

# Actions and strategies for management of water in agricultural landscapes – Baltic Sea Region

Inspiration - learning - working together - Action

## WATERDRIVE Baltic Regional Conference and Kick-off

<b>Hosts:</b>	Zanda Melnalksne, Latvian Farmers Parliament Staffan Lund, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, SLU.
<b>Date:</b>	March 26-27, Riga
<b>Venue:</b>	Radisson Blue Daugava Hotel in Riga, Latvia
<b>Language:</b>	English

### DAY 1 TUESDAY MARCH 26, 2019

<b>1200</b>	Arrival and lunch at the Radisson Blue Daugava Hotel in Riga, Latvia
<b>1300</b>	<b>Program starts and welcome speech</b> Aivars Lapins, Councillor of Latvian Ministry of Agriculture Elena Kolosova, Advisor for external cooperation, Interreg Baltic Sea Region Program <b>WATERDRIVE - why, what, when and where</b> Zanda Melnalksne, Project Communicator and Staffan Lund, Project Coordinator
<b>1345</b>	<b>Working for development and change – yes, but what development and change?</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Innovative governance structures and policy instruments for the Baltic Sea Region. Neil Powell, <i>Bonus - Miracle Project, Uppsala University.</i></li> <li>The socio-economic Baltic Sea Action Plan. Kaja Peterson, <i>Bonus Go4Baltic, SEI-Tallinn</i></li> </ol> Short break and bee hive <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhancing trust in local cross-sector cooperation – experiences from UK. Anneka France, <i>The Rivers Trust, UK</i></li> <li>The work of catchment officers in Denmark. <i>Fleming Gertz, SEGES</i></li> </ol>
<b>1500</b>	Coffee break
<b>1530</b>	<b>The role of leadership in local cross sector collaboration,</b> Magnus Ljung, <i>Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, SLU</i>
<b>1600</b>	<b>Panel discussion with the speakers,</b> Moderators, Kaja Peterson, SEI Tallinn/Frank Bondgaard, SEGES.
<b>1645</b>	<b>Closing remarks,</b> Emma Svensson, <i>Swedish Board of Agriculture.</i>
<b>1700</b>	End of day 1
<b>1900</b>	<b>Guided walk in old Riga and dinner.</b>

<b>DAY 2 WEDNESDAY MARCH 27, 2019</b>	
<b>0900</b>	<b>Introduction to thematic workshops, (WATERDRIVE WP leaders)</b>
<b>0920</b>	<p><b>Workshop 1:</b></p> <p><b>How to work with farmers and local authorities in a catchment.</b>  <i>Lead: Frank Bondgaard, WP2/SEGES</i></p> <p><b>Workshop 2:</b></p> <p><b>Innovations in multiscale decision support systems and their applications in rural areas.</b>  <i>Lead: Ainis Lagzdinš, WP3/Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies.</i></p>
<b>1015</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>1045</b>	<p><b>Workshop 3:</b></p> <p><b>Practices and challenges of water policy and governance in BSR.</b>  <i>Lead: Kaja Petersen, WP4/SEI Tallinn</i></p> <p><b>Workshop 4:</b></p> <p><b>Need of education and training - agricultural water management from farm to catchment level.</b>  <i>Lead: Katarzyna Izydorczyk, WP5/European Regional Center for Ecohydrology</i></p>
<b>1140</b>	<b>Actions and strategies forward - feed-back from the workshops</b>
<b>1230</b>	<b>Closing the international conference</b>
<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>1330</b>	<b>WATERDRIVE partnership meeting</b>
	Information for the partnership, Elena Kolosova, Project Officer, Interreg Baltic Sea Program Reporting and financial administration, Hallvard Wie, Financial coordinator, SLU
<b>1415</b>	<b>Planning by workpackages 2-5</b>
	What are the immediate activities and deliverables until end of 2019 (periods 1 and 2) and who is responsible for doing what? Step-by-step planning to reach the final outputs and results of the project.
<b>1515</b>	<b>Joint session - Project integration</b>
	Identification of project cross-cutting/integrated activities. Agree on responsibilities for integrated activities.
<b>1600</b>	<b>End of meeting and thanks</b>