



**Final conference of the  
European Economic Area and Norway Grants programme  
LV05 “Research and Scholarships”**

**Agenda**

**Tuesday, 17 October 2017**

Venue – **RISEBA Architecture and Media Centre H2O 6**

**Durbes street 4, Riga**

Working languages – English and Latvian, translation is ensured

Moderator – Dr.sc.ing. Kaspars Kalniņš

9.30 – 10.00	<b>Registration and morning coffee</b>
10.00 – 10.15	Opening of the conference: <b>Līga Lejiņa</b> <i>State Secretary of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia</i> <b>H.E. Mr Steinar Egil Hagen</b> <i>Extraordinary and plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Kingdom of Norway to Latvia</i>
10.15– 10.25	<b>Overview of the programme’s “Research and Scholarships” results in Latvia</b> <b>Mrs Gunta Arāja</b> <i>Deputy State Secretary – Director of the Policy Initiatives and Development Department of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia</i>
10.25 – 10.35	<b>Conclusions of the ex-post evaluation of the programme “Research and Scholarships” in Latvia</b> <b>Mrs Elita Zondaka</b> <i>Deputy Director – Director of the Science, Research and Innovation Policy Support Department of the State Education Development Agency</i>
10:35 – 11:00	<b>Dos and Don'ts in project applications – an expert's perspective</b> <i>The expert, based on her personal experience with the EU projects, international and national financial instruments (including EEZ/NFI grant scheme), will present practical tips with dos and don'ts in project applications and will give practical tips, how to prepare high quality project application.</i> <b>Keynote speaker – Prof. Marlen Gabriele Arnold</b> <i>Faculty of Economics and Business Administration of the Technical University of Chemnitz, Germany, independent expert of the European Commission for European Research and Innovation</i>
11.00 – 11.30	<b>Coffee break</b>

11.30 – 12.00	<p><b>How to efficiently communicate project idea and results</b></p> <p><i>The keynote speaker will present practical tips, how to prepare a good project proposal and how to communicate results of the research projects to the project evaluators, stakeholders and professional community.</i></p> <p><i>Keynote speaker – <b>Professor Boris Antunovic</b></i></p> <p><i>Faculty of Agriculture at the University of Zagreb, independent expert of the European Commission for European Research and Innovation</i></p>
12.00 – 12.30	<p><b>How to communicate research findings effectively with the society?</b></p> <p><i>Practical tips for the scientists – what are the best ways to tell the society about findings of your research and results of scientific projects? <u>or</u></i></p> <p><i>Using public arenas for communication of research results</i></p> <p><i>Keynote speaker – <b>Mr. Geir Aas</b></i></p> <p><i>Communications Adviser at Research Council of Norway</i></p>
12.30 – 13.30	<b>Lunch</b>
13.30 – 15.30	<p><b>Panel discussion: Sustainability of achieved results, impact of the implemented projects and benefits for the target groups (in Latvian and English)</b></p> <p>Participants:</p> <p><i><b>Mrs Birgit Jacobsen</b>, Senior adviser, Research Council of Norway</i></p> <p><i><b>Mrs Veena Gill</b>, Senior adviser, Norwegian Centre of International Cooperation in Education</i></p> <p><i><b>Dr phil. Agrita Kiopa</b>, Deputy State Secretary – Director of the Higher Education, Research and Innovation Department of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia</i></p> <p><i><b>Dr. biol. assoc. prof. Jānis Kloviņš</b>, Deputy Chairman of the Latvian Research Council, Director of the Latvian Biomedical Research and Study Centre</i></p> <p><i><b>Dr. oec. Raita Karnīte</b>, Chairman of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences of the Latvian Academy of Sciences</i></p> <p><i><b>Assoc. prof. Inta Mieriņa</b>, researcher, University of Latvia</i></p> <p><i><b>Assoc. prof. Līga Peiseniece</b>, pro-rector of BA School of Business and Finance</i></p> <p><i><b>Assoc. prof. Iveta Reinholde</b>, project manager, University of Latvia</i></p> <p><i><b>Dr. chem. Vadims Bartkevičs</b>, leading researcher, University of Latvia</i></p> <p><i><b>Dr. archaeol. Valdis Bērziņš</b>, leading researcher, University of Latvia</i></p>
15.30 – 15.45	<p>Closure</p> <p><i><b>Dr. phil. Agrita Kiopa</b>, Deputy State Secretary – Director of the Higher Education, Research and Innovation Department of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Latvia</i></p>
15.45 – 17.00	Closing reception of the programme