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**JOIN FORCES FOR INNOVATION AND
ADVANCEMENT AT THE LOS ANGELES –
LITHUANIA BUSINESS FORUM**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
8 AM – 1:30 PM**

UCLA ANDERSON SCHOOL OF
MANAGEMENT 110 WESTWOOD PLAZA,
LOS ANGELES, CA 90095

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
H.E. GITANAS NAUSĖDA
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA

**FOCUS ON NET ZERO, ICT, FOOD AND
DEFENSE**

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8:00-08:15 AM

Registration

Venue: North Terrace

08:15-10:00AM

Introduction of Lithuanian Business Companies and Networking Breakfast

Ms. Daiva ČEKANAUSKAS NAVARRETTE, UCLA Alumni, Honorary Consul of the Republic of Lithuania in Central Coast of California

Ms. Christine PETERSON, Director of International Trade & Investment, Office of Mayor Karen Bass

10:10-10:15AM

Welcome speech by TBC

Mr. Gene BLOCK, the Chancellor of UCLA, or Mr. Antonio BERNARDO, Dean and John E. Anderson Chair in Management

Venue: Grand Salon

10:15-10:25AM

Keynote address by H.E. Gitanas NAUSĖDA, President of the Republic of Lithuania

10:25-11:00AM

How to co-create and transform the future together - moderated conversation by Mr. Antonio BERNARDO, Dean and John E. Anderson Chair in Management

Participants (TBC):

- H.E. Gitanas NAUSĖDA, President of the Republic of Lithuania
- Ms. Eleni KOUNALAKIS, Lieutenant Governor of California
- Ms. Erin BROMAGHIM, Deputy Mayor of International Affairs, Office of Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass

11:00-11:15AM

UCLA Global Access Program overview by TBC

11:15-11:50AM

Panel 1 | Business Cooperation Opportunities: Breakthrough Technologies for Driving Green Transformation and Net-Zero Commitments moderated by Kenneth Laird WENGROD, Vice President of Global Trade and Foreign Investment, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce

Participants (TBC):

- Mr. Stephen CHEUNG, President & CEO of Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC)
- Mr. Michael SWORDS, Vice-President Government Affairs and International Relations, CleanTech Incubator, Los Angeles
- Mr. Laurynas MIŠKINIS, Head of Organic Products R&D and Commerce, Auga Group, Lithuania
- Mr. Ernestas VARNAS, Head of North America continent, Teltonika IoT GROUP, Lithuania

11:50-12:25PM

Panel 2 | Business Cooperation Opportunities: Navigating the Digital Landscape: Connectivity, Trade and Transport in the Information Age moderated by Mr. Darius RAULINAITIS, UCLA Alumni, Senior Vice President, Portfolio Management Director and Co-Founder of The Lake Avenue Group at Morgan Stanley, California (TBC)

Participants (TBC):

- Mr. Gerald KASULIS, Vice-President Business and Channel Operations North America, Nord Security
- Mr. Einaras VON GRAVROCK, Founder at CUBE3.AI. Startups & AI. Young Presidents Organization, Los Angeles
- Mr. Algis LATAKAS, Chief Executive Officer, Klaipeda State Seaport Authority
- Mr. Robert JUODKA, Board Member of the Lithuanian Defense and Security Industries Association

12:25-12:30PM

Closing remarks by

H.E. Audra PLEPYTĖ, Ambassador of Lithuania to the United States of America

12:30-13:30PM

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