



**ANNUAL SUMMIT  
OF THE BALTIC ASSEMBLY AND THE NORDIC COUNCIL**  
*7 December 2015, Vilnius, Lithuania*

**PROGRAMME**

12:30	Arrival of participants at the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania, Gedimino Ave. 53 <i>(entry only with ID cards)</i>  <i>Constitution Hall, Building 1</i>
	Coffee and family photo before the meeting
13:00 – 14:30	<b>Annual Summit between the Presidiums of the Baltic Assembly and the Nordic Council</b> <i>Languages: Lithuanian, English</i>
13:00 – 13:10	<b>Opening of the Summit:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė</b>, President of the Baltic Assembly, Lithuania</li><li>- <b>Mr Höskuldur Þórhallsson</b>, President of the Nordic Council, Iceland</li></ul>
13:10 – 14:10	<b>Discussions about the cooperation between the Baltic Assembly and the Nordic Council:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Evaluation of the Cooperation in 2014–2015</li><li>- Action Plan for Cooperation in 2016–2017</li></ul> Debates
14:10 – 14:20	<b>Conclusions by:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė</b>, President of the Baltic Assembly, Lithuania</li><li>- <b>Mr Höskuldur Þórhallsson</b>, President of the Nordic Council, Iceland</li></ul>

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14:15	Arrival of participants at the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania, Gedimino Ave. 53 <i>(entry only with ID cards)</i>  <i>Constitution Hall, Building 1</i>
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<b>14:30 – 18:00</b>	<b>Seminar on Belarus and the Eastern Partnership after the election in Belarus</b> <i>Languages: Lithuanian, English, Russian, Italian, Polish</i>
14:30 – 16:00	<b>Welcome addresses:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Dr Giedrė Purvaneckienė</b>, President of the Baltic Assembly, Lithuania</li><li>- <b>Mr Höskuldur Þórhallsson</b>, President of the Nordic Council, Iceland</li></ul> <b>Speeches:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Mr Andrea Rigoni</b>, Belarus rapporteur of the Political Affairs Committee, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)</li><li>- <b>Mr Bogdan Andrzej Zdrojewski</b>, Chair of the Delegation for relations with Belarus, European Parliament (EU)</li><li>- <b>Mr Jānis Vucāns</b>, President of the Baltic Sea Parliamentary Conference (BSPC)</li><li>- Senator <b>Bogdan Klich</b>, Minority leader in the Senate, former Chair of the EU Delegation for relations with Belarus, Poland</li></ul> Discussion
16:00 – 16:20	Coffee break
16:20 – 17:50	<b>Introduction:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Mr Bo Harald Tillberg</b>, Director of the Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Vilnius</li></ul> <b>Speeches:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Mr Kent Hårstedt</b>, Vice President of the Organization for Security and</li></ul>

	<p>Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Parliamentary Assembly and Special Coordinator of the OSCE's short-term observers for the presidential election in Belarus 2015, Sweden</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Ms Tatsiana Korotkevich</b>, <i>Tell the Truth (Govori Pravdu)</i> candidate in the recent presidential election in Belarus</li> </ul> <p>Short <i>tour de table</i> with representatives of NGOs and opposition parties from Belarus</p> <p>Discussion</p>
17:50 18:00	<p><b>Conclusions by:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Mr Höskuldur Þórhallsson</b>, President of the Nordic Council, Iceland</li> </ul>