

## European Sustainable Energy Seminar, Talsi, Latvia, September 25-27, 2024

**Program with online part included - INFORSE-Europe Updated Final Version: 23/9 2024**

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NOTE: All times are Eastern European Summer Time (EEST) (Latvia, Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine, which is one hour later than Central European Summer time CEST (Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Germany, France, Spain)

**Tuesday 24/9 From 16.00 Arrival - 19.00 Dinner in Talsi hotel for people has arrived**

### **Wednesday 25/9 (also online 9.30 – 13.00)**

**8.00** Breakfast

**9.30 *Opening of the meeting, presentation of program and participants.***

by Henning Bo Madsen & Judit Szoleczky, INFORSE-Europe, Janis Matulis, LaGM, and Mr. Valdis Bārda, Deputy Executive Director of Talsi region Council administration.

**10.30 Quick update of European policies and developments to 100% renewable energy as part of sustainable climate strategies, EU-level and selected national developments** by Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe.

**11.00** Coffee/tea Break

**11.15 Global Climate negotiations and results so far, what to expect at COP29 and beyond?**

By Gunnar Boye Olesen, INFORSE-Europe, discussions

**11.45 Nuclear power in Europe**, by Gunnar Boye Olesen and Henning Bo Madsen, INFORSE-Europe

**12.15 Scenarios for 100% renewable energy for Lithuania,**

by Domantas Tracevičius, Circular-Economy Lithuania.

**13.00 Lunch** (departure for tour)

**13.45 Local sustainable-energy tour**, to see good and maybe bad examples of renewable energy, energy conservation, and others. Plan include efficient heating system & energy renovations of houses, solar field, new waste incineration co-generation project, one private cottage with solar panels. By Janis, LaGM.

**17.30** Free time

**18.00** Dinner

**19.00 Open evening, presentations from participants** on topics they work with and that they are interested.

### **Thursday 26/9 (also online from 9.00 - 17.30)**

**7.30** Breakfast

**9.00 The best mitigation measures for Green Deal in Nordic and Baltic countries.** Results from the ongoing Better Green Deal project supported by NCM - by Dag Høystad, NNV, Norway.

**10.00 Road Map of the Climate and Energy policy by 2030 and Climate Neutrality by 2050.**

By Ms. Aija Timofejeva, Director of the Department of Sustainable Energy at the Ministry of Climate and Energy, Republic of Latvia (Online) - Dialogue moderated by Janis Matulis, LaGM.

**11.00** Coffee/tea break

**11.15 Vision for transition of Nordic-Baltic region, Belarus and Ukraine** (result from Better Green Deal project supported by NCM) - by project partners from Lithuania, Denmark, Sweden, Belarus, Ukraine, Norway.

**12.15** Lunch

**13.00 Scenarios for 100% renewable energy for Latvia** by Janis Brizga, Green Liberty, Latvia

**14.00 The role of sufficiency in climate mitigation and European energy and climate policies. Proposals and examples from real world and from the research of the FULFILL Project funded by the EU Horizon2020 Program.** By Gunnar Olesen and Judit Szoleczky, INFORSE-Europe

**15.00 GROUP WORK: How do we get sufficiency into national and local climate policies in each country? Groups are developing proposals for policies and actions.** Group leaders: Gunnar, Judit, Janis Brizga

**16.30 Report back from groups - with coffee**

**17.00 Brain storm on future cooperations**

**17.30 Free time**

**18.00 Dinner**

**19.00 Open evening, presentations from participants**

## **Friday 27/9 (also online 9.00 – 17.00)**

**8.00 Breakfast**

**9.00 "Waste - to - energy" projects in Latvia, by Liene Krauja, Green Liberty, Latvia**

**9.30 Energy communities, their potential in renewable energy developments in sustainable ways, EU and selected national policies with support and barriers. Exchange on practical examples.** By INFORSE-Europe

**10.00 GROUP WORK: Development of proposals for policies and actions for energy communities.** Facilitated by Henning Bo Madsen, Bela Munkacsy, Ursel Beckmann, Arturs Undrests.

**10.45 Report back from groups**

**11.00 Coffee/tea break**

**11.15 Brain storm on future cooperation: policy cooperation, campaigns, joint projects inside Europe, cooperation with other INFORSE regions.** Facilitated by Béla Munkácsy

**12.30 Lunch**

**13.30 GROUP WORK in thematic groups for future cooperation, 45 min. for each group**

**15.00 Presentations from groups, discussion of activities.** Facilitated by Ursel Beckmann.

**16.00 Coffee/tea break**

**16.15 Agreements of future activities, proposals for cooperation**

**17.00 Free time**

**18.00 Final seminar dinner**

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## **Saturday 28/9 (also online 10.00 -12.00) for INFORSE-Europe members**

**8.00 Breakfast**

**10.00-12.00 INFORSE-Europe General Meeting according to bylaws**

**12.00 Lunch**

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*The Seminar presents results of projects: Better Green Deal Project supported by Nordic Council of Ministers (NCM) and co-financed by AirClim and INFORSE-Europe, and FULFILL Project funded by the EU Horizon2020 Program.*

