

FULL PROGRAMME

PILC and SEITE Conference 2026: Human-Centric Leadership — Talent, Technology and Brand Power

An international scientific conference and internship bringing together academics, lawyers, business leaders and public-sector practitioners from Ukraine and across Europe.

📍 25–29 September 2026 · [PAR University of Applied Sciences](#), Trg Riječke rezolucije 4, Rijeka, Croatia (25–26 Sept) · Hotel Mediteran, Poreč, Croatia (27–29 Sept)

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Organised by PAR University of Applied Sciences (Rijeka, Croatia) and Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University (Kharkiv, Ukraine), with the support of the Centre for Strategic Innovations and Progressive Development and E-Science Space (Poland).

Friday, 25 September — PILC day

RIJEKA · PAR UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

09:30

REGISTRATION

Participant registration · connecting to the platform

10:00

OPENING SESSION

Gordana Nikolić (Dean, PAR University of Applied Sciences) · **Anatoliy Getman** (Rector, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University) · **Adrian-Gabriel Corpădean** (Dean, Faculty of European Studies, Babeş-Bolyai University) · **Maryna Dei** (Director, E-Science Space)

10:50 – 11:40

KEYNOTE SPEECH

Human-Centric Leadership in Transformation: People, Purpose and Responsible Change

Nina Šebečić Crnolatac — International Business Leader and Strategic Advisor

Explores how human-centric leadership can drive successful organisational transformation amid uncertainty, technological change and rising demands for sustainability and inclusion.

11:40 – 12:40

KEYNOTE SPEECH

Human-Centric Cybersecurity Leadership: Talent, Trust and Technology in the AI Era

Sergiy Gnatyuk — Vice-Rector for Research and Technology Transfer, National University "Kyiv Aviation Institute"

How human-centric leadership is transforming cybersecurity, research and innovation in an environment shaped by AI and increasingly complex security challenges.

13:00 – 14:30

LUNCH BREAK

14:40 – 16:10

SPECIAL SESSION

Human-Centric Leadership in Times of Global Change

Roman Odarchenko · Adrian-Gabriel Corpădean · Dino Giergia · Tomislav Bukša

Leaders from academia, business and technology-intensive sectors examine how leadership is evolving in response to geopolitical instability, technological transformation and shifting institutional expectations.

16:10 – 17:00

KEYNOTE SPEECH

From Research Idea to Funded Impact: How to Build a Competitive International Project Proposal

Viktoriia Bilotserkivska — Manager, Digital Transformation Practice, CIVITTA

A practical perspective on what makes a project proposal convincing from the evaluator's point of view, drawing on 12+ years of donor-funded programme design experience.

Saturday, 26 September — SEITE day

RIJEKA · PAR UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

10:00 – 11:30

SPECIAL SESSION

Women's Leadership in Academia, Business and Public Governance

Snežana Bilić · Nataliia Honcharenko · Inna Heletiuk

Women leaders from academia, business and public governance discuss how leadership is shaped by institutional culture, professional responsibility and access to decision-making.

11:40 – 13:00

SPECIAL SESSION

Power of Influence: Personal Brand, Trust and Network Capital in Human-Centric Leadership

Inna Heletiuk — Founder of Connecting Women

An interactive session on how professional visibility, reputation and strategic communication are becoming essential dimensions of leadership in academia.

13:00 – 14:00

LUNCH BREAK

14:00 – 15:30

SPECIAL SESSION

Leadership and Artificial Intelligence after the EU AI Act

Sven Maričić · Andrii Fesenko

Examines how AI is transforming leadership, institutional responsibility and decision-making, and the impact of the EU AI Act on governance, risk management and accountability.

15:30 – 17:00

SPECIAL SESSION

Human Rights and Ethical Governance in the Digital Age

Ivana Kunda · Jasmina Mutabžija · Iryna Sopilko

How digital transformation, AI and data-driven technologies are reshaping the protection of human rights and the principles of responsible governance.

Sunday, 27 September

POREČ · CONFERENCE HALL, HOTEL MEDITERAN

10:00 – 13:00

PRACTICAL TRAINING

Project Management for International Academic and Institutional Initiatives

Moderator: Viktoriia Bilotserkivska

A practice-oriented training on developing, planning and implementing international projects — from funding opportunity to consortium building and a realistic implementation framework.

13:00 – 18:00

FIELD MODULE

Cultural Heritage, Urban Identity and Sustainable Development: Pula and Rovinj

A field-based academic module introducing participants to the historical, cultural and architectural heritage of Pula and Rovinj.

Monday, 28 September

VENICE, ITALY · OPTIONAL FIELD MODULE + PARALLEL ACADEMIC PROGRAMME IN POREČ

09:00 – 18:00

FIELD MODULE

Venice as a European Laboratory of Cultural Heritage, Urban Governance and Sustainable Development

An international field-based module using Venice as a case study in balancing heritage preservation with contemporary urban development and tourism pressure.

10:00 – 15:00

PLENARY RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

Parallel academic programme — Poreč

Moderator: Dr. Oksana M. Myronets

Dina Amandykova (International Education Corporation, Kazakhstan)

Human-Centered Urban Safety: The Potential of Digital Twins

Gulnara Kuzbayeva (Karaganda University of Kazpotrebsoyuz, Kazakhstan)

The Role of Microfinance Organizations in the Sustainable Development of Kazakhstan

Akmaral Sagybekova (L.B. Goncharov Kazakh Auto and Road Institute, Kazakhstan)

Research on the Influence of the Rheological Properties of Low-Strength Soils on the Reduction of the Bearing Capacity of Foundations of Structures and Roads

Zhanna Serikbayeva (Almaty Management University, Kazakhstan)

AI-Driven Consumer Lending: Opportunities, Risks and Implications for Financial Inclusion

Amina Chivazova (Almaty Management University, Kazakhstan)

Dynamic Development of Kazakhstan's Economy in the Context of Technological Modernization

Ddidar Tolegen (Lomonosov Gymnasium No. 38, Kazakhstan)

Digital Twins in Space: Intelligent Energy Management and the Evolving Role of the Human Engineer

Aiya Almabekkyzy (Shoqan School, Kazakhstan)

New Cancer Treatment Methods: From Immunotherapy to Cell-Based Therapies

Alimzhan Kali (School-Lyceum No. 165, Kazakhstan)

Presentation title to be confirmed

Tuesday, 29 September

POREČ · CONFERENCE HALL, HOTEL MEDITERAN

09:00 – 13:00

PRACTICAL TRAINING – ADVANCED

From Project Design to Pitch: Consortium Strategy, Implementation and Funding Readiness

Moderator: **Viktoriia Bilotserkivska**

Continues the project-management programme, moving from project design to implementation strategy, partnership coordination and professional presentation of the project concept.

13:00 – 17:00

FIELD MODULE

Poreč: Cultural Heritage, European Identity and Sustainable Local Development

A field-based module on the historical, cultural and architectural heritage of Poreč as a case study in cultural preservation and local governance.

19:00

CLOSING

Closing Ceremony and Certificate Presentation

Official presentation of certificates, recognition of participants' contributions, and a closing discussion on future academic and professional cooperation.

Programme & Organising Committee

Prof. Dr. Gordana Nikolić — Dean of PAR University of Applied Sciences, Rijeka, Croatia

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