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Father Paolo Benanti

Invitation to Ülemiste City Future Forum

Dear Father Paolo Benanti,

Having followed some of your video interviews, we would be honored to invite you to speak at the **Ülemiste City Future Forum 2027** in Tallinn, Estonia on **April 7, 2027**. We would love to hear your perspective on human-centric AI and its impact on people, organizations, and society. We would be glad if you joined a fireside chat, moderated by one of our senior AI policy makers or leading thinkers who would interview you.

Estonia adopted IT solutions on the state level already in the 1990s and is now the world's first digital society, where most of everyday business is conducted online. Naturally, we are curious about the advancements offered by AI. However, the issues of implementing AI tools are much more complex and bring several ethical issues which were thoughtfully addressed by His Holiness Pope Leo XIV in his encyclical letter Magnifica Humanitas.

Estonian society easily and quickly embraces technological changes. It would be interesting for us to hear your views on how to put AI and human relations in a different perspective and get our government and businesses to think about the ramifications of AI before adopting it fully. Given your interest in technology and digital transformation, we believe you would find Estonia's experience particularly interesting. We would be pleased to arrange meetings with leaders responsible for e-Estonia and digital governance, offering an opportunity to exchange ideas. We would also offer accommodation and travel reimbursement as well as cover any other expenses.

Ülemiste City Future Forum 2027 is a two-day conference held every other year. It brings together approximately 400 leaders, entrepreneurs, and top industry professionals from Estonia and abroad. The objective of the 2027 conference is to explore together the next generation of business: to showcase best practices in business transformation and how to approach the challenges of world politics, climate change, and AI.

A discussion on the human dimension of technological progress would be invaluable for our audience. Your perspective would complement the business and technology leaders by bringing an ethical and human-centered approach and discussing how to use technology for human good.

We would be delighted to welcome you to Estonia for the Ülemiste City Future Forum.

Yours sincerely,



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