



SUMMIT 2010

European challenges – Regional solutions

An Agenda for Jobs, Investments and Sustainable Growth

For the first time, Lithuania and Vilnius will be hosting the Summit of the Baltic Development Forum. The annual Forum coincides with the Prime Ministers' Baltic Sea States Summit that will mark the end of the Lithuanian Presidency of Council of the Baltic Sea States.

BDF is proud to be working closely together with the Lithuanian Government on Two Summits – One City

VILNIUS 1–2 JUNE 2010
Two Summits – One City

organized in association with the Lithuanian Government

Welcome to the 12th Baltic Development Forum Summit

Acknowledged as the Northern European version of World Economic Forum, the BDF Summit offers decision-makers a unique platform for debating matters of importance and interesting cross-sector, cross-level and cross-border encounters. The Summit's Networking Village provides an informal and enriching framework for the expected 600 decision-makers from business, government, administration, academia and media.

The objective with the two Summits is to make new advances in regional integration, as well as to further a green, economic recovery based upon innovative invest-

ments and projects. The Baltic Sea Region has all the competences and qualifications to brand itself internationally as the Green Valley of Europe and thereby attract foreign

investments, create jobs and new business opportunities. The EU strategy for the Baltic Sea Region sets a unique framework for defining a forward looking agenda, that can be used as inspiration for the EU's 2020-agenda on a more competitive Europe. We will work with the Confederation of Industries and other business leaders of the region in defining the new goals.

We will measure the economic temperature and this year's State of the Region Report will give guidance to all regional decision-makers and investors.



"The Baltic Sea Region has a perfect possibility to become a model of cooperation for other regions of Europe and the world".

**Prime Minister of Lithuania
Andrius Kubilius**



Summit Agenda

The EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

The Summit will address the subjects and project areas related to the Region's competitiveness and prosperity (innovation, science and research, design, internal market etc.). The private sector needs to be more involved and the summit will try to make up for this deficiency.

Competitiveness, Investment, Jobs and Growth

Economic recovery and renewed growth is on the top of the European agenda. How does a regional version of the EU2020 look like? The Summit will present a regional strategy

for jobs, investments and growth, and present the perspective of business and industry to the Heads of Government that are participating in the Baltic Sea States Summit in Vilnius.

Energy, climate change and water

Green growth and green energy are intimately linked. The Summit will address how to create an internal market for gas in the Baltic Sea Region through new infrastructural investments. The Summit will define the most important elements in a future energy vision for the Region that combines integrated energy markets, climate change, a clean Baltic Sea, renewable energies and energy security.

Neighbouring Policy

Economic relations with Eastern neighbours, Russia/Kaliningrad and Belarus, are integral parts of the common vision for the Region. The Summit will highlight the opportunities as well as strengthen and expand the existing network. The Baltic Development Forum think-tank will take up the most pressing political issues in regional cooperation and in improving neighbourly relations.

Improving business networking

The Summit will facilitate public-private partnerships and contacts. It will take up the most pressing issues that are on the agenda of business and industry including banking, investments and trends in global trade.



The BDF Summit offers you unique opportunities to

- Meet high-level decision makers
- Discuss topical issues
- Influence the European policies
- Expand your international network
- Be updated on regional and European facts and trends
- Develop business opportunities

Programme

Monday Evening 31 May

Early arrivals are welcomed to individual Vilnius City sightseeing and Reception

Tuesday 1 June

Morning: Official Opening at the Lithuanian Exhibition and Convention Centre

- Summit Sessions and Networking activities

Evening: Special address

- Baltic Sea Award Ceremony
- Gala Dinner



Networking Village

The BDF Summit represents the best regional platform for business. No other regional platform attracts the level and numbers of business representatives in combination with high-level political decision-makers.

In order to improve the networking and the chances to influence the regional agenda, the Summit frameworks are constantly improved.

A special programme for this part will comprise of business lunches, Investors's Café, workshops, presentations, exhibitions, expert meetings, matchmaking and back-to-back meetings. Companies and organizations with a stake in the economic and political development of the region are offered sponsorships and exhibition opportunities in the networking village during the Summit.

Wednesday 2 June

Joint Session with Baltic Sea State Summit and Networking activities

Afternoon: End of the official programme

Post Summit: Back to Back activities

- Baltic Sea Region Energy Cooperation Workshop
- Baltic Metropolises Promo
- Baltic Metropolises Network
- Nordic-Baltic Confederation of Industries
- Joint Platform on Energy and Climate



The Baltic Sea Award



The Baltic Sea Award 2010 is given to an individual or organization that has made an extraordinary contribution to the development of the Baltic Sea Region. The award includes a monetary prize of € 5,000

Nominations to the Award are made by the award sponsor and Baltic Development Forum. As previous years, a jury - consisting of a representative of the award sponsor Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, Chairman of Baltic Development Forum and the Prime Minister of a Baltic Sea State – appoints the winner.



Member and Partnership Programmes and Summit sponsorships

BDF offers five different programmes:

- Full year engagement (including the Summit)
Summit Partnership, Strategic Partnership, Membership
- Summit 2010
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Facts about the Summit

Venue

Lithuanian Exhibition Centre LITEXPO,
Laisves pr. 5, LT-04215 Vilnius, Lithuania
<http://www.litexpo.lt/en/main/index>



How to get there

Lithuanian Exhibition and Convention Centre LITEXPO / Lietuvos parodų centras Litexpo exhibition pavilion plot is situated between green Vilnius city slopes and the Neris river.

From Vilnius International Airport, it takes less than quarter of an hour by car.

For those arriving early for the Summit, Vilnius Tourist Information Centre is an excellent advisor on how to make the most of your time in Vilnius.



Participation fees (excluding VAT)

	All inclusive*	Conference participation
Members & Strategic Partners	Free of charge	Free of charge
Business	€ 400	€ 300
Administration	€ 250	€ 150
NGO	€ 150	€ 50
Academia	€ 150	€ 50

* Fee includes full conference participation, Gala Dinner, Special Social Event and Baltic Sea Award 2010 ceremony

Registration/Accommodation

For more information please refer to the Summit website: www.bdforum.org/Summit2010
Registration opens 15 March 2010



Flight reservations

Book a flight with the official Summit carrier SAS via the Summit website

www.bdforum.org



SAS Group

Baltic Development Forum is an independent non-profit networking organisation with more than 6000 representatives for large companies, governments, major cities, institutional investors, business associations and media in the Baltic Sea Region and Northern Europe. Our vision is to make the Baltic Sea Region the most prosperous and dynamic eco-

nomie centre in Europe and in the world through integration, innovation and partnership.

Baltic Development Forum is chaired by the former Minister for Foreign Affairs of Denmark Uffe Ellemann-Jensen, and the Director of the Secretariat is Hans Brask.

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