



ELF THINKING ALOUD AT FREEDOM GAMES 2020

ABOUT THE EVENT

ELF Thinking Aloud is a special part of Freedom Games 2020 forum designated exclusively to a series of events under the banner of European Liberal Forum, in cooperation and with participation of several member organizations of the network.

The COVID-19 pandemic has become a planet-wide event of an unprecedented scale. This is why it is worth using these strange times to reflect and talk things over, in an attempt to set a new course for the "new normal" in a post-pandemic world.

Therefore, Freedom Games offer a unique opportunity to utilize the potential of an already recognized event in Poland to promote both liberal agenda and the activities of European Liberal Forum and its members. Presenting the online audiences with a package of events narrowly focused on several key topics is aimed at developing a platform for discussing issues vital in the age of the pandemics. The goal of this series is to, first and foremost, inspire and motivate.

EVENT SCHEDULE

13/11/2020 (Friday)

17:00 Opening Ceremony: Speeches by organizers and main partners of the event:

Błażej Lenkowski, President of the Board, Fundacja Liberté!,

Hanna Zdanowska, Mayor, City of Lodz

18:30 - 18:50 Key note address: "Values in the Third Polish Republic"

Tomasz Grodzki, Speaker of the Polish Senate

18:50 - 19:20 Key note speech and live meeting: "Prospects for freedom in Central Europe"

Timothy Garton Ash, Professor of European Studies, University of Oxford. He is the author of ten books of contemporary history and political writing which have explored many facets of the history of Europe over the last half-century. They include *The Polish Revolution: Solidarity*, *The File: A Personal History*, *In Europe's Name: Germany and the Divided Continent* and *Facts are Subversive: Political Writing from a Decade without a Name*

Moderator: Magdalena M. Baran, Deputy Editor-in-Chief, *Liberte!*

END OF THE FIRST DAY



15/11/2020 (Sunday)

18:15-19:45 "The World after the Pandemics" – power speeches

"Populism in Europe" by **Andrea Virag**, Director of Strategy, Republikon Institute,

"Response to Migration during the COVID-19" by **Sarka Prat**, Director, Institute for Politics and Society,

"Digital Transformation during the Pandemics" by **Matus Posvanc (tbc)**, Director, F. A. Hayek Foundation,

"The Pandemics in Data" by **Rafał Szymczak**, communications strategy consultant, PR Profile Agency,

"The Pandemics and Ecology" by **Weronika Michalak**, Director, Health and Environment (HEAL) Poland

"Cities, the Pandemics, and the Exit Strategy" by **Tomasz Kamiński**, Ph.D Assistant Professor Department of Asian Studies Faculty of International and Political Studies, University of Lodz,

"Culture and the Pandemics" by **Olga Brzezińska**, President, Miasto Literatary Foundation,

"Global Economy: Post-Pandemic Economic Situation and State Responses" by **Tomasz Kasprowicz**, Managing Partner at Gemini sc, Vice President at Res Publica Nowa,

"COVID-19 and Education" by **Daria Hejwosz-Gromkowska**, Doctor of Humanities, Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Educational Studies of the University of Adam Mickiewicz.

END OF THE PROGRAMME

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