



Towards healthy and sustainable food systems in the Baltic region
A workshop on the data needs, the policy options available and the role of transformation partners and stakeholders

Riga, Latvia
27 February–1 March 2019

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Information circular

Dear Participant,

We are pleased to provide you with the following information regarding the practical arrangements for the above meeting.

1. Venue of the meeting

Day 1–2: 27 and 28 February 2019

- Rīga Stradiņš University (Senate Hall)
Dzirčiema iela 16, Kurzemes rajons
Rīga, LV-1007, Latvia

Day 3: 01 March 2019

- Nordic Council of Ministers' Office
Marijas iela 13/3, Centra rajons
Rīga, LV-1666, Latvia

2. Online Registration

We encourage you to confirm your participation by registering online through this link:
<http://reg.unog.ch/e/FoodSystems/BalticRegion>

3. Language

The meeting will be held in English.

4. Registration, opening session and closure

Registration of participants will take place in Rīga Stradiņš University on Wednesday, 27 February 2019, from 08:30-09:00.

The meeting will begin at 09:00 and it is expected that the meeting will close no later than 15:00 on Friday, 01 March 2019.

5. Documentation

Documentation concerning the meeting will be sent out prior to the meeting or distributed during the meeting.

You are welcome to bring materials that would be relevant to the audience.

6. Accommodation

Name: **Islande Hotel ******
Address: Ķīpsalas iela 2, Kurzemes rajons
Rīga, LV-1048, Latvia
Phone: +371 67 608 000
Website: www.islandehotel.lv

Travel of participants arranged by WHO:

A hotel room is booked and paid for by the office, following the dates of your ticket. Please settle any other charges (laundry, room service, bar bills, telephone calls etc.) of your hotel room directly with the hotel.

Travel for participants NOT arranged by WHO:

Ten (10) rooms are reserved for the group. A special rate of 39 EUR /per night (including breakfast and VAT) is agreed. Please book directly with the hotel and advise the reservation number: 18887.

Please settle all charges directly with the hotel. The contact person is:

Ms Marita Vikele
Customer Service Manager
Riga Islande Hotel
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7. Tickets & transport

All participants will receive a 3-day ticket for use in public transportation within Riga. The ticket will be provided upon check-in at Islande Hotel or upon registration on 27 Feb 2019. Participants will have the option to take public transportation during the days of the meeting.

From Islande Hotel to Nordic Council of Ministers' Office

Here is the Riga Traffic suggested route planning:

<https://saraksti.rigassatiksmelv/index.html#plan/56.95109;24.08407/56.95049;24.12192/earliestdeparture,params/en>

Important – in this route planner you have to enter: **Islande Hotel** and **Berga Bazars**. You can enter your preferred time of arrival (e.g. 8:30 at Berga bazars), and then it will give you transport details with exact times of leaving. We suggest the option with single transport – e.g. trolley nr 12. Please, note there are heavy traffic jams at that time on Vanšu Bridge, so do check in good time.

From Islande Hotel to Riga Stradins University

- The distance is approximately 2.6 kms. Direct connections are available and will be communicated by updating this document no later than Monday, 4 Feb 2019.

8. Social event

The hosts have organized a dinner on Wednesday, 27 February 2019. Detailed information will be given at the meeting.

9. Restaurant options

A list of restaurants recommended by organizers and will be communicated in this document by Monday, 4 Feb 2019.

We hope we have covered all the administrative points you need to know in connection with the meeting. Should you have any queries however, please do not hesitate to contact:

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We look forward to seeing you in Riga!