







# EBRD SEMINAR: INVESTING TO ENHANCE PRODUCTIVITY AND COMPETITIVENESS

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Since the establishment of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) in 1991 with the aim to foster transition to market economy in the region, the Republic of Lithuania has been one of the countries of operation eligible for the support from the EBRD. Although Lithuania is today an advanced transition country, there is still scope for financial support from the EBRD. In the new Country Strategy for Lithuania approved last year, fostering private sector competitiveness through innovation, including through private equity funds, and the energy sector, energy efficiency in particular, are identified as priority areas for the coming years. This seminar aims to inform the audience about opportunities offered by the EBRD.

9:00 – 9:30 Registration and coffee

## **Opening speeches:**

9:30 – 9:40 Mr Vilius Šapoka, Minister of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania 9:40 – 9:50 Mr Mindaugas Sinkevičius, Minister of Economy of the Republic of Lithuania

9.50-10.10 EBRD's Country Strategy for Lithuania 2016 - 2020

Ms Sylvia Gansser-Potts, Managing Director, Central and South Eastern Europe, EBRD Mr Grzegorz Zielinski, Regional Director, Poland and the Baltics, EBRD

#### 10.10-11.30 Session: Investment for Growth & Competitiveness

- Dr Mateusz Szczurek, Associate Director, Regional Lead Economist, EBRD
- Mr Audrius Zabotka, CEO, INVEGA
- Mr Tadas Gudaitis, Board Member, Lithuanian Investment and Pension Funds Association (LIPFA)
- Mr Arvydas Saročka, Board Member, Lithuanian Private Equity and Venture Capital Association (LT VCA)
- Fintech Company, TBA

11:30 - 12:30 Networking

### **PARTNERS:**

