



Dear Macedonia2025 Community,

As we step into the lively month of June, we pause to reflect on the dynamic achievements of May and anticipate the promising opportunities that await us.

In this edition of our newsletter, we are excited to share a summary of last month's activities, which included 2 regional science fairs with 250+ attendees and our annual 2-day Summit with 700+ participants and 4 networking events.

Your continued support is crucial to our mission of driving economic growth and nurturing the next generation of leaders.

Warm regards,
Macedonia2025 Team

Highlights from the 13th Annual Macedonia2025 Summit

Thank you to everyone who made the 13th annual Macedonia2025 Summit a resounding success, with over 450 attendees, 15 insightful sessions, 50+ speakers, and more than 10 side events, meetings, and guest lectures—your engagement and passion drive us to new heights.

Here's to continued growth, collaboration, and innovation! Until next year!



SUMMIT FEEDBACK



VIP NETWORKING PHOTOS



SUMMIT PHOTOS

Summit Speakers Inspire and Educate Across Macedonia

This year's Summit featured parallel sessions where 5 Summit speakers visited Macedonian faculties, organizations and conferences to share their expertise.

- ◆ Our co-founder, Mike Zafirovski shared his insights in a session at Pivara Skopje. The employees learned some important lessons, shared their thoughts and found similar values in this session, which we hope will be repeated in the future!



- ◆ Dr. Arber Shehu, at the American Corner in Struga, inspired over 20 youths with the lesson, "Let the opportunities lead you."
- ◆ Mr. Erdzan Presova spoke on effective communication and business strategies at American College Skopje.
- ◆ Hassan Yasin shared his startup journey insights with students at the Mechanical Engineering Faculty in Skopje.
- ◆ Bozhanka Vitanova and Hassan Yasin participated in a panel on start-up scaling at WITCON.



Macedonia2025 Announces New Chair

Macedonia2025 announces the appointment of Viktor Mizo as Chairman of its Board of Directors. Mizo, who joined the Macedonia2025 Board in 2020, succeeds Michael Cklamovski, President, Northern California at Northern Trust, who served as Chairman since 2021.

FULL ANNOUNCEMENT

INTRODUCING THE NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF MACEDONIA2025

VIKTOR MIZO

VICE PRESIDENT OF GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, KOSTAL GROUP



Advancing Evidence-Based Learning Fairs for Young Minds

[The third regional Science Fair](#), part of the "Science and Me" project organized by Macedonia2025 and the Johnson Matthey Community Impact Program, took place at "Nevena Georgieva - Dunja" Elementary School in Skopje, engaging over 30 enthusiastic 6th-grade students from five schools in Skopje and Kumanovo, supported by our corporate partners and supporters to ignite a passion for science.



THE "SCIENCE AND ME" PROJECT

At the primary school "Brakja Miladinovci" in Struga, we celebrated the [grand finale of our regional Science Fair](#) under the Johnson Matthey "Science and Me" community impact program, where over 30 talented sixth-grade students from Struga, Rosoman, Chelopek, and Bukovikj showcased their innovative projects to an enthusiastic audience of more than 150 peers, thanks to the support of our corporate partners and volunteers.



Zafirovski Fellows Reunite with Mike Zafirovski

The Zafirovski Fellows met under the theme "Empowering Leaders for Success," featuring a powerful address by Mike Zafirovski, the visionary behind the [Zafirovski Executive Education Program](#), inspiring leadership growth and collaboration among 30 fellows, thanks to the steadfast support of the Robin and Mike Zafirovski Foundation.

THE ZAFIROVSKI EXECUTIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM



GoDigital Partners to Propel Macedonian SMEs into the Digital Future

GoDigital signed a memorandum of understanding with 3 partners: The Increasing Market Employability Programme (IME), The Clearing House - Clearing Interbank Systems AD Skopje (KIBS) and VISA to support the digital transformation of micro, small, and medium enterprises in Macedonia, aiming to enhance their competitiveness and visibility on global markets.



At the same time, 11 out of 17 business consultants became certified digital transformation experts which are going to be matched with Macedonian SMEs, guiding and supporting them on their digital transformation journey. The remaining consultants will be certified in the following month.

Our mission is to ensure that more Macedonian business become business of the future!

Get in touch:



Connect2MK Platform

Are you a Macedonian company seeking support or a worldwide business expert offering support?

Sign up to the Connect2MK platform, Macedonia2025's matchmaking platform for connecting businesses with experts!



Join us on the Connect2MK platform! Macedonian diaspora experts can mentor, consult, or partner with local businesses, contributing to individual success and national resilience. Let's collaborate to drive economic development, foster innovation, and create opportunities for prosperity across borders.

[MORE INFORMATION HERE](#)

Many thanks to Intertec.io for donating and developing the platform, as well as the promotional video.

2023 Achievements

Together, we've achieved remarkable milestones in 2023. Our annual report provides a detailed overview of our achievements and impact made in 2023. For instance, within our business related programs, we supported 79 businesses, 30 managers and 469 young talents. Furthermore, we raised USD 1.3 million, funds that will be used to implement our programs and increase our impact, helping build a stronger Macedonia. These victories aren't just ours; they're YOURS too.

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Macedonia2025 and The Media

We recognize the media representatives as our strong ally and held a media briefing at the beginning of May to share vibrant details of the upcoming Macedonia2025 Summit.



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