



ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

PURE NATURE: IMAGE OF ESTONIA OR PREREQUISITE FOR DEVELOPMENT?

MAY 5, 2015

10.30 – 17.00

UNIVERSITY OF TARTU, NARVA COLLEGE

PROGRAM

- 10.30 Registration and welcome coffee
- 10.55 – 11.15 **Opening**
Marko Pomerants, Minister of Environment
Jalmar Mandel, Executive Director of Estonian Environment Agency (ESTE A)
Katri Raik, Director of Narva College of University of Tartu

I EUROPEAN ENVIRONMENT OUTLOOK AND ESTONIA IN THE BACKGROUND

- 11.15 – 12.00 **SOER2015 and Green Economy**
KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Jock Martin, European Environment Agency
- 12.00 – 12.30 **What does SOER2015 say about Estonia?**
CO-SPEAKER: Andrus Meiner, European Environment Agency
- 12.30 – 13.10 *Lunch break*

II ESTONIAN ENVIRONMENT IN THE SPOTLIT

- 13.10 – 13.25 **Combustion of oil shale: it's the past and the present, but is it the future as well?** Elo Mandel. Leading specialist of ambient air department, ESTEA
- 13.25 – 13.40 **Circular economy and material flow: waste as a determinant.** Matti Viisimaa. Specialist of waste management, ESTEA
- 13.40 – 13.55 **Water is not everything, but without water, everything is nothing.** Peeter Ennet. Chief specialist of data analysis, ESTEA
- 13.55 – 14.10 **Biodiversity – help or hindrance?** Lauri Klein. Leading specialist of biodiversity, ESTEA
- 14.10 – 14.55 **Panel discussion.**
Hot spots of Estonian environment, their driving forces and possible consequences are discussed by Deputy Chancellor of the Ministry of Environment **Meelis Münt**, Senior Researcher of Institute of Ecology of Tallinn University **Jaanus Terasmaa**, Leader of the Union of Ida-Viru County governments **Veikko Luhalaid**, Member of Board of Estonian Union of Natural Resources **Mihkel Pukk** and Head of Oil-Shale Competence Center **Kalle Pirk**.
- 14.55 – 15.15 *Break*

III CHANGE OF DIRECTION OR GEARCHANGE?

- 15.15 – 15.30 **Environmental value – how to achieve environmental policy goals in concurrence with economic and social policy ?**
Aire Rihe. Adviser with the Environment Management Department, Ministry of the Environment
- 15.30 – 15.45 **Estonian people and environment: myths and reality**
Kati Orru. Reseach Fellow of Institute of Social Sudies, Chair of Social Policy. University of Tartu.
- 15.45 – 16.00 **Role of natural capital in assessing sustainable development**
Tea Nõmmann. Head of Stockholm Environment Institute – Tallinn
- 16.00 – 16.50 **Panel discussion:** overcoming the challenges of the environment and options for developing a sustainable future are discussed by Deputy Chancellor of the Ministry of Environment **Meelis Münt**, Director of Institute of Ecology of Tallinn University **Mihkel Kangur**, Leader of the Union of Ida-Viru County governments **Veikko Luhalaid**, Member of Board of Estonian Union of Natural Resources **Mihkel Pukk** and Head of Oil-Shale Competence Center **Kalle Pirk**.
- 16.50 – 17.00 **Flashback of the day**
Andre Zahharov, Director of Environmental Monitoring and Assessment, ESTEA.

The day is moderated by **Valdur Lahtvee**, Program Manager in Stockholm Environment Institute – Tallinn.