



**Joint meeting of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee & the
Natural Resources and Environment Committee
of the Baltic Assembly**
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Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania

PROGRAMME

Friday, 27 September	
09:00–10:30	<p>Joint photo of all participants</p> <p>Development of renewable energy projects: policy context and state of play</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- National approaches towards renewable energy projects- Regional policies: joint projects of the Baltic States- Public-private partnership in regard to low-carbon economy and long-term policies- EU policies in support to energy efficiency investments and mobilisation of financial sector on energy efficiency <p><i>Chaired by the Chairpersons of the Natural Resources and Environment Committee</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Rytis Kėvelaitis, Vice-Minister of Energy, Lithuania- Ms Andžela Pētersone, Deputy Director of Sustainable Energy Policy Department, Ministry of Economics, Latvia- Mr Kristo Kaasik, Project Manager, Energy Department, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications, Estonia <p>EU policies in support to energy efficiency investments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Representative from the DG Energy, European Commission <p>Debates Conclusions for the BA recommendations</p>
10:30–11:45	<p>Cooperation on Artificial Intelligence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Legislative framework of the Baltic States: obstacles and solutions- Artificial Intelligence and the Digital Single Market- Ethical and transparent guidelines, standards, principles and values for use of the artificial intelligence <p><i>Chaired by the Chairpersons of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Gintaras Vilda, Vice-Minister of Economy and Innovation, Lithuania- Latvian view- Ms Kadi Avingo, Counsellor for Telecommunications and Digital Affairs, European Union and International Co-operation Department, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications, Estonia

	<p>EU policies in development of Artificial Intelligence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Juha Heikkilä, Head of the Robotics and Artificial Intelligence Unit, European Commission, <i>tbc</i> <p>Debates Conclusions for the BA recommendations</p>
11:45–12:00	Pause
12:00–13:00	<p>Governmental reports about the implementation of the recommendations of the Baltic Assembly: joint measures of the Baltic States in 2018 - 2019</p> <p>12:00 – 12:20 Recommendations in regard to the digital market:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to coordinate joint measures to support digital infrastructure and apply modern technologies across different sectors as well as spread the practice of secure electronic signing, usage of e-signature and digital document exchange among the Baltic States - to establish a Joint Digital Hub for promoting and harmonizing digital initiatives in order to foster and further digital solutions - to start cooperation in regard to building of common innovation and industrial system of the Baltic States <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Gintaras Vilda, Vice-Minister of Economy and Innovation, Lithuania <p>12:20 – 12:40 Recommendations in regard to transport and infrastructure development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to continue small and medium scale road infrastructure projects, develop cross-border infrastructure projects by using the EU cross-border cooperation program INTERREG - to intensify negotiations about future transport and infrastructure projects in the Baltic States, including maritime and aviation sector, intelligent transport systems and modern traffic information systems - taking into account budgetary limitations by each state, to prioritize the development of the road network and agree on the Joint Action Plan for Development of road network in the Region - to introduce a unified tolling system in the Baltic States - to rebuild infrastructure in border regions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mr Vladislav Kondratovič, Vice-Minister of Transport and Communications, Lithuania <p>Debates Conclusions for the BA recommendations</p>
12:45 – 13:15	Internal meeting for the members of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee & the Natural Resources Environment Committee of the Baltic Assembly

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