTAINABILITY

Data, Artificial Intelligence and Sustainable Transformation

Date: 6-10 July 2026

Place: Mieczysławy Ćwiklińskiej 2,
35-601 Rzeszów - D1/D9

Sunday, 5th July

Day of arrivals of participants

Accommodation address: "Merkury" and "Hilton" dormitories, Ćwiklińskiej 2B Street, Rzeszów, 35-601,

Around 19:00 - Welcome dinner

Around 20:00 - Movie night and networking

Monday, 6th July

Opening Conference and cultural evening

Opening Conference: NextGen SUSTAINABILITY - Data, Artificial Intelligence and Sustainable Transformation

7:00 - 9:00 - breakfast

10:00 - 12:00 - Plenary Session - From Reliable Statistics to Responsible Innovation

Paul Schmerold - Holy Cross College at Notre Dame USA

Centers for Teaching and Learning in an AI-informed World

Marek Cierpień-Wolan - President of Statistics Poland

Big Data and Artificial Intelligence in a Changing World: Challenges and Directions for Development

Rifat Hossain - Director of Development - World Health Organisation

Intelligence for Equity: Governing AI so that Sustainable Development Reaches Everyone - Lessons from Global Health./ Switzerland

Grzegorz Kunicki - FormalFoundry

Verified AI, Verified Economics: How Formal Proof Systems Will Reshape Finance, Law, and the Decisions You'll Make/Poland

12:00 - 12:30 - coffee break

12:30 - 13:30 - Panel discussion I - Evidence-Based Sustainability: Statistics, Data Quality and AI for the SDGs

- **Renata Bielak** - Deputy President of the Polish Statistics
- **Grigoris Zarotiadis** - Member of the Board of Governance of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki/ President Association of South Eastern Europe Economic Universities (ASECU)
- **Leonid Nakov** - Saints Cyril and Methodius University of Skopje/ North Macedonia
- **Fuad Ganbarov** - Institute of Economics of the Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan/ Baku/ Azerbaijan

13:45 - 14:45 - Panel discussion II - AI-Driven Regional Innovation: Business, Universities and Sustainable Development in Practice

- **Prodromos Prodromidis** - Centre for Planning and Economic Research (KEPE) Athens/Greece
- **Jarosław Reczek** - Subcarpathian Chamber of Commerce - General Director/ Poland
- **Robert Celó** - Vice Dean at the Faculty of Economics at "Eqrem Çabej" University in Gjirokastra, Albania
- **Mateusz Zych** - Deloitte Central Europe BSC - Senior Operational Excellence Manager, Rzeszów / Poland
- **Ivan Dimitrov** - University of World Economy, Sofia/Bulgaria

15:00 - 16:00 - lunch



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16:00 - 17:00 - Staff Thematic Meeting

17:00 - 18:00 - Program-Specific Meeting

19:00 - CULTURAL EVENING! - Celebrating the cultures of all participating countries!

Tuesday, 7th July
Participants' Presentations

7:00 - 9:00 - breakfast

10:30 - 18:30 - formalfoundry.ai Workshops & Student Presentations

(group assignments will be announced on Monday)

15:00 - 16:00 - Lunch

(time depends on the group)

19:00 - Dinner

Around 20:00 - Networking evening

Wednesday, 8th July
A Day with the Podkarpackie Innovation Center

6:30 - 7:30 - breakfast

9:00 - 9:30 - Athanasios Thanopoulos - Deputy Director-General: EUROSTAT Skills for Trustworthy Official Statistics in the AI Era: Reskilling and Evolving the Statistical Profession (PCI)

9:30 - 16:00 - Workshops at the Podkarpackie Innovation Center (PCI)

(Lunch break during the visit)

Around 17:00 - Optional tour of the Rzeszów Cellars

19:00 - Dinner

Around 20:00 - Networking evening (Karaoke)



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Thursday, 9th July *Trip to Łańcut*

7:00 - 9:00 - breakfast

10:00 - 15:00 - Trip to the Łańcut Castle and Park Complex

16:00 - Lunch

19:00 - Dinner

Around 20:00 - Networking evening

Friday, 10th July *Closing Session of the Summer School*

7:00 - 9:00 - breakfast

10:00 - 11:30 - Professors' Lectures

12:00 - 13:00 - ASEC Youth Board Elections

13:30 - 15:00 - Closing Ceremony: Summer School Wrap-up and Awarding of Certificates

15:00 - Lunch

19:00 - Dinner

Saturday, 11th July *Check-out and Departures*

7:00 - 9:00 - breakfast

13:00 - Lunch



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