



Meeting of the Chairpersons of the Committees on European Affairs of the National Parliaments of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland

22 – 23 May 2016
Riga

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Sunday, 22 May 2016

Arrival of delegations – airport transfer to the Astor Riga hotel

Venue of the hotel: Z.A.Meierovica blvd. 10

13:30	Arrival of the Polish delegations
15:55	Arrival of the Estonian delegation
	Arrival of the Lithuanian delegation (by car)
18:30	Departure from the hotel to the Latvian National Opera and Ballet (walking distance) <i>Venue: Aspazijas blvd. 3</i>
19:00	Ballet – Anna Karenina. Conductor Ģintars Rinkevičs <i>Cocktail and finger food during the recess</i>
21:15	Return to the hotels

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8:40	Departure from the hotel to the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia (walking distance) <i>Venue: Room 307, Jēkaba st. 10/12.</i>
9:00 – 9:30	Opening remarks by Ms Lolita Čigāne , Chairperson of the European Affairs Committee of the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia Exchange of views on the draft agenda of the upcoming COSAC Plenary meeting
9:30 – 11:00	Migration issues: relocation and readmission, best practice on border controls <i>Guest speakers: Ms Evika Siliņa</i> , Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Latvia Mr Dmitrijs Trofimovs , Deputy State Secretary of the Ministry of Interior of the Republic of Latvia
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:00	Strategic Communication regarding Russia's information war <i>Guest speaker: Mr Jānis Sārts</i> , Director of the NATO Strategic Communications Centre of Excellence

13:00 – 14:00	Update on the situation in Ukraine <i>Guest speaker: H.E. Mr Juris Poikāns</i> , Ambassador of the Republic of Latvia to Ukraine
14:15	Departure from the Saeima to Restaurant “Muusu” (walking distance) <i>Venue: Skārņu st. 6.</i>
14:30 – 16:00	Lunch and discussion on the Nord Stream II project and its impact <i>Guest speaker: Mr Andris Sprūds</i> , Director of the Latvian Institute of International Affairs
16:15	Departure of delegations – transfer to the airport
16:15	Departure of the Lithuanian delegation (by car)
18:20	Departure of the Estonian delegation
18:30	Departure of the Polish delegations