



**Paralia**  
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**Paralia Nature Workshop**  
**Natura 2000 and the Sea Ports in the**  
**Baltic**  
**10 and 11 May 2007**  
**Riga**

## Port of Riga *Paralia Nature Meeting*

10-11 May 2007

### **Introduction**

The workshop on 'Baltic Sea Ports, and Natura 2000' will be the fifth workshop of the third phase of 'Paralia Nature'.

### **General goal**

Exchange of practices regarding estuary management and coastal zone management for Natura 2000 in North West Europe and in the Baltic region. The focus will particularly be on the implications of Natura 2000 for port planning in the Baltic.

### **Schedule**

We would like to welcome ports from Central and Eastern Europe to take part in the project and to discuss issues of specific concern to Baltic Sea Ports, joining the workshop. Representatives from the Port of Riga and the Paralia partners and other invited experts, will join the workshop and give a presentation related to their environmental port issues and legal framework.

### **Approach:**

The first day, an introduction on the goals and programme of the day and a brief intro on 'Paralia Nature' will be given by Frank Neumann (IMI) and Inge Cabe –port of Riga-, followed by a general presentation on Natura 2000 in the Baltic, from a representative of the Nature Protection Unit from the European Commission and then a presentation from the Baltic Environmental Forum and the Baltic Sea Port Organisation. After the lunch break, Natura 2000 issues in the port of Riga will be discussed in relation to its planned development, followed by presentation from an NGO perspective and a discussion; this will be followed by a site excursion the second day in which specific attention will be given to the management of the port area accompanied with ecological expertise.

It will be the intention of those two days

- 1) to disseminate knowledge en know-how to central and eastern European ports from the participants of Paralia,
- 2) to discuss the specific issues in relation to the Baltic, and
- 3) to explore futher opportunities for co-operation and dissemination in the Baltic.

### **Target group:**

Experts, NGOs, administrators, port staff, 20 to 30 participants upon invitation

**DAY 1**

- 9:30 Welcome Port authority Riga  
*Leonid Loginovs, Port of Riga*
- 9:45 Introduction Programme and goals of the day  
*Frank Neumann, Insitute for Infrastructure, Environment and Innovation, and Inge Cabe – Port of Riga*
- 10:15 Presentation by representative of European Commission: Nature Protection Unit: Planning Natura 2000 in the Baltic –*invited-*
- 10:30 Baltic Sea Port response to Natura 2000,  
*Presentation by Baltic Sea Ports organisation –Bogdan Oldakowski-*
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:20 Natura 2000 in Latvia  
  
*Inga Belasova, Ministry of Environment, Nature Protection Unit.*
- 11:50 Discussion on Baltic Seaports and Natura 2000
- 12:30 *Lunch Break*
- 13:45 Development in the port of Riga  
  
*Vladimirs Makarovs – Director of Strategic Planning and project Management Departement of the Freeport of Riga authority*
- 14:45- Development in another Baltic port –representative invited-
- 15:15 Role of NGOs in Baltic Sea Port Planning –ngo representative invited-
- 15:45 Coffee Break
- 16:15 Discussion on development projects in Baltic
- 17:00 Closure and view on day 2