



Conference of the Baltic Assembly
HEALTH AS AN INVESTMENT IN BALTIC SECURITY AND FUTURE
 12 December 2025, Riga (Latvia)

Friday, 12 December	
09:30	Opening <i>Chaired by Ms Antoņina Nenaševa, Chair of the Health, Welfare and Family Committee of the Baltic Assembly</i> — H.E. Ms Daiga Mieriņa , Speaker of the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia — Mr Jānis Vucāns , President of the Baltic Assembly
10:00	Keynote presentation “The impact of healthcare on demographics and national security in the Baltic States” — Dr Malina Müller , Head of Health Economics of the WifOR Institute
10:30	<i>Moderator: Elina Vroblevska, Lecturer at the Faculty of Social Sciences, Rīga Stradiņš University</i> Panel 1 – Social and economic value of health The panel discussion aims to answer the following questions: 1) How does the burden of disease affect the economy and employment in the Baltic States? 2) How to calculate the public value of healthcare? 3) How to integrate public value into policy decisions? The discussion will also feature health as a security factor from an international perspective (the NATO and EU approach to health security). Panel discussion — Ms Antoņina Nenaševa , Chair of the Health, Welfare and Family Committee of the Baltic Assembly — Ms Irja Lutsar , Vice Chair of the Health, Welfare and Family Committee of the Baltic Assembly — Ms Karina Palkova , Ombudsperson, Latvia — Dr Malina Müller , Head of Health Economics at the WifOR — Mr Karl-Henrik Peterson , Interim CEO of the Estonian Health Insurance Fund — Mr Oļegs Krasnopjorovs , Chief Economist at the Bank of Latvia Discussion with the audience
12:20	<i>Moderator: Elina Vroblevska, lecturer at the Faculty of Social Sciences, Rīga Stradiņš University</i> Panel 2 – Path to socially responsible health policy The panel discussion aims to answer the following questions: 1) How to turn data into policy instruments? 2) How to strengthen Baltic cooperation and data governance? 3) How to integrate public value approaches into budget and pricing decisions? 4) What hinders

	<p>the introduction of innovative approaches in policy? What approaches work in the Baltic States (e.g. financing mechanisms)? The discussion will also feature a debate on demographics, maternal and youth health as a strategic investment in national security.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Mr Hosams Abu Meri, Minister of Health, Latvia — Ms Karmen Joller, Minister of Social Affairs, Estonia — Ms Marija Jakubauskienė, Minister of Health, Lithuania — Ms Maija Āboliņa, Council Member of the State Audit Office, Latvia — Mr Juris Beikmanis, Chairman of the Board of the Latvian Alliance for Rare Diseases <p>Discussion with the audience</p>
13:40	<p>Summary and roadmap</p> <p><i>Summary by the moderator of the conference Elīna Vroblevska, and political roadmap by Ms Antonina Nenaševa, Chair of the Health, Welfare and Family Committee of the Baltic Assembly</i></p>
14:00	<p>Awarding of the BA medal</p> <p><i>Jēkaba 6/8, 1st floor, Hall of the Baltic Way</i></p>