

MEETING OF THE CHAIRPERSONS OF THE COMMITTEES ON EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEES ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF INFORMATION SOCIETY

United in Diversity: Political and Social Development Aspects of EU Languages and Cultures

Vilnius, 26–27 September 2013

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Thursday, 26 September 2013

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| | Arrival of the participants |
| 16.00–18.15 | Registration at the hotels
<i>Kempinski</i> , Universiteto g. 14, Vilnius
<i>Radisson Blu Astorija</i> , Didžioji g. 35/2, Vilnius
<i>Amberton</i> , L.Stuokos-Gucevičiaus g. 1, Vilnius |
| 18.15 | Departure by bus from the hotels for dinner |
| 19.00 | Dinner hosted by Ms Audronė PITRĖNIENĖ, Chair of the Committee on Education, Science and Culture, and Mr Mindaugas BASTYS, Chair of the Committee on the Development of Information Society

<i>Venue: Lithuanian National Opera and Ballet Theatre, A. Vienuolio St 1, Vilnius</i> |
| 22.00 | Return to the hotels by bus |

Friday, 27 September 2013

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| 8.15 | Departure by bus from the hotels for the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania |
| 8.30–9.00 | Registration in the Seimas (for those not registered yet)

<i>Venue: Lobby, Building II of the Seimas</i> |

OPENING SESSION

Venue: Plenary Hall of the Seimas, Building 2, Gedimino pr. 53, Vilnius

9.00

Introductory remarks by Ms Audronė PITRĖNIENĖ, Chair of the Committee on Education, Science and Culture of the Seimas

Introductory remarks by Dr Mindaugas BASTYS, Chair of the Committee on the Development of Information Society of the Seimas

Welcome address by Dr Vydas GEDVILAS, Speaker of the Seimas

Welcome address by Mr Rimantas SINKEVIČIUS, Minister of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Lithuania

Adoption of the agenda

SESSION I: MACHINE TRANSLATION OF EUROPEAN LANGUAGES: PROBLEMS, CHALLENGES, PROSPECTS

9.20

Keynote speakers:

Dr Sabine KIRCHMEIER-ANDERSEN, Director of the Danish Language Council

Mr Jan TRUSZCZYŃSKI, Director General of the Directorate General for Education and Culture of the European Commission

Ms Maria Cristina DE PRETER, Head of the Portuguese Language Department of the Directorate General for Translation of the European Commission

Debate

10.30

Family photo

Venue: Stained Glass Gallery, Building I of the Seimas

Coffee break

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11.00

Keynote speakers:

Dr Algirdas SAUDARGAS, Member of the European Parliament

Dr Andrejs VASIĻJEVS, Director of the company *Tildē*

Debate

12.30–14.00

Lunch

Venue: Stained Glass Gallery, Building I of the Seimas

12.30

Press Conference

Venue: Press Conference Hall, Building II of the Seimas

SESSION II: DIGITALISATION OF A LANGUAGE AS A PART OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

- 14.00 Keynote speakers:
- Mr Kimmo ROSSI, Head of the Research and Innovation Sector of the Unit Data Value Chain of the Directorate General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology of the European Commission
- Prof. Hans USZKOREIT, scientist, Chair of the META-NET Executive Board, Coordinator of META-NET and T4ME
- Ms Kaisa OLKKONEN, Member of the Executive Board of the Association DIGITALEUROPE, Vice President for Government Relations of *Nokia Corporation*
- Debate
- 16.00 Debate on and adoption of the conclusions of the meeting
- 16.30 End of the meeting
- Guided tour of the Seimas (in English or French) *optional*
- Return to the hotels or departure for the airport by bus
- 17.30 Return to the hotels by bus