

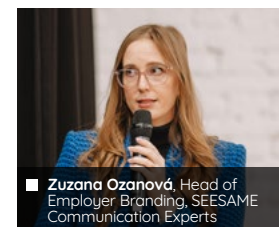
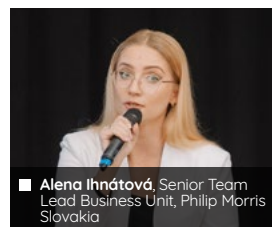
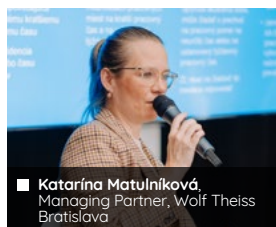
FUTURE EMPLOYER

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How can companies stay competitive while meeting the expectations of tomorrow's workforce? This was the key question at our "Future Employer" business breakfast held on January 21 in Košice.

Building on insights from last year's Festival of Future, we delved into critical questions about the future of work and how employers can adapt to meet the evolving needs of the next generation. How can companies remain flexible and responsive to change while continuing to thrive?

Our expert panelists provided valuable analysis of Gen Z employee expectations, highlighting key trends shaping the future workplace and their impact on an employer's ability to attract and retain top talent. Flexibility emerged as the most vital asset, though what it means in practice is still evolving. As the panelists emphasized, there is no one-size-fits-all solution. The challenge is to strike a balance between employee needs and organizational capacity, all while staying aligned with legal requirements, resources, and core values.



DAWN OF THE NEW SPACE AGE IN SLOVAKIA

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The first business breakfast of 2025 explored the exciting potential of Slovakia's newly introduced Slovak Space Act, which took effect on February 1. With this legislation, Slovakia joins an exclusive group of 40 countries with its own space law, opening the door to new business opportunities in one of the world's fastest-growing industries—an industry valued at \$1 trillion globally.

Michal Brichta, Director of the Slovak Space Office – Industry Branch, shed light on the diverse business prospects within the space sector, from data and signal processing to emerging areas like space hardware, earth

observation, and space safety. He emphasized the growing momentum for both public and private funding in space projects, driven by rising interest from businesses. In fact, the number of Slovak companies engaged in the space economy has tripled since 2019—from 20 to nearly 60 today.

This rapidly expanding sector presents exciting opportunities for Slovak businesses. By embracing collaboration in the space industry, companies can fuel innovation, boost competitiveness, and unlock global opportunities.

