



**42nd Session of the Baltic Assembly
29th Baltic Council**

*23-24 November 2023, Tallinn (Estonia)
Riigikogu of the Republic of Estonia*

**Preliminary PROGRAMME
(21/11/2023)**

Thursday, 23 November

19:00 **Baltic Assembly Prizes and Medals Award Ceremony followed by the reception**
*Concert and Theatre Hall of the Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre
Tatari 13, Tallinn*

Friday, 24 November

9:00–09:45 **Meeting of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly and the Speakers of the national parliaments of Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia**

10:00–11:00 **Opening of the 42nd Session of the Baltic Assembly**

Chaired by:

- *Mr Timo Suslov, President of the Baltic Assembly, Estonia*
- *Mr Andrius Kupčinskis, Vice President of the Baltic Assembly, Lithuania*
- *Prof. Jānis Vucāns, Vice President of the Baltic Assembly, Latvia*

- **H.E. Mr Lauri Hussar**, President of the Riigikogu of the Republic of Estonia
- **H.E. Ms Viktorija Čmilytė-Nielsen**, Speaker of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania
- **Ms Antoņina Ņenaševa**, Deputy Speaker of the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia

Report on the implementation of the Estonian Presidency programme

- **Mr Timo Suslov**, President of the Baltic Assembly, Estonia

11:00–12:50 **The 29th Baltic Council**

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- *H.E. Mr Margus Tsahkna, Chair of the Cooperation Council of the Baltic Council of Ministers, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia, TBC*

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- **H.E. Mr Margus Tsahkna**, Chair of the Cooperation Council of the Baltic Council of Ministers, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia
- **H.E. Mr Gabrielius Landsbergis**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania
- **H.E. Mr Krišjānis Kariņš**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia

Questions and answers. Debate

12:50–12:55 **Signing of the Joint Statement of the 29th Baltic Council**

13:00–13:30 **Press conference**

14:00–16:00 **Continuation of the 42nd Session of the Baltic Assembly**

14:00–15:00 **Economic impact of the Russian invasion of Ukraine: Baltic States joining forces towards a region more resilient to economic and energy market pressures**

Chaired by:

- **Mr Priit Lomp**, *Chair of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee, Estonia*
- **Mr Kęstutis Masiulis**, *Vice Chair of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee, Lithuania*
- **Mr Andris Kulbergs**, *Vice Chair of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee, Latvia*

- **Mr Rein Vaks**, Head of Energy Department, Ministry of Climate, Estonia
- **Mr Joonas Pärenson**, Head of Strategy Department, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications, Estonia
- **Mr Titas Budreika**, Head of Public Policy Decisions and Data Analytics, Ministry of Economy and Innovation, Lithuania
- **Ms Dace Zīle**, Head of Analytical Service, Ministry of Economics, Latvia

Questions and answers. Debate

15:00–16:00 **Effective and coherent regional civil defence through close consultations and coordination of the Baltic States**

Chaired by:

- **Mr Peeter Tali**, *Chair of the Security and Defence Committee, Estonia*
- **Mr Audrius Petrošius**, *Vice Chair of the Security and Defence Committee, Lithuania*
- **Mr Ūģis Rotbergs**, *Vice Chair of the Security and Defence Committee, Latvia*

- **Mr Margo Klaos**, Director-General of the Estonian Rescue Board

- **Mr Saulius Greičius**, Director of the Fire and Rescue Department under the Ministry of the Interior, Lithuania
- **Mr Ivars Nakurts**, Deputy Chief of the State Fire and Rescue Service under the Ministry of the Interior, Latvia

Questions and answers. Debate

16:00

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Addresses by the foreign delegations and guests

Introduction to the Resolution and Final Document of the 42nd Session

- **Mr Timo Suslov**, President of the Baltic Assembly

Report of the Budget and Audit Committee of the Baltic Assembly

- **Mr Priit Lomp**, Chair of the BA Budget and Audit Committee

Adoption of the Resolution and the Final Document of the 42nd Session

Election of the President and Vice Presidents of the Baltic Assembly and the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Committees for 2024

Address by the newly elected President of the Baltic Assembly

Signing of the Final Document of the 42nd Session

17:00

Closing of the 42nd Session

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