

Erasmus+ Higher Education
International and Transnational Dimension

BALTIC INFO DAYS 2026

AGENDA

Riga, Latvia | 28–30 April 2026

Venue: AC Hotel by Marriott Riga

28/04/2026

- 17:00 - 18:00 *Registration and welcoming coffee*
- 18:00 - 19:00 **Welcome and Networking**
- 19:30 - 21:00 *Dinner at the Hotel & Networking*

29/04/2026

- 9:00 - 9:20 **Welcome to Day 2 by the Erasmus+ National Agency of Latvia**
Opening speeches
- 9:20 - 10:00 **Erasmus+ Higher Education Policy and Direct Management Actions in the Transnational Dimension of Higher Education**
Albert Sese - Ballart, Team Leader for Higher Education and Erasmus+ at the Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (European Commission - DG EAC)
- 10:00 - 10:30 **The EU Global Gateway Strategy and Erasmus+ Direct Management Actions in the International Dimension of Higher Education**
Adrian Veale, Policy Officer – Africa & Capacity Building for Higher Education, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (European Commission) (online)

- 10:30 - 10:50** **National Perspectives on Internationalization in Higher Education**
Artūrs Čerņiševs and Vita Jegorova, Senior Experts of the Department of Higher Education, Science and Innovation of Ministry of Education and Science of Latvia
- 10:50 - 11:10** **Joint Baltic NA Session: Erasmus+ direct management activities – State of Play in the Baltics**
 - *Inese Rimšāne, State Education Development Agency (LV)*
 - *Silva Viilup, Estonian Agency for Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corpus (EE)*
 - *Monika Skaringaitė, National Education Exchanges Support Foundation (LT)*
- 11:10 - 11:40** *Coffee break & networking*
- 11:40 - 12:00** **Measuring Impact in Erasmus+ Projects:** How to evaluate outcomes, sustainability and long-term internationalization effects in Erasmus+ direct management projects
Andrejs Cekuls, University of Latvia
- 12:00 - 12:30** **Capacity Building in Higher Education:** Experience sharing, demonstrating measurable impact and sustainability
Svitlana Shytikova, National Erasmus+ Office from Ukraine
- 12:30 - 13:00** **European Universities:** Spreading innovative results to higher education institutions as Long-Term Activities (LTA) in the Erasmus+ Programme
Albert Sese - Ballart, Team Leader for Higher Education and Erasmus+ at the Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (European Commission - DG EAC)
- 13:00 - 13:20** **International Credit Mobility:** Experience sharing
Velta Trūle, University of Daugavpils (LV)
- 13:20 - 13:30** Questions & Answers
- 13:30 - 15:00** *Lunch & networking*
- 15:00 - 16:30** **Parallel Working Groups & Impact Experience Sharing**
Format: 3 parallel groups working on the same set of topics
Impact experience contributors:
 - *Iveta Putniņa and Mārīte Balāņuka, Vidzeme University of Applied Sciences (LV)*
 - *Rima Mickevičienė, Klaipėda University (LT)*
 - *Teet Teinemaa, Tallinn University (EE)*

- 16:30 - 17:00 *Coffee break & networking*
- 17:30 - 19:00 *Free time // Guided tour in Riga*
- 19:00 - 21:00 *Dinner & networking*

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- 9:00 - 9:10 **Introduction and Welcome to Day 3**
- 9:10 - 9:30 **Summary & Feedback** of discussions and highlights from working group parallel sessions
- 9:30 - 10:00 **Higher Education in International dimension – cooperation with Eastern Neighborhood region**
Svitlana Shytikova, National Erasmus+ Office of Ukraine
- 10:00 - 10:20 **Higher Education in International dimension – cooperation with Eastern Neighborhood region**
Claudia Melinte, National Erasmus+ Office of Moldova
- 10:20 - 10:40 **Higher Education in International dimension - cooperation with Western Balkan region**
Vanja Drljević, National Erasmus+ Office of Montenegro
- 10:40 - 11:00 **Higher Education in International dimension - cooperation with South-Mediterranean region**
Latifa Daadaoui, National Erasmus+ Office of Morocco
- 11:00 - 11:30 *Coffee break & networking*
- 11:30 - 11:50 **Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters project:** Experience sharing
Gediminas Karoblis, Vytautas Magnus University (LT)
- 11:50 - 12:10 **Alliances for Innovation:** Experience sharing
Linda Matisāne, Riga Stradiņš University (LV)
- 12:10 - 12:30 **Jean Monnet:** Experience sharing
Artem Boyarchuk, Tallinn University of Technology (EE)

- 12:30 - 12:50** **Erasmus+ Virtual exchanges:** Experience sharing
Agnese Upīte, Riga Technical University (LV)
- 12:50 - 13:30** **The Future of Erasmus+: What to Expect for Higher Education
(2028–2034)**
*Albert Sese - Ballart, Team Leader for Higher Education and Erasmus+ at the
Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (European
Commission - DG EAC)*
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- 13:40 - 15:00** *Lunch & networking*