13th Congress on Women’s entrepreneurship of the Adriatic and Ionian Area

AI-NURECC Plus Side Event

10 October 2023 - Hotel Splendid, Budva (Montenegro)

10:00 - 16:00h (CEST) - Mode of delivery: hybrid (on-site and online)

Working languages: English, Montenegrin, Croatian, Greek, Italian

Agenda

10:00 - 10:30 INTRODUCTORY ADDRESS

Moderator: Camilla Chiappini, Communications Officer at Forum of the Adriatic and Ionian Chambers of Commerce

- Ms. Nina Drakić, President of the Chamber of Economy of Montenegro
- Mr. Joze Tomaš, President of the Forum AIC
- Amb. Fabio Pigliapoco, Head of the Adriatic and Ionian Initiative Permanent Secretariat

Signing of Memorandum of Understanding between Montenegro Chamber of Economy and Marche Chamber of Commerce.

10:30 - 11:15 OVERVIEW OF WOMEN-LED ENTERPRISES IN THE ADRIATIC-IONIAN REGION: AVAILABLE DATA AND CONSIDERATIONS

- Ms. Nikolina Trojić, President of Dubrovnik Chamber of Economy - member of Forum AIC and Mr. Joze Tomaš, President of the Forum AIC
- Ms. Ljiljana Burzan Nikolić, Top Women Business Montenegro

11:15-11:30 Coffee break and networking

11:30 - 13:00 IMPORTANT INITIATIVES ENHANCING WOMEN’S ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Moderators: Marija Risteska, Secretariat of the Competitiveness Council and Alessandro Cinti, Postdoctoral researcher - Department of Management, Marche Polytechnic University - member of UniAdrion

- Ms. Kaca Đurićkovic, Team Leader, Gender Equality SEAL Hub, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Montenegro (online)
Ms. Sanja Popović Pantic, Chair of EEN thematic group Women Entrepreneurship
Ms. Tiziana Pompei, Deputy Secretary General of Unioncamere Italy
Ms. Alma Harašić Bremec, President KRUG – Croatian business women
Ms. Evisi Kopliku, Expert on Competitiveness, Regional Cooperation Council South East Europe, working group for Women Entrepreneurship (online)
Ms. Idaira Robayna Alfonso, EISMEA Project Advisor, Supporting Women Entrepreneurs (online)
Ms. Marina Duhani, President of Scutari Regional Council, Albania
Ms. Anela Lemeš, Women’s Economic Empowerment Programme Coordinator - UN Women Generation equality

13:00 - 14:00 Networking lunch

14:00 - 15:30 TESTIMONIES OF ENTREPRENEURS
Moderators: Jasna Pejović, CEO Flourish & CEO DigitalBee and Dimitrios F. Bakalis, Project Management Officer of EU-funded projects, Ilia Chamber of Commerce
Topic: Women in STEM/ Breaking down the traditional gender working barriers

Ms. Milica Janković, Exploring & CEO in Techorio (Montenegro)
Ms. Marijana Gligorić, owner of IT company BrigIt – winner of RCC award as Young Woman Entrepreneur of the Western Balkans (Serbia)
Ms. Luciana Di Bisceglie, President Bari Chamber of Commerce, President of Terziario Donna of Confcommercio Bari/Bat, vice president of Terziario Donna of national Confcommercio (online)
Ms. Branka Babić, Owner INFOS PLUS d.o.o – winner of award Woman Entrepreneur Croatia 2019 -2022 (Croatia)
Ms. Mojca Cvirn, Operations & Competencies Development Manager, PMP SRCInfonet (Slovenia) (online)
Ms. Azra Dzigal, independent consultant on women’s entrepreneurship, member of the Regional Association of Female Entrepreneurs (BIH)
Ms. Anne-Claire De Faveri, CEO of Algem Natura (San Marino) (online)
Ms. Hatixhe Bilibashi, CEO STEM Hub Albania (Albania) (online)

15:30 CONCLUSIONS

Mr. Stavros Kalognomos, Executive Secretary of the Balkan and Black Sea Commission (BBSC), Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR) - AI-NURECC PLUS Coordinator (online)

Coffee break and networking

16:30 - FORUM AIC General Assembly (for members only)