



16-21 January 2020
Tallinn, Estonia

4th Baltic Sea Conference on Literacy Searching for a Common Language

Dear participant,

Thank you for joining us at the 4th Baltic Sea Conference on Literacy. Searching for a Common Language.

Please find below some practical information regarding the event.

VENUE

The main venue is [Tallinn University, Astra building](#) (address: Narva maantee 29).

Please register and collect your badge as soon as you arrive and wear it during all events of the conference.

Registration desk opening times at the main venue:

January 18 starting from 9.00 Tallinn University Narva rd 29 in the wardrobe area on the ground floor.

January 19 starting from 8.30 Tallinn University Narva rd 29 in the wardrobe area on the ground floor.

The secretariat is present on January 18 and 19 all day long,

The registration desks are also open in the following venues:

January 16 at the Children's Literature Centre Pikk 73 starting from 18.00

January 17 on the Song Festival Grounds Narva rd 95 starting from 15.00

WiFi

Free wi-fi will be available in all conference venues.

Additional information will be provided on-site by the conference secretariat.

FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Free public transportation is provided by Tallinn city government for all the conference participants for the duration of the event.

For that you need to have the QR code (attached) in your smartphone screen or as a printout.

When you enter the bus, tram or trolley bus you need to beep the orange validator at the door with the QR code.

The public transport schedule can be found [here](#).

From the airport, you can take tram no. 4 or bus no. 2 to the city center.

For main venue trams no 1. and 3. stop at "Tallinna Ülikool". Buses 29, 35, 44, 51, 60, 63 stop at "Koidula".

Events on the 16th are mainly in the Old Town. The guided City tour starts at the Town Hall at 2PM.

The opening event on the Song Festival Ground (entrance B) starts at 4PM on the 17th. Buses 29, 35, 44, 51, 60, 63, 66, go to bus stop "Oru" and buses 1A, 58, 34A, 38 go to bus stop "Lauluväljak".

For a taxi service: the mobile taxi apps Uber and Bolt are very popular. You can order an electric taxi by calling 1918.

Read more about transportation [here](#).

ACCOMMODATION

If you booked your accommodation through the conference homepage, you need to show your ID at the hotel's registration desk. Printed vouchers are not necessary.

PROGRAM AND ABSTRACT BOOK

Please find the **program** and **abstract book** on the conference homepage [here](#). In addition, all the necessary information can be found on the conference APP. You can download the APP from worksup.com and enter the event ID: 4BSCL2020. In the APP you can compile your own personal program and profile to enhance your conference experience.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO PRINTOUTS OF THE PROGRAM AND ABSTRACTS BOOK AVAILABLE ON SITE FOR PARTICIPANTS.

IN CASE YOU NEED A PRINTOUT, WE SUGGEST YOU TO PRINT THEM IN ADVANCE AND BRING THEM ALONG.

SOCIAL EVENTS AND VENUES

All the information regarding the social **program and venues** can be found on the [conference homepage](#) –all the conference venues have been marked on [GoogleMaps](#) for easy access.

The list of **museum/library visits options for January 16th** is [here](#) and the list of **schools/kindergarten visits options for January 17th** is [here](#).

If you have registered these events, PLEASE SELECT A [MUSEUM/LIBRARY](#) AND/OR [SCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN](#)

If you have not registered and would like to join any social events, please contact us ASAP.

CREATIVE EVENING

Join us for a [Creative Evening](#) at Tallinn University Mare building on January 18.

Where everyone has a chance to introduce their culture with songs, dances, poems and so on – you are also welcome to bring along some traditional snacks and sweets, so everyone can have a taste of your culture.

Attendance is included in the program and is free of charge for all the participants and their accompanying persons.

GREEN CONFERENCE

We aim to reduce the conferences ecological footprint with the following measures:

- There will be no printouts of the program – you will be using the conference homepage and/or the **APP**.

- There will be no printed **abstract book**, but the printable PDF is available on the [homepage](#).

- In Estonia the general trend is that drinking water is [tap water](#). Therefore, we encourage you to bring along a reusable water bottle which you can refill anywhere throughout your stay.

- To reduce the number of disposable plastic cups, there will be rental mugs available.

The mugs are provided by [Support Center Juks](#) for intellectually disabled people.

You can rent the mug for 6€ (cash) and return it after use (at which point you will be refunded) or keep the mug.

By buying the mug you will directly help raise funds for Support Centre Juks. You are also welcome to bring along your own mug, which you can exchange with fellow participants. **Read more about the green conference [here!](#)**

CATERING

Coffee breaks are included in the registration fee.

Please note that **lunches are not arranged** by the conference organizers.

Our aim is to let you move out of the conference venue, explore the city in daylight and indulge your appetite in accordance with your preferences.

For that reason, the lunch-break is longer than usual.

This is also an excellent chance to ask a local participant for advice – locals always know the best places!

CERTIFICATE

All participants and presenters will receive a certificate as a PDF file via e-mail after the conference.

Please note that the certificates will be made available after completing the conference feedback form.

PRACTICALITIES

- Time zone: Eastern European GMT +2
- Electricity: The electrical current is 220 volts AC, 50 Hz, European-style 2-pin plugs are in use.
- Weather in Estonia - The weather forecast is currently +4 degrees C. Expect high winds and rain/sleet. Dress warmly (gloves, scarfs, hats, water resistant shoes)!
- Currency - National currency is Euro (1 euro = 100 cents)
- Credit cards and card payment - VISA, Maestro and MasterCard are widely accepted at hotels, restaurants, shops, kiosks, taxis and banks. Eurocard and American Express are less recognized. Card payments are common.
- Medical service and police – In case of an accident or sudden illness, call an ambulance or the police free of charge from any phone: 112.
- Pharmacies are usually open from 10:00-19:00. Two of them stay open all night: Súdameapteek – Tõnismägi 5, ph: +372 644 2282 and Vikerlase 16, ph: +372 638 4338. Pharmacies in shopping centers are usually open from 9:00-21:00.

Learn more about Tallinn and what it has to offer for its visitors from visittallinn.ee.

Additional information can be found from the [event's blog](#) and [homepage!](#)

NB! In case you registered someone else and used your own e-mail address as the contact address, please forward this information to anyone it affects.

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