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## BALTIC SEA REGION UNIVERSITY NETWORK (BSRUN)

### BSRUN AND BALTIC SEA REGION RECTORS MEETING AND SEMINAR "LEGISLATION, GOVERNANCE STRUCTURES AND ECONOMICS OF EDUCATION"

April 11-12, 2012

University of Latvia, Main building,  
Raiņa bulvāris 19, Riga

#### PROGRAMME

#### Wednesday, April 11

15.00 - 17.00	Meeting of <b>BSRUN</b> Rectors, Senate Hall CHAIR: <b>Kari Hyppönen</b> , <i>President, BSRUN</i>
18.00	<b>Dinner, Restaurant "Kaļķu vārti"</b> (for all participants)

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 12, SMALL HALL

<b>8.30 - 9.00</b>	<b>REGISTRATION, LOBBY</b>
9.00 - 11.00	Session #1 CHAIR: <b>prof. I.Muižnieks</b> , <i>Vice-rector for Research, University of Latvia</i>
9.00 - 9.20	<b>Welcome addresses</b> <b>prof. Mārcis Auziņš</b> , <i>Rector of the University of Latvia</i> <b>Roberts Ķīlis</b> , <i>Minister of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia</i> <b>Kari Hyppönen</b> , <i>President of BSRUN</i>
9.20 - 10.00	<b>Hans Martens</b> , <i>Chief Executive, European Policy Centre, Brussels, Belgium</i> EUROPE'S ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CHALLENGES
10.00.-10.40	<b>Andrejs Rauhvargers</b> , <i>Secretary General Latvian Rectors Council, EUA expert, Professor, University of Latvia</i> SHOULD NATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION POLICY MAKING BE BASED ON THE RESULTS OF UNIVERSITY RANKINGS?
10.40 - 11.00	<b>Coffee and tea break</b>
11.00 - 13.00	Session #2: CHAIR: <b>prof. A.Kangro</b> , <i>Vice-rector for Academic Affairs, University of Latvia</i>
11.00-11.40	<b>Harry Fekkers</b> , <i>Counsellor for Research and Innovation, Maastricht University, Maastricht, Netherlands</i> UNIVERSITY STRUCTURES: LESSONS FROM THE PAST FOR THE FUTURE
11.40-12.20	<b>Mihails Hazans</b> , <i>Professor, University of Latvia, Latvia</i> BENEFITS FROM UNIVERSITY EDUCATION: PUBLIC AND PRIVATE EFFECTS ON INCOME, HEALTH, JOB SATISFACTION AND QUALITY OF LIFE – EVIDENCE FROM AROUND THE WORLD
	<b>PRESENTATIONS FROM REGION</b>
12.20 - 12.40	<b>Włodzimierz Lengauer</b> , <i>University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland</i> POLISH HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN THE LIGHT OF THE NEW LAW
12.40 - 13.00	<b>Kalervo Väänänen</b> , <i>Academic Rector, Eastern Finland University, Finland</i> IS ONE PLUS ONE REALLY MORE THAN TWO?
13.00 - 14.00	<b>Lunch</b>

14.00 - 16.00	<b>Session #3:</b> <b>CHAIR: Kari Hyppönen, President, BSRUN</b>
14.00 - 14.20	<b>Leonids Ribickis</b> , Rector, Riga Technical University, Riga, Latvia IMPROVEMENT OF THE GOVERNANCE OF RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
14.20 - 14.40	<b>Anatoly Gavrikov</b> , President, Novgorod State University, Novgorod, Russia, NEW ISSUES AND CHALLENGES FOR THE HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM RELATING TO RUSSIA JOINING WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION
14.40 - 15.00	<b>Rimantas Vaitkus</b> , Vice-Rector for International Affairs, Vilnius University, Lithuania HIGHER EDUCATION REFORM IN LITHUANIA 2009-2012: ACHIEVEMENTS AND FAILS
15.00 - 15.20	<b>Yury Vaitukevich</b> , Vice-Rector, Yanka Kupala State University of Grodno, Grodno, Belarus ACADEMIC SOCIAL NETWORKING: NEW TECHNOLOGIES OR DIGITAL REVIVAL OF FORGOTTEN TRADITIONS
15.20 - 15.40	<b>Kristian Thorn</b> , Deputy University Director, Research & Talent, Aarhus University. A SINGLE AND UNIFIED UNIVERSITY STRUCTURE IN TIMES OF CHANGE - THE RESTRUCTURING OF AARHUS UNIVERSITY
15.40 - 16.00	<b>Michael Zhuravkov</b> , First Vice-Rector, Belarus State University, Minsk, Belarus TRENDS IN BELARUSIAN HIGHER EDUCATION
	<b>Concluding Discussion and Closing Remarks</b>