



## 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the Baltic Assembly and 21<sup>st</sup> Baltic Council

19–20 November 2015  
Vilnius, Lithuania

### PROGRAMME

#### Thursday, 19 November

16:00–17:00      **Registration** (*for members of the BA only*)  
*Stained Glass Gallery, Building 1 of the Seimas*  
*Gedimino pr. 53, Vilnius*

#### 17:30–18:30      **Internal meetings of the Presidium and Committees of the Baltic Assembly**

- **Meeting of the Presidium**  
*Hall of the Baltic Assembly (Building 3)*
- **Meeting of the Education, Science and Culture Committee**  
*Aleksandras Stulginskis Hall (Building 1)*
- **Meeting of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee**  
*Constitution Hall (Building 1)*
- **Meeting of the Legal Affairs and Security Committee**  
*Presidential Hall (Building 1)*
- **Meeting of the Natural Resources and Environment Committee**  
*Council of Lithuania Hall (Building 1)*
- **Meeting of the Welfare Committee**  
*Algirdas Mykolas Brazauskas Hall (Building 1)*

18:30–19:15      **Meeting of the Budget and Audit Committee**  
*Algirdas Mykolas Brazauskas Hall (Building 1)*

20:00              **Baltic Assembly Prize Award Ceremony**

## Friday, 20 November

Arrival of participants to the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania  
*Gedimino pr. 53, Vilnius (Building 2)*

08:00–16:30      **Registration**  
*Lobby, Building 2 of the Seimas*

08:00–09:30      **Meeting between the Presidium and chairs and vice chairs of the committees (acting as the Drafting Committee)**  
*Constitution Hall (Building 1)*

09:45              **Family photo**  
*Plenary Chamber (Building 2)*

10:00–10:30      **Opening of the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the Baltic Assembly**  
*Plenary Chamber (Building 2)*  
*Chaired by:*

- *Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė, President of the Baltic Assembly*
- *Dr Jānis Vucāns, Vice President of the Baltic Assembly*
- *Dr Aadu Must, Member of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly*

## National anthems of the Baltic States

## Speeches by the Speakers of Parliaments of the Baltic States:

- **H.E. Ms Loreta Graužinienė**, Speaker of the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania
- **H.E. Ms Ināra Mūrniece**, Speaker of the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia
- **H.E. Mr Eiki Nestor**, President of the Riigikogu of the Republic of Estonia

10:30–11:40      **21<sup>st</sup> Baltic Council**  
*Plenary Chamber (Building 2)*  
*Chaired by:*

- *Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė, President of the Baltic Assembly*
- *H.E. Mr Linas Linkevičius, Chair of the Cooperation Council of the Baltic Council of Ministers, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania*

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- **H.E. Mr Edgars Rinkēvičs**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia
- **H.E. Ms Marina Kaljurand**, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Estonia

#### Questions and answers. Debate

11:45 **Signing of the Joint Statement of the 21<sup>st</sup> Baltic Council**  
*Plenary Chamber (Building 2)*

12:00–12:50 **Press conference**  
*Press Conference Hall (Building 2)*

13:00–14:00 **Lunch**

14:00–18:30 **Continuation of the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the Baltic Assembly**

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#### Session 1

**Development of joint transport and infrastructure projects in the region:  
*RailBaltica/RailBaltic and ViaBaltica projects***

*Chaired by:*

- **Mr Rytas Kupčinskas**, Member of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly, Vice Chair of the Lithuanian Delegation to the Baltic Assembly
- **Dr Romualds Ražuks**, Member of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly, Vice Chair of the Latvian Delegation to the Baltic Assembly
- **Mr Toomas Kivimägi**, Vice Chair of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee, Member of the Estonian delegation to the Baltic Assembly

- **Mr Rimantas Sinkevičius**, Minister of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Lithuania

#### Questions and answers. Debate

14:30–15:00

#### Session 2

**Cooperation of the Baltic States in cybersecurity and cyber defence**

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- **Mr Toomas Kivimägi**, Vice Chair of the Economics, Energy and Innovation Committee, Member of the Estonian delegation to the Baltic Assembly

- **Ms Karoliina Ainge**, Head of Estonian Cyber Security Policy, Department of State Information Systems, Ministry of Economic

Affairs and Communications of the Republic of Estonia

- **Mr Vytautas Butrimas**, Sr. Adviser, Cybersecurity and IT Department, Ministry of National Defence of the Republic of Lithuania

15:00–16:00

#### Questions and answers. Debate

##### Session 3

##### **Implementation of the Partnership Agreement on Joint Procurements of Medicinal Products and Medical Devices and Lending of Medicinal Products and Medical Devices Procurable Centrally and other joint health care projects**

*Chaired by:*

- **Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė**, *President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **Dr Jānis Vucāns**, *Vice President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **Dr Aadu Must**, *Member of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly*

- **Mr Valentin Gavrilov**, Vice Minister of Health of the Republic of Lithuania
- **Ms Egita Pole**, Deputy Secretary of State, Ministry of Health of the Republic of Latvia

#### Questions and answers. Debate

16:00–16:30

#### Coffee break

16:30–17:30

##### Session 4

##### **Internal security of the European Union: coherence between the internal and external dimensions to protect our societies**

*Chaired by:*

- **Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė**, *President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **Dr Jānis Vucāns**, *Vice President of the Baltic Assembly*
- **Dr Aadu Must**, *Member of the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly*

- **Mr Artūras Norkevičius**, Vice Minister of the Interior of the Republic of Lithuania
- **Ms Evika Siliņa**, Parliamentary Secretary of State, Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Latvia
- **Mr Väino Linde**, Senior Adviser to the Minister of the Interior of the Republic of Estonia

#### Questions and answers. Debate

17:30

#### Continuation of the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the Baltic Assembly

#### Addresses by foreign delegations and guests

- **Ms Ólína Kjerúlf Þorvarðardóttir**, Vice President of the Nordic Council
- **Mr Jef Van den Bergh**, Chairman of the Belgian delegation of the Benelux Parliament
- **Mr Anatoliy Matviyenko**, Chairman of the GUAM Parliamentary Assembly, Head of the Ukrainian delegation to the GUAM PA

- **Mr Zurab Abashidze**, Head of the Georgian delegation to the GUAM PA

**Report of the Presidium**

- **Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė**, President of the Baltic Assembly

**Questions and answers. Debate**

**Report of the Budget and Audit Committee**

- **Ms Irena Degutienė**, Chair of the Budget and Audit Committee

**Questions and answers. Debate**

**Adoption of the Final Document of the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the Baltic Assembly**

**Election of the President and Vice Presidents of the Baltic Assembly for 2016**

**Election of the chairs and vice chairs of the committees**

**Address by the newly elected President of the Baltic Assembly**

**Signing of the Final Document of the 34<sup>th</sup> Session of the Baltic Assembly**  
*Plenary Chamber (Building 2)*

20:00

**Dinner hosted by the Presidium of the Baltic Assembly**