

XIV Baltic Conference on Intellectual Cooperation 20-21 April, 2015, Riga -Jelgava

Programme

Monday, April 20, 2015

- 13.30 Registration of participants, welcome coffee
Latvian Academy of Sciences; Akadēmijas laukums 1, Portrait hall (3rd floor)
- 14.00 **Opening of the XIV Baltic Conference on Intellectual Cooperation**
Ojārs SPĀRĪTIS, President, Latvian Academy of Sciences (LAS)
Tarmo SOOMERE, President, Estonian Academy of Sciences
Valdemaras RAZUMAS, President, Lithuanian Academy of Sciences
Olli MARTIO, Secretary General, Finnish Academy of Science and Letters
- 14.30 **Policy advice in a world of global challenges: the role of national academies**
Bärbel FRIEDRICH, Vice President of *Leopoldina*
- 14.55 **Scholarly cooperation in the humanities through academic networking - in the Baltic region and globally.** Øivind ANDERSEN, President Union Académique Internationale, Secretary-General, Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters
- 15.20 -15.45 Coffee break
- 15.45 **Cooperation of research, technology development and innovation in Baltic Region: problems and solutions.** Ivars KALVIŅŠ, full mem. of the Latvian Academy of Sciences, Director for research, Latvian Institute of Organic Synthesis
- 16.20 **Baltic economic growth in cross-temporal comparison: inter-war and restored independence periods.**
Zenonas NORĶUS, Vilnius University, member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences
- 16.45 **Dependence on EU Structural funds in the Baltic Countries. Ways of Exit**
Urmas VARBLANE, Head of the Division, Estonian Academy of Sciences
- 17.10 **Rainis' Worldliness.** Benedikts KALNAČS, full mem. of the Latvian Academy of Sciences
- 17.35 **Ceremony of awarding the Medals of the Baltic academies of sciences**
- 18.00 End of first day. Group photo

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

- 8.30 Bus transfer from the hotel "Avalon" to the Latvian Academy of Sciences
- 8.45 Bus transfer from the Latvian Academy of Sciences to Jelgava
- 9.45 Arrival at Gederts Eliass History and art Museum of Jelgava
- 10.00 Unveiling of the Commemorative plaque dedicated to the Courland Society for Literature and Art' 200
- 10.30 **Opening the second day of the conference**
- 10.35 **200 years to the Courland Society for Literature and Art - the first scientific institution in the Baltics.** Jānis STRADIŅŠ, Chairman of Senate, Latvian Academy of Sciences
- 11.00 **Why is the history of Central European political thought worth studying?**
Maciej JANOWSKI, Professor, Polish Academy of Sciences
- 11.20 Coffee / tea break
- 11.45 **Artistic unity of the Baltic Sea Region countries**
Mart KALM, Vice-president of the Estonian Academy of Sciences, Rector of the Estonian Academy of Arts
- 12.05 **Christian communities and civic empowerment: fruitful tension**
Paulius V. SUBAČIUS, Professor, Vilnius University
- 12.25 **The Visegrad group of Academies. Sharing experiences.**
Dušan GÁLIK, Scientific Secretary, Slovak Academy of Sciences
- 12.45 **Closing remarks**
- 13.00 Ceremony to unveil a commemorative stamp "The Courland Society for Literature and Art- 200"
- 13.30 – 14.30 Lunch
- 14.30– 16.30 Jelgava City sightseeing (e.g. Tower of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Jelgava Palace and the Family Vault of the Dukes of Courland in the basement of Jelgava Palace)
- 16.30 Bus transfer from Jelgava to Riga