

LEADERSHIP FORUM



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Leadership Forum Overview

Started in 2021, the Leadership Forum is a space where leaders meet for growth, synergy and action. The last forum gathering included 120 participants, including 20+ private sector industries and public sector leaders. The men and women that make up this community inspire us to reach higher. We would be thrilled to welcome you to this community too!

The best is yet to come,

Josh Miekley, Leadership Forum Founder

Forum Vision

Be the premier leadership initiative in the Western Balkans by 2030.

Values

Integrity, Relationships, Growth, Fully Thriving

Mid-term Goals

- ✓ Impacting leaders by promoting Forum values.
- ✓ Creating an interconnected network of professionals
- ✓ Building trust among leaders and investors in the region

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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS & ACTIVITIES

Corporate Membership (€800)

Corporate membership includes all the benefits for business members for up to 5 individuals. Corporate member benefits include:

- Private reception invitation (at least one per year)
- First option for panels (when panels are not filled by guests or sponsors)
- All the business member benefits listed below

Business Membership (€180)

Business membership includes:

- Priority registration for the main forum event in Tirana
- Business name/logo listed on website
- All the benefits for individual members

Individual Elite Membership (€120)

Individual Elite membership main benefits include:

- Exclusive event invitations only for elite, business and corporate members
- All the benefits for individual members
- Discounted member rate for the main forum event in Tirana

Individual Membership (€60)

Individual membership main benefits include:

- Invitations and access to select events—both free and fee-based events
- Eligibility for working group participation and pilot projects
- Discounted member rate for the main forum event in Tirana

Beyond the stage, we come together over coffee, wine, and fire chats, connecting, exchanging perspectives, and proposing solutions in an open and collaborative spirit. We also organize numerous sports activities and social evenings, stepping outside formal frameworks to connect above all as friends.

To become a member, please contact Ana Shehu
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FORUM VALUES



Integrity drives to deliver what we've promised. Integrity means being honest. It also mean that we acknowledge if we've made a mistake. We take ownership for mistakes rather than blaming or hiding. Integrity includes being transparent and open about what we can do and what we can't do. Integrity means that we choose not to provide a short-term fix or to put a band aid when a major organizational intervention is needed.

INTEGRITY



Conversations are a core business process. It takes skill to have useful relationships. Useful relationships increase clarity. And they also increase regard for the other person in relationship. Sometimes this involves asking the right question. Other times it involves making a new connection. It always involves listening well.

RELATIONSHIPS



We believe that everyone has the ability to change and grow. Today you may be STUCK in a rut. Tomorrow you can be UNSTUCK.

Leaders have the responsibility for creating a culture of authenticity and vulnerability so that people in the organization can get unstuck. This starts with being open and honest and say, "I don't know", "I need help" and "My mistake" which are all part of the growth journey.

PEOPLE'S GROWTH



We recognize the importance of balance in life, including mental health and caring for the whole person. We promote growth in all areas of life- professional, personal and spiritual.

The more integrated we are as human beings, the better we can be at collaborating with and leading other human beings at work.

FULLY THRIVING

FORUM HISTORY

2025

The 6th Leadership Forum in April, 2025 explored how people and organizations can flourish amid rapid advances in artificial intelligence. Speakers and panelists included Bujar Bakiu, Ermal Sadiku, Diana Xhumari, Franceska Korance, Ivana Karalieva-Petreska, Ville Korpela, Aida Velaj, and Kristina Awwad. The forum also honored the legacy of Gerti Bogdani with the Forum Leadership award given to Daniel Bundo.





2024

In April, 2024, Chris Allen, Founder of Always About People, delivered the keynote on “Building Thriving Human Cultures.”

Other speakers included Grant Van Cleve, Roden Pajaj, Flutura Veipi, Gerti Boshnjaku, Nikica Mojsoska-Blazevski, and Aneida Bajraktari.



2023

Leading up to the 3rd Leadership Forum on Integrity, Eni Xheko shared her vision. “People who are leading with integrity need to know that they are not alone.” The forum community signed a manifesto that included the statement, “We seek to treat others the way we want to be treated.”

Other speakers in 2023 included Mark Crawford, Brunilda Isaj, Paul Lofquist, Gerti Bogdani, and Edlira Cepani.

2022

At the 2nd Leadership Forum on the topic “Trust Matters”, Psychologist Dr. Elona Prroj gave the keynote talk telling us the story of when she did the unthinkable —she forgave the man who murdered her husband. She recalled what she had recently told her daughter: “I want to invite you to forgive the man who murdered our father just as God has forgiven you.” This forum included panelists and presenters such as Daniel Crawford Irida Bonati, and Gerion Treska.



2021

Starting in 2021, we invited leaders to the Lincoln Center courtyard (ish-Vila e Enverit) in groups of up to 8 to discuss how to lead in crisis. Calvin Tiessen remarked after one such session, “Josh, there is a hunger among leaders to have real, honest conversations.” At another gathering, Adrian Shehu, CEO of TCN, asked us to gather leaders for a forum, and Flutura Veipi quickly got behind the idea. Both Union Bank and TCN began sponsorship, which has continued to this day.



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