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Wed 7.8.	<p>17:00 (21:00 gig begins) In ENGLISH (Swedish, Finnish)</p> <p>OSTROBOTHNIAN YOUNG TALK 2019 – PASSION FOR FUTURE Organizer: ELY-Centre Ostrobothnia, in collaboration Viexpo, NordicHub, Talent Coastline, Nuori Yrittäjyys, JCI Vaasa, Vasek, Wasaline, VOAS, Gambit, Ostrobothnia Chamber of Commerce, City of Vaasa, VES, and Regional Council of Ostrobothnia.</p> <p><i>ELY Centre and their young visionaries have organized for you an event full of experts on entrepreneurship, internationalisation and Nordic cooperation, who will tell you more about the Ostrobothnia region and its potential for youth. Alongside the young visionaries Robin Blomberg, Daniela Ilomäki, Sanni Palosaari, Olivia Risberg, Emmi Ruuskanen, Anniina Syrjälä and Valtteri Thodén, the speakers of the event include: Mari Huuhka (Gambit); Sakari Rahtu (Kapkem); Juha Häkkinen (Ostrobothnia Chamber of Commerce); Johanna Långskog (Wasaline), Hippi Hovi (Rannikko-Pohjanmaan Yrittäjät); Oskari Kaskinen & Heli Karhi (VES), Mari Kattelus (Vasek); Francesca Cucinotta (ELY); Emine Ehrström (ELY); Tomi Kaukinen (Licence to Fail); Kristian Schrey (Viexpo); Joel Sunabacka (Ålandsbanken); Anders Fransén (Åbo Akademi/Vasa Övningskolas Gymnasium); Alex Rauhala (Athlete); Oskar Lindén (ELY/ Student at Hanken); Håkan Nordman & Riitta Pääjärvi-Myllyaho (Kouluviestikarnevaali); Stefan Damlin (Vaasan Sähkö); Sture Udd (UpCode, WIC); Marja-Riitta Vest (ELY); Kirill Helsing & Ellen Bos (Vaasa Youth Council); André Martinez (Svensk Ungdom).</i></p> <p>More info: https://tinyurl.com/yvr5ca5d The event will end up with a gig with Maustetytöt and Bubbeli (starting at 21:00).</p>		
Thu 8.8.	<p>12-13:30 in ENGLISH</p> <p>ATTRACTIVE CITIES AND NEW VAASA Discussion on talent attraction and retention, and on building socially and economically sustainable, innovative and inclusive urban environment. Chaired by Mari K. Niemi & Khuram Shahzad (InnoLab, UVA)</p> <p><u>Opening talk:</u> "Finland as I see it." By Erika Benke (Senior Broadcast Journalist, BBC News).</p> <p><u>Expert talks and commentaries:</u> "Demography forecasts, talent shortage and regional</p>	<p>13:50-15:00 In FINNISH & SWEDISH</p> <p>TULEVAISUUDEN RATKAISUT: OSAAMINEN, INNOVAATIOT JA YHTEISÖLLISYYS / Framtidens lösningar: kunnande, innovationer och samhällelighet.</p> <p><u>Paneelikeskustelu/Paneldiskussion.</u></p> <p>Moderaattori/Moderator: Mari K. Niemi (InnoLab)</p> <p>Keskustelijat/Debattörer: Tomas Häyry (kaupunginjohtaja, Vaasa),</p>	<p>16:30-20:00 -> In SWEDISH, FINNISH, ENGLISH</p> <p>KVARKEN JUBILEUM A folk festival; a get together for politicians and common people to discuss the future of the region. A celebration of the new EGTC – Future Growth Region in Finland-Sweden-Norway</p> <p>16.30 Philip Järvenpää performs 17.15 <u>Speeches</u> Joakim Strand (Member the Finnish Parliament and the Chairman of the Kvarken Council) Thomas Blomqvist (Minister for Nordic Cooperation and Equality) Anders Ahnlid (Ambassador of Sweden to Finland) Ville Skinnari (Minister for Development Cooperation and Foreign Trade) Tomas Häyry (Mayor of the city of Vaasa) Round table with participating Members of Parliament 17:30 Fencing performance by Vaasan Miekkailijat ry</p>



<p>development” Alekski Koivisto (MDI)</p> <p>“Entrepreneurs solutions for talent shortage” Andreas Paschinsky (Devatus)</p> <p>“How public sector can support regional innovation capabilities?” Johanna Kalliokoski & Antti Mäenpää (UVA)</p> <p>”Why we chose Vaasa?” Man Yang (Hanken School of Economics) & Rathan Alagirisamy (UVA)</p> <p>“Attractive Future Cities”, Helka Kalliomäki (UVA)</p> <p>“Wasa Water City Vision”, Sture Udd (UpCode & WIC)</p>	<p>Kai Kamila (Director, Human Resources, Wärtsilä Finland),</p> <p>Laura Lindeman (johtava asiantuntija, TEM),</p> <p>Tytti Määttä (kaupunginjohtaja, Kuhmo)</p> <p>Hannes Torppa, (Pj. VYY)</p> <p>Kolme pointtia nuorten näkökulmasta/ Tre punkter från de ungas perspektiv)</p>	<p>17.45 Uncovering and opening: Special Memory Plate to be displayed.</p> <p>18.00 Olivia Schönfeldt performs</p> <p>19:00 Special Art exhibition opening by Camilla Forsén-Ström: “Friends of Frida”</p> <p>Activity for children</p> <p>Chance to meet entrepreneurs from Umeå</p> <p>NIGHT OF TECH AND SCIENCE & WASA INNOVATION CENTER OPEN DOORS POP UP</p> <p>19:00 Wasa Innovation Center open Doors</p> <p>“Possibilities of Gamification” by Jussi Loukiainen, Platonic Partnership Oy. Hands on-possibilities on gamification methods and tools</p> <p>Pulmapuoti’s exhibition of problem-solving tools and toys.</p> <p>20:00 Meet inspiring innovator Rui Coutinho in person and hear his talk on Human-centered Innovation</p> <p>Robot Exhibition until 00:00</p>
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<p>Fri 9.8.</p>	<p>9:30-11.00 FIN, SWE</p> <p>TERVEYDENHOITO: YKSITYISTÄ VAI JULKISTA? FAKTAT, TUNTEET JA RATKAISUT/ Hälsovård: Privat eller offentligt? Fakta, känslor och lösningar</p> <p><u>Paneelikeskustelu/Paneldiskussion.</u></p> <p>Moderaattori/Moderator: Sture Udd.</p> <p>Keskustelijat/Debattörer:</p> <p>Martti Kekomäki, Professor Emeritus</p> <p>Mats Brandt, Dr & Mayor of Nykarleby</p>	<p>13:10-14:15 FIN, SWE</p> <p>JULKISTA SEKTORIA UUDISTAMASSA - RATKAISUJA EETTISIIN, TALOUDELLISIIN JA JURIDISIIN ONGELMIIN / Förnyandet av den offentliga sektorn – lösningar på de etiska, ekonomiska och juridiska frågorna</p> <p><u>Paneelikeskustelu/Paneldiskussion.</u></p> <p>Moderaattori/Moderator: Mari K. Niemi (InnoLab).</p> <p>Keskustelijat/Debattörer:</p> <p>Kim Berg (kansanedustaja, Sdp)</p>	<p>15:45-16:45 IN ENGLISH</p> <p>“U.S. POLITICS & COLD WAR ON TECHNOLOGY”</p> <p><u>Panel discussion.</u></p> <p>Chair: Jussi Lähde</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <p>Kristiina Helenius (CEO, Nordic West Office, USA)</p> <p>Matti Apunen (Public Thinker)</p> <p>Thomas Hoyer (CEO, Latitude 66 Cobalt)</p> <p>Johanna Sumuvuori (State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs)</p>
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<p>Miapetra Kumpula-Natri, MEP</p> <p>Antti Kurvinen, Member of Parliament</p> <p>12:00-13:00 In ENGLISH</p> <p>DIGITALISATION AND PUBLIC SECTOR – INNOVATIONS, RENEWAL AND ETHICAL CHALLENGES <i>Expert talks on forecasting the future, digital transformation in the public sector and juridical, political and ethical issues related to it.</i></p> <p>Chairs: Mari K. Niemi and Khuram Shahzad (InnoLab).</p> <p><u>Talks:</u> "Whose futures? Views on active anticipation." Hanna-Kaisa Perna (UVA)</p> <p>"Is technology radically changing the public sector?" Sorin Dan (InnoLab)</p> <p>"Law and responsible digitalisation" Niina Mäntylä (InnoLab & UVA)</p> <p>Christoph Demmke (InnoLab & UVA): "Ethics and digitalisation"</p> <p><u>Commentary:</u> "Perspectives from EU legislation" Miapetra Kumpula-Natri (Member of European Parliament)</p>	<p>Johan Boholm (tietojohtaja, Raisoft)</p> <p>Jan Erola (viestintäyrittäjä, Kravat)</p> <p>Marina Kinnunen (johtaja, Vaasan sairaanhoitopiiri)</p> <p>Emilia Kullas (johtaja, EVA)</p> <p>Päivi Nerg (hallintopolitiikan alivaltiosihteeri, Valtiovarainministeriö)</p> <p>14:30-15:30 In ENGLISH</p> <p>AMERICAN AFTERNOON – POLITICS, TECHNOLOGY, FUTURE</p> <p>"My years in the White House" – an interview on U.S politics, political campaigning and future of the U.S. presidency with Judithanne Scourfield McLauchlan (University of South Florida, U.S.). Mari K. Niemi (InnoLab, UVA) hosts.</p> <p>"Twitter-in-Chief. U.S. Presidency and social media". Jani Kokko (University of Jyväskylä)</p> <p>"Teacher's perspective – Youth and U.S. politics", Kadie Becker (EL Coordinator and Teacher, Lincoln International High School, Minneapolis.)</p>	<p>Ville Skinnari (Minister for Development Cooperation and Foreign Trade)</p> <p>17-18:10 (FIN/SWE)</p> <p>TULEVAISUUDEN TURVALLISUUSRATKAISUT: SUURI HÄVITTÄJÄHANKINTA-KESKUSTELU / Framtidens försvarslösningar: Den stora diskussionen om jaktplansanskaffninga.</p> <p><u>Paneelikeskustelu/Paneldiskussion.</u></p> <p>Moderaattorit/Moderator: Mari K. Niemi (InnoLab, UVA) & Jenni Karimäki (Eduskuntatutkimuksen keskus, Turun yliopisto).</p> <p>Keskustelijat/Debattörer: Jussi Lähde</p> <p>Jari Mikkonen (prikaatikenraali, ilmavoimien esikuntapäällikkö, puolustusvoimat)</p> <p>Emilia Kullas (johtaja, Elinkeinoelämän valtuuskunta EVA)</p> <p>Nils Torvalds (Europarlamentaarikko);</p> <p><u>Kommenttipuheenvuoro /Kommentar:</u></p> <p>Anders Ahnlid (Ruotsin suurlähettiläs Suomessa/Sveriges ambassadör)</p>
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Sat 10.8.	<p>11:00-15:00 HAYMARKET ON OLD SQUARE <i>Bock's Corner Brewery open for Haymarket Saturday Lunch buffe 11-3pm (14,50eur/person, children under 12 y. half price).</i></p> <p>13:00-15:30 in ENGLISH VAASA SPACE ECONOMY FORUM https://spacetalks.net/event/vaasa-space-economy-forum/</p> <p>From space science to new space – space-based data offers ways to explain our universe as well as provides new business prospects through remote sensing, telecommunication and positioning. Space industry has gone through a major transformation recently via the easier and less expensive access to space and these opportunities are in focus in the presentations and panel of this Forum at the Wasa Future Festival 2019. The event is also contributing to Finland's preparation for the ESA Space19+, ESA's next Ministerial Council held in November 2019. Website: https://www.univaasa.fi/en/events/etusivu/wasafuturefestival_2019/ Facebook event: https://www.facebook.com/events/446468859466517/ Event online-streaming via Zoom: https://uwasa.zoom.us/j/280547735</p> <p>Chair: Heidi Kuusniemi, Professor, Director, Digital Economy, University of Vaasa Speakers and Panelists: Kimmo Kanto, Head of Space, Business Finland, Finnish contribution to European Space Programmes, 15-20 min Miranda Saarentaus, Senior Advisor, ESA Business Applications Finland, Geowise Ltd., Bringing Space Data into your Business, 15-20 min Jani Heikkilä, Sales Director, Bitcomp Ltd., Business from intelligent space data, 20 min Kendall Rutledge, Research Lead, Energy and Environment, Novia University of Applied Sciences, Current ESA and commercial observations from space, 15-20 min Jaan Praks, Assistant Professor, Department of Electronics and Nanoengineering, School of Electrical Engineering, Aalto University Arno Aho, Editor, Kauppalehti Ltd.</p>
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