

## Public Policy Committee

**Committee Chair: Nele Normak, Coca-Cola Baltics**

**Committee Vice-Chair: Andreas Kaju, META Advisory**

- **On January 18**, the Public Policy Committee Meeting was held at the META Advisory Group office. Discussions centered around pre-election topics for the upcoming debate. The decision was made to use the consolidation letter by Andreas Kaju as a draft, which can be edited and updated as necessary. ([AmCham Public Policy Committee Meeting 2023/1 – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))
- **On February 1**, The American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia hosted a **Pre-Election Debate** at the Nordic Hotel Forum. Representatives from the six leading parties, out of the nine participating in the March 5 parliamentary elections, participated in the debate. ERR live-streamed the event, and additional information can be found in the link here: [AmCham Pre-Election Debate 2023 – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#)
- **On April 18**, AmCham members joined the online meeting and briefing with Andreas Kaju from META Advisory and moderated by Nele Normak, Chair of AmCham Public Policy Committee (Coca-Cola Baltics). ([AmCham Public Policy Briefing: New Government & Coalition Treaty – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))
- **On December 18**, AmCham will publish its business magazine called **VISION** with featured topics of the year. One of the articles is devoted to the changes in ESTONIAN TAXATION and has been written by the committee member- Ranno Tingas, EY

## Digital Society Committee

**Committee Chair – Edgars Milgravis**

- **On January 19, 2023**, we convened the first Digital Society Committee meeting of the year. During this session, there was an agreement to update the Digital Position Paper, and Edgars Milgravis was elected as the new Committee Chair. ([AmCham Digital Society Committee Elects Edgars Milgravis as the New Chair – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))

- Recognizing the upcoming elections on March 5 and the subsequent formation of a new government in early April, the decision was made to update the paper and present it to the newly formed government. This approach allows us to compile all edits and produce a new policy paper by April for presentation to the incoming government. ([AmCham Digital Society Committee Meeting 2023/1 – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))
- **On May 24**, AmCham Digital Society Committee (DSC) released their new position paper on Digital Resilience (<https://amcham.ee/amcham-digital-society-committee-presents-its-position-paper-on-digital-resilience/>)
- **On September 13**, another Digital Committee meeting was held. Edgars Milgravis, the Committee Chair, suggested updating the Committee Position paper before meeting with Minister Tiit Riisalo. For the upcoming events in the next season, he recommended the NIS2 topic, which will come into force within one year.
- **On October 3**, AmCham Digital Society Committee had an online **Meeting with The Minister of Economic Affairs and Information Technology Tiit Riisalo** (<https://amcham.ee/amcham-digital-society-committee-meeting-with-minister-of-economic-affairs-and-information-technology-tiit-riisalo/>)
- **On November 20**, AmCham Estonia Digital Society (DS) Committee presented their newly published policy paper on Digital Resilience to Minister of Economic Affairs and IT Tiit Riisalo ([AmCham Digital Society Committee Presents Its New Position Paper on Digital Resilience – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))
- **On December 4**, the letter from the AmCham Digital Society Committee regarding EUCS and some of the concerns raised by committee members was sent to Minister of Economic Affairs and IT Technology, Tiit Riisalo.

## Talent Attraction, Retention, and Education Committee

### Committee Chair – Megan Riley

- **On February 1**, The American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia hosted its **Pre-Election Debate** at the Nordic Hotel Forum. Representatives from the six leading parties, out of the nine participating in the March 5 parliamentary elections, participated in the debate. The topics of Education, talent attraction, migration were raised at the event by the committee members. ERR live-streamed the event, and additional information can be found here: [AmCham Pre-Election Debate 2023 – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#)

- **On September 15, 2023** the Talent Attraction, Retention, and Education Committee held its meeting. During the session, participants discussed a range of topics, including education, concerns related to English-speaking talent, and Martin Lään expressed his intention to step down from his role as the committee chair. All meeting attendees agreed to organize a luncheon event with Minister of Education Kristina Kallas, inviting AmCham members and conducting a Q&A session afterward. Additionally, a follow-up with a scheduled position paper was planned, and exploration will be done to determine if any guidance can be offered. The appointment of the new Committee Chair was made, and Megan Riley was elected to fill the position.
- **On November 15, 2023 Speaker Luncheon with Minister of Education Kristina Kallas** was held. ([NOVEMBER 15: AmCham Speaker Luncheon with Minister Kallas – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))

## Healthcare Committee

### Committee Chair - Elo Tamm

- **On May 25**, the first meeting with policymakers, the AmCham Healthcare Round-Table on Vaccine Confidence, took place. ([AmCham HC Round-Table with Policy-Makers: VACCINATION – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))
- **On September 14**, another AmCham Committee meeting was held. Elo Tamm delivered welcoming remarks, and Hanno Püttsepp provided an introduction to the upcoming Annual Healthcare conference on October 11th at the Hilton Tallinn Hotel for the other members. Also on the agenda is a discussion of the next steps for the entire Healthcare committee.
- **On October 11**, the AmCham Healthcare Committee held its Annual Healthcare Conference. The conference focused on Prioritizing Healthcare, Financing, and Their Impact on Estonia's Economy and Prosperity. ([OCTOBER 11: Annual Healthcare Conference 2023 – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia \(amcham.ee\)](#))
- **On October 31**, the second Round-Table meeting with the policymakers took place, and the following items were decided for the next meeting in 2024:
  - The next session is planned to involve sharing experiences and engaging external experts (Danish experience).
  - Irina Filippova, Hanna Jäe, and Andres Mürsepp expressed readiness to suggest potential external speakers for the next meeting.

- If there are any topics related to intensifying efforts to address gaps and surpluses in vaccine distribution and involving or obtaining support from the private sector, they will be discussed. ([OCT 31: AmCham Vaccination Round-Table #2 – American Chamber of Commerce in Estonia](#))

## Sustainability and ESG Committee

In **September 2022**, AmCham Estonia has launched a special working group that will be driving and coordination the chamber's activities and projects when it comes to Sustainability, Green Transition and ESG.

AmCham Sustainability Working Group Members:

1. Mervet Kägu, COBALT law firm
  2. Darja Saar, Coca-Cola HBC Eesti
  3. Marilin Saluveer, KPMG Baltics
  4. Daria Sivovol, AmCham Estonia
  5. Cairit Eit, Meta Advisory
- **On March 22**, the AmCham Sustainability & ESG Working Group, led by Darja Saar, Mervet Kägu, and Daria Sivovol, organized the **Sustainability Power Breakfast** at the Konrad Restaurant, Palace Hotel Tallinn. The event, focusing on "Environmental Footprint," was co-hosted by AmCham Estonia, Cobalt, and Coca-Cola HBC, bringing together AmCham members and partners. Event can be reviewed here: <https://amcham.ee/events/amcham-morning-workshop-environmental-footprint/>
  - **On September 12**, the ESG & Sustainability Working Group Meeting took place.
  - **On December 18**, AmCham will publish its business magazine called **VISION** with featured topics of the year. One of the articles is devoted to ESG and has been written by Mervet Kägu from COBALT