

Nordic Forum for Security Policy 2010

FREEDOM, SECURITY AND JUSTICE - COMMON INTERESTS IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

ST. PETERSBURG 26.–28.4.2010

Preliminary Programme

26th April

19.00 – 21.00 HIGH LEVEL OPENING

Freedom, Security and Justice – Common Interests in the Baltic Sea Region

Chair: Krista Kiuru, MP, Chair of STETE, Finland

- Finnish speaker (tbc)
- Konstantin Kosachev, Chairman of the International Affairs Committee, State Duma of the Russian Federation (tbc)
- Amelie von Zweigbergk, State Secretary, Sweden
- Jan-Erik Enestam, Secretary General, Nordic Council
- German speaker

Reception

27th April

9.00 – PANEL I

The role of international cooperation to provide security in the Baltic Sea Region

Chair:

- Development of Baltic Sea Region
 - Sven Hirdman, Ambassador of Sweden in Russia
- EU Baltic Sea strategy
 - Henrik Lax, Former Member of the Finnish and European Parliament
- Dynamic Baltic Sea Region and cooperation with Belarus
 - Kiljunen Marja-Liisa, Ambassador of Finland in Lithuania and Belarus
 - Silitski Vitali, Director of Belarusian Institute for Strategies Studies, Minsk

Coffee

- Medvedev's Helsinki + initiative
 - Russian speaker
 - Rolf Ekéus, Chairman of OSSE-nätverket and the board of the [Stockholm International Peace Research Institute](#) (SIPRI), former High Commissioner on National Minorities (OSCE)
- Arctic Nuclear Weapon Free Zone, Scandinavia as a first step
 - John Scales Avery, Ph.D, Chairman Danish National Group, Pugwash Conferences on Science and World Affairs
- The Baltic Sea Region Border Control Cooperation (BSRBCC)/ Tripartite Border Control Cooperation (Finland-Russia-Estonia)
 - Border guard

Lunch

PANEL II

Free, safe and just societies

Chair: Rolf Ekéus

- Equality and non-discrimination
 - Tone Tingsgård, MP, Deputy Chair of the Swedish delegation to the OSCE
- Rule of law and strategies against corruption
 - Boris Pustyntsev; (Chair Citizens' Watch, member of HR council under the President of Russian Federation) tbc
- Role of Media from Russian and Swedish point of views
 - Jelena Larionova, Head of the project, Barents Press International. Journalists and international co-operation: Do we meet our duties?
 - Olof Kleberg, OSSE-nätverket, former editor-in-chief of Västerbottens-Kuriren
- Human Rights (e.g. LGBT-rights, discrimination)
- Combating aggressive nationalism, racism and intolerance

WORKING GROUPS:

I Environment

- Urgent Environmental Issues in the Baltic Sea Region
 - Jaakko Henttonen, NDEP manager, EBRD
- Nuclear safety of the Baltic Sea Region
 - Oleg Bodrov, Green World
- Environmental cross-border cooperation: models and challenges
 - Olga Senova, Chair of the Friends of the Baltic: Baltic Sea Ambassador volunteer programme with Finnish Nature League
- Renewable energy
- Emissions from agriculture

II Social and health care

- Human and labor trafficking
- Domestic violence, violence against women
 - Representative of Pitkäranta refuge: New operational models for non-institutional social care against domestic violence in order to improve the status of women in Karelia
- Alcohol and drug abuse
- Epidemics in diseases

III Culture: Challenges and possibilities of cooperation

- Exchange programmes
 - Kristina Henriksson, Senior Lecturer, Laurea University of Applied Sciences, and Bernd Waldeck, Kiel University of Applied Sciences: Promoting Intercultural Management for Working Life in the Baltic Sea Region,
- People to people contacts
- Kajaani-process (EU-Russia cultural cooperation, Northern Dimension cultural partnership)
 - Marianne Moller; consultant, CBSS Northern Dimension on Culture (tbc)

- Innovations

RESULTS OF THE WORKING GROUPS

Closing of the 2010 Nordic Forum

Gunnar Lassinantti, The Olof Palme International Center, OSSE-nätverket