

2019 JOINT SESSION OF THE LATVIAN-ESTONIAN AND ESTONIAN-LATVIAN GOVERNMENTAL COMMISSION FOR CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION

Date: November 6, 2019

Time: 11:30 – 16:20

Venue: Radisson Blu Ridzene Hotel,

Conference Hall “Kronvalds”, Reimersa str. 1, Riga, Latvia

AGENDA

11:30- 12:00 *Arrival and registration*

12:00 –13:00 *Joint lunch*

Time	Agenda topic	Speaker
13:00-13:10	<u>Opening of the 2019 Joint Session</u> <i>Opening speeches by the Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Joint Session</i> <i>Approval of the Agenda</i>	Mr Juris Pūce , Minister for Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Latvia Mr Jaak Aab , Minister of Public Administration, Estonia
13:10-14:30	<u>Overview of the work of the IGC in 2018 and 2019</u> <i>Report on status of the IGC issues agreed in 2018 Joint Session</i>	
	1) Coordination of cross-border rescue operations' procedures and plans	Mr Gatis Švika , Latvian Ministry of the Interior/ Mr Intars Zitāns , Fire and Rescue Service of the Republic of Latvia
	2) Health care and healthcare related public services in cross-border regions	
	2.1. Emergency medical assistance	Ms Līga Timša , Latvian Ministry of Health
	2.2. Cross-border use of Valga Hospital services	Mr Ragnar Vaiknemets , Estonian Ministry of Social Affairs
	2.3. Cooperation in health emergencies and disasters	Mr Ragnar Vaiknemets , Estonian Ministry of Social Affairs
	3) Cooperation in providing passenger traffic service on Riga-Tartu railway line	Mr Dins Merirands , Latvian Ministry of Transport
	4) Elaboration of unified geodetic justification for the Rail Baltic railway line construction	Mr Jānis Sakne , Latvian Geospatial Information Agency
	5) Determination, prioritisation and coordination of the list of road sections for reconstruction in the border area	Mr Dins Merirands , Latvian Ministry of Transport

		Mr Peeter Rahnel , member of the Parliament (Riigikogu)
	6) Ferry line connection between Saaremaa and Ventspils	Ms Marili Niits , Estonian Municipality of Saaremaa
	7) Development of joint packaging deposit system between Estonia and Latvia	Ms Rudīte Vesere , Latvian Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development
14:30-14:40	<u>Introduction and discussion of the 2019 identified issue</u>	
	8) Creation of joint geodetic support for the entire Latvian-Estonian border	Ms Karin Kollo – Estonian Land Board
14:40-15:00	<u>Conclusions and decisions</u> <i>Conclusions and decisions on the cooperation issues proposed for 2020</i>	Mr Juris Pūce , Minister for Environmental Protection and Regional Development, Latvia
		Mr Jaak Aab , Minister of Public Administration, Estonia
15:00-15:30	<i>Joint photo. Coffee break, networking</i>	
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15:30-15:50	Legal issues related to the European Commission regulation proposal “European cross-border mechanism”	Mr Hannes Nagel , Estonian Ministry of Finance
15:50-16:10	Perspectives of Latvia and Estonia cooperation in 2021-2027	Ms Iruma Kravale , Latvian Ministry of Environmental Protection and Regional Development Ms Margarita Golovko , Estonian Ministry of Finance
16:10-16:20	<u>Closure of the 2019 Joint Session</u> <i>Farewell speeches by the Chairman and Co-Chairman</i>	Mr Juris Pūce , Latvian Minister of Environmental Protection and Regional Development Mr Jaak Aab , Estonian Minister of Public Administration

