

36th Session of the Baltic Assembly and 23rd Baltic Council
9 – 10 November 2017, Tallinn
Riigikogu of the Republic of Estonia

Programme

Thursday, 9 November

- 16:30 – 18:00 **Meeting of the Presidium, Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Committees of the Baltic Assembly** (*acting as the Drafting Committee*)
- 19:00 **Baltic Assembly Prize and Baltic Innovation Prize Awarding Ceremony**

Friday, 10 November

Registration
Lobby of the Riigikogu

- 09:00 – 10:00 **Meeting of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly and the Speakers of the national parliaments**

10:15 – 11:00 Opening of the 36th Session of the Baltic Assembly

Chaired by:

- **Prof Aadu Must**, *President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **Mr Valerijus Simulik**, *Vice President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **Prof Jānis Vucāns**, *Vice President of the Baltic Assembly*

- 10:15 – 10:45
- **H.E. Mr Eiki Nestor**, *President of the Riigikogu of the Republic of Estonia*
 - **H.E. Prof Viktoras Pranckietis**, *Speaker of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania*
 - **H.E. Ms Ināra Mūrniece**, *Speaker of the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia*

10:45 Award ceremony of the Medals of the Baltic Assembly

11:00 – 13:00 The 23rd Baltic Council

Riigikogu

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- **Prof Aadu Must**, *President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **H.E. Mr Sven Mikser**, *Chair of the Cooperation Council of the Baltic Council of Ministers, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia*

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- **H.E. Mr Sven Mikser**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia
- **H.E. Mr Linas Linkevičius**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania
- **H.E. Mr Edgars Rinkēvičs**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia

Discussion

12:50 – 12:55 **Signing of the Joint Statement**

13:00 – 13:30 **Press conference**

13:00 – 14:00 Coffee break

14:00 – 17:45 **Continuation of the 36th Session of the Baltic Assembly**

14:00 – 14:40

Securing external borders of the European Union

Chaired by:

- **Prof Jānis Vucāns**, Vice President of the Baltic Assembly
- **Mr Andrius Kubilius**, Vice Chair of the Legal Affairs and Security Committee of the Baltic Assembly, Deputy Chair of the Committee on the European Affairs of the Seimas

- **Ms Evika Silīņa**, Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Latvia

Discussion

14:40 – 15:20

Synchronisation of the Baltic electricity networks with the European Networks

Chaired by:

- **Mr Valerijus Simulik**, Vice President of the Baltic Assembly
- **Mr Sven Sester**, Chair of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee of the Baltic Assembly, Chair of the Economic Affairs Committee of Riigikogu

- **Mr Simonas Šatūnas**, Vice-Minister, Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Lithuania

Discussion

15:20 – 16:00

Baltic Alliance of Apprenticeship and Work Based Learning (BAfA)

Chaired by:

- **Prof Jānis Vucāns**, Vice President of the Baltic Assembly
- **Ms Krista Aru**, Chair of the Education, Science and Culture Committee of the Baltic Assembly, Chair of the Cultural Committee of the Riigikogu

- **Ms Karin Ruul**, Chief Expert of the Vocational Education Department of the Ministry of Education and Research of the Republic of Estonia

Discussion

16:00 – 16:40

Health care and efficient use of resources allocated for the healthcare – accessibility, timeliness and quality

Chaired by:

- **Prof Aadu Must**, *President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **Ms Helmen Kütt**, *Chair of the Welfare Committee of the Baltic Assembly, Chair of the Social Affairs Committee of Riigikogu*

- **Ms Kaija Kasekamp**, *Adviser of the Health System Development Department of the Ministry of Social Affairs of the Republic of Estonia*

Discussion

16:40

Coffee break

17:00 – 17:45

Continuation of the 36th Session of the Baltic Assembly

17:00 – 17:15

Remarks by foreign delegations and guests

17:15 – 17:45

Report of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly about the implementation of the Estonian presidency programme and introduction to the Resolution and Final Document of the 36th Session of the Baltic Assembly

- **Prof Aadu Must**, *President of the Baltic Assembly*

Report of the Budget and Audit Committee of the Baltic Assembly

- **Mr Erki Savisaar**, *Chair of the Budget and Audit Committee*

Adoption of the Resolution and Final Document of the 36th Session of the Baltic Assembly

Address by the newly elected President of the Baltic Assembly

17:45

Signing of the Final Document of the 36th Session of the Baltic Assembly