



Baltic Sea Parliamentary Youth Forum 2022

– Decision-makers of today meet region
builders of tomorrow

Bridging the generational divide to ensure a peaceful and
sustainable future for the Baltic Sea Region

PROGRAMME

SATURDAY 11 JUNE

Meeting Chair Mr Pyry Niemi, President of the Baltic Sea Parliamentary Conference

SESSION 1 A STABLE REGION IN TROUBLED TIMES:
12.30–14.00 HOW CAN WE STRENGTHEN DEMOCRACY AND PEACEFUL
REGIONAL COOPERATION IN TIMES OF CRISIS?

12.30–12.35 Opening

Welcoming words by Mr Pyry Niemi, President of the Baltic Sea Parliamentary Conference (BSPC) 2020–2022 and Chair of the Swedish delegation to the BSPC

12.35–12.45 Keynote speech by Chair of the governing board of SIPRI and former Swedish Prime Minister, Mr Stefan Löfven

12.45–13.00 Q&A with Mr Stefan Löfven

13.00 –13.10 Keynote speech by Swedish Youth Representative to the UN Forum on Climate 2021–2022, Ms Amanda Björksell

13.10–13.15 Concluding remarks by Mr Pyry Niemi

13.15–14.00 Networking session

Participants are divided into smaller groups with a parliamentarian in each group and given the opportunity to mingle.

Meeting Chair Ms Cecilie Tenfjord-Toftby, Chair of the BSPC Working Group on Climate Change and Biodiversity

SESSION 2 A RESILIENT REGION – MITIGATING, ADAPTING, AND
14.00–15.00 BUILDING OUR WAY TO A GREENER, STRONGER
AND MORE BIODIVERSE BALTIC SEA

14.00–14.05 Opening

Statement by Ms Cecilie Tenfjord-Toftby, Chair of the BSPC working group on Climate Change and Biodiversity (WG CCB) and Deputy Chair of the Swedish delegation to the BSPC

14.05–14.35 Panel discussion

Ms Gun Rudquist, Head of Policy at the Baltic Sea Centre at Stockholm University

Ms Heidi Tuhkanen, Senior Expert at the Stockholm Environmental Institute in Tallinn

Mr Johannes Schraps, Member of Parliament, Germany, Vice President of the BSPC

Ms Bryndís Haraldsdóttir, Member of Parliament, Iceland, Member of The Nordic Council Committee for a Sustainable Nordic Region

14.35–15.00 Q&A with panel and youth participants

15.15–15.30 Break, division into roundtable discussion groups

SESSION 3
15.30–17.00 ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION WITH MEMBERS OF THE BSPC WORKING GROUP ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND BIODIVERSITY

Possibility for youth participants to give direct input to the work of the BSPC Working Group on Climate Change and Biodiversity (WG CCB). The objective for each group is to produce two recommendations to the BSPC, which later will be shared with the WG CCB.

15.30–16.35 Roundtable group discussions

Innovation

Led by Ms Cecilie Tenfjord-Toftby, Member of Parliament, Sweden, Chair WG CCB

Sea and coastline resilience

Led by Ms Jessy Eckerman, Member of Parliament, Åland

Resilient cities

Led by Mr Jānis Vucāns, Member of Parliament, Latvia

Forest, wetlands and biodiversity

Led by Mr Johannes Schraps, Member of Parliament, Germany, Vice President of the BSPC

16.35–16.55 Presentation of discussions in full group

16.55–17.00 Concluding remarks by Ms Cecilie Tenfjord-Toftby

