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## ABOUT THE FORUM SPEAKERS & PANELISTS:

### **JAAN TALLINN**

Member of the European Commission's High-Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence



Jaan Tallinn is a founding engineer of Skype and Kazaa. He is a co-founder of the Cambridge Centre for the Study of Existential Risk ([cser.org](http://cser.org)), Future of Life Institute ([futureoflife.org](http://futureoflife.org)), and philanthropically supports other existential risk research organisations. Jaan is on the Board of Sponsors of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists ([thebulletin.org](http://thebulletin.org)), and has served on the [High-Level Expert Group on AI](#) at the European Commission, as well as on the Estonian President's Academic Advisory Board. He is also an active angel investor, a partner at Ambient Sound Investments ([asi.ee](http://asi.ee)), and a former investor director of the AI company DeepMind ([deepmind.com](http://deepmind.com)).

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### **SIIM SIKKUT**

Government Chief Information Officer (CIO) / Deputy Secretary-General for IT and Telecom, Estonian Ministry of Economic Affairs



Siim Sikkut is the Government CIO of Estonia, also titled as Deputy Secretary General for IT and Telecom, in charge of digital government and society, also telecommunications and post areas. His role is to set the strategy and policies, to launch and steer strategic development initiatives and regulation, to represent the government in EU and other international organisations or collaboration in his domain.

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### **JEFF BULLWINKEL**



Associate General Counsel and Director of Corporate, External & Legal Affairs, Microsoft Europe

Mr. Bullwinkel is based in Amsterdam and oversees the company's legal and corporate affairs teams across the region, providing support for commercial transactions and regulatory counsel on

public policy issues such as IPR, cybersecurity, competition, and international trade. Mr. Bullwinkel joined Microsoft in 2000 and previously held a number of senior roles with the company across the Asia Pacific region, based in Hong Kong, Singapore and Sydney. Prior to joining Microsoft, Mr. Bullwinkel was with Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, an international law firm based in New York. Mr. Bullwinkel also served as a federal prosecutor with the Office of International Affairs, Criminal Division, US Department of Justice, where he was responsible for a wide range of matters relating to international law. Mr. Bullwinkel is originally from the New York area. He graduated from Duke University with a Bachelor of Arts degree and received his law degree from New York University. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

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Event Moderator:

**MEGAN RILEY**  
MLR Strategies



Megan Riley is an accomplished tech leader with an established record of developing high-functioning organizations. Megan joined Microsoft in the late 90s and spent the next nearly 20 years in various Management and Director of Engineering roles, managing groups over multiple countries while based out of Seattle and Paris. It was here she discovered her passion for leading people, creating healthy organizations, and growing talent. Her advocacy work on behalf of the particular challenges faced by women in the technology industry led her to move into Strategy and Coaching, and in 2015 she left the corporate world to start her own company, MLR Strategies.

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Panel Moderator:

**MATS VOLBERG**  
LEXTAL law firm



Mats Volberg is a lawyer at LEXTAL Law Firm and a Research Fellow of Practical Philosophy at University of Tartu. He holds a PhD in philosophy from University of York and is currently working on a MA degree in law from University of Tartu. Mats' interests in law and philosophy cover various issues related to AI, its status and application. He has written multiple op-eds on the subject, most recently concerning the use of AI in administrative procedure by the state.

## **OLEG SHVAIKOVSKY**

Executive Vice-President, NORTAL



Oleg Shvaikovsky, Executive Vice President at Nortal, has a solid background in leading projects that really create meaningful impact. At Nortal, his team is providing e-commerce solutions for one of the biggest U.S. telecoms that has more than 70 million end-users. He is also passionate about finding and fixing leaks in organizations' revenue funnel to help companies grow. In 2017 he moved to Seattle to boost Nortal's business in the region. Just a few months ago, Oleg returned to Estonia. Nortal is a multinational strategic change and technology company headquartered in Tallinn, Estonia, with operations in Europe, the

Middle East and Africa. Nortal provides public sector and private sector clients data-driven business transformation. Just a few weeks ago, Nortal has been awarded the Exporter of the Year title at the Estonian Business Awards.

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## **MART NOORMA**

Science and Development Director, Milrem Robotics



Mart is the Science and Development Director at Milrem Robotics, Space and Defense Technology Professor at the University of Tartu. Mart Noorma is known as the initiator and supervisor of the Estonian student satellite program and as a judge of the TV show "Rakett 69", which popularizes science. From 2008 he was the Vice-Dean of Studies at the Faculty of Nature and Technology of the University of Tartu and from 2015 to 2017 the Vice-Rector for Studies of the University of Tartu. He has won the Wikipedia Friend 2017 award as one of the initiators of the "Million + " project. Currently, he is working also with Milrem Robotics, which provides innovative robotics solutions for challenging

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## **VLAD EMINOVICI**

Director of Engineering, Clarifai



Vlad Eminovici is the Director of Engineering at Clarifai, an independent deep learning AI company. He graduated from University of Bucharest with a BA in Mathematics and Computer Science. He then joined Microsoft, where he spent 20 years in different engineering roles in teams such as Windows, Bing, Cortana, and Skype, and notably was the engineering manager for the Microsoft Development Centers in Switzerland and Estonia. In 2020, he joined Clarifai and immediately began building up a development office in Tallinn. He currently leads an engineering team spread across multiple locations in Estonia and the US, that focuses on building an enterprise-level platform for the entire AI lifecycle.