



BRIDGES IN THE BALTICS

XIII International Scientific Baltic
Students Conference

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME



UNIVERSITY
OF WARSAW

25—26 September 2026
Old Library of the University of Warsaw



DAY 1 25 SEPTEMBER

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9.00—11.30

1st Day Start

9.00—9.30

Registration

9.30—10.00

Opening (Auditorium)

Hosts: Head of the Faculty of Polish Studies at the University of Warsaw, Associate Professor **Iwona Kurz**

Head of the Department of General Linguistics, Sign Linguistics and Baltic Studies, Associate Professor **Paweł Rutkowski**

Head of the Subdepartment of Baltic Studies, **Joanna Tabor**

Special Guests: His Excellency **Miko Haljas**, the Ambassador of the Republic of Estonia to the Republic of Poland

His Excellency **Raimonds Jansons**, the Ambassador of the Republic of Latvia to the Republic of Poland

His Excellency **Valdemaras Sarapinas**, the Ambassador of the Republic of Lithuania to the Republic of Poland

10.00—11.30

PLENARY SESSION I

Mārtiņš Kaprāns

University of Latvia

The Transformation of Russophone Identity in the Baltic States after 2022

Marcin Będkowski

University of Warsaw

Are Large Language Models Stochastic Parrots?

Discussion

11.30—12.00

Coffee break



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12.00—12.15	Dovilė Gavelytė Vilnius University <i>Manipulative and Causative Constructions in Lithuanian, Latvian, Livonian, and Estonian</i> (English)	Julija Poškaitė Vilnius University <i>Use of Personal Pronouns in Parliamentary Election Debates</i> (Lithuanian)	Helina Harend Estonian Literary Museum / University of Tartu <i>Mapping Kinship in Estonian Runosongs</i> (English)
12.15—12.30	Ilze Jaunzeme Ventspils University of Applied Sciences <i>Thematic Field “Judicial Proceedings”: Comparative Analysis of Lexicographic Sources of the 20th—21st Centuries (LV-EN-LV)</i> (English)	Marius Danilevičius University of Oxford <i>Who Spoils Their Ballot in Lithuania? An Analysis of the 2012—2024 Seimas Elections</i> (English)	Hedvig Puusaar Estonian Academy of Music and Theatre <i>Semantic Fields of Sacredness in Arvo Pärt’s “Vater unser” through the Vocal Part, Piano Accompaniment and Their Interaction</i> (English)
12.30—12.45	Adomas Katilius Vilnius University <i>Sports Terms in the First Lithuanian and Latvian Sports Magazines</i> (English)	Anastasiia Puha Vytautas Magnus University <i>Small Countries Can Make Humanitarian Aid Work Better: From Kaunas to Kharkiv</i> (English)	Vivien Reinhold University of Tartu <i>Wood and Concrete: Architectural Texts in Tartu’s Semiosphere</i> (English)

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13.00—13.15	Simona Juškevičiūtė Vilnius University <i>The Origin and Word Formation of Sweet-Dish Names in Lithuanian and Latvian</i> (Lithuanian)	Emilija Vievesytė Vilnius University <i>Dating Discourse: Strategies of Men's and Women's Descriptions on Tinder</i> (English)	
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14.30—14.45	Domantas Dimša Vytautas Magnus University <i>Between Loyalty and National Identity: Changing Political Orientations among Lithuanian Poles, 1933—1938</i> (English)	Anna Krawczyk University of Warsaw / University of Szczecin <i>Two Lithuanian Translations of Czesław Miłosz's Świat (Poema naiwne): A Comparative Analysis of Geda's and Venclova's Translation Strategies</i> (Lithuanian)	Marilyn Mägi Estonian Literary Museum <i>Small Lives, Big History: Everyday Life and Historical Memory in Estonian Life Stories</i> (English)
14.45—15.00	Naglis Grasmanas Vytautas Magnus University <i>1918—1940 Latvian National Policy — Question of Autonomy</i> (English)	Konradas Pukinskas Vilnius University <i>The Adaptation of a Classic Novel in the School Context: Fyodor Dostoevsky's Crime and Punishment</i> (Lithuanian)	Mila Burchart University of Warsaw <i>The Limits of Responsibility: Negotiating the Boundaries of Moral Community in Lithuanian Memory Debates</i> (English)
15.00—15.15	Artsiom Savutsin University of Warsaw <i>"Liberation" of the Vilnius Region in Soviet Press Propaganda (1939—1940)</i> (English)	Elīza Paula Graudiņa The Institute of Literature, Folklore and Art of the University of Latvia / Vilnius University <i>Same Stories on Different Stages: Literary Works Adapted for Theatre in Lithuania and Latvia (2025—2026)</i> (Latvian)	Abdullah Frogh Veer Narmad South Gujarat University <i>Cultural Identity and Memory: A Comparative Study of Baltic and Afghan Societies</i> (English)

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15.30—15.45	Evgeny Zavadskiy University of Tartu <i>The Image of the Border between the Estonian Republic and the USSR (Based on Content from Estonian and Russian Emigre Press in the First Half of the 1930s)</i> (English)		Jindřich Čeladín Charles University / Vytautas the Great War Museum <i>František Hiksa: A Forgotten Czech in Lithuania</i> (English)
15.45—16.00	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion
16.00—17.00	Relocation		
17.00—19.30	Cultural event		

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PLENARY SESSION II

Ieva Spolīte-Jansone

EKKAV / University of Latvia

Latvia and Estonia — Different yet Alike

Akvilė Rėklaitytė

The Institute of Lithuanian Literature and Folklore

On Soviet Humanism: The Ethos of “Kindness” in Late Soviet Lithuanian Literature

Discussion

11.00—11.30

Coffee break



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11.30—11.45	Šarūnė Petkevičiūtė Vilnius University <i>Language Attitudes towards Lithuanian Non-Suffixed Female Surnames Ending with “-ė”</i> (English)	Marta Selma Grünvald Kirke Rumvolt University of Tartu <i>Some Remarks on Estonian Instapoetry</i> (English)	Monika Ložytė Vilnius University <i>Deconstruction in Lithuanian Literary Criticism: Is the Auto-deconstruction of a Literary Text Possible?</i> (English)	Julia A. Korsakaitė Vilnius University <i>Teachers in Lithuania: Between Enthusiasm and Burnout</i> (English)
11.45—12.00	Aušrinė Kristanaitytė Vilnius University <i>Linguistic Attitudes towards Lithuanian Sign Language</i> (English)	Meda Žukaitė Vilnius University <i>Specificity of the Titles of Informal Lithuanian Youth Self-Published Newspapers — (Fan) zines</i> (English)	Youxin (Luna) Wang University of Tartu <i>Can We Imagine More Alternatives?: Discussion between Cosmotechnics and Semiosphere</i> (English)	Sandis Sprudzāns Riga Technical University / Rezekne Academy <i>Development of Civic Participation Competences and Literacy in History Education for Basic School in Grade 9 Students: The Case of Latvia</i> (English)
12.00—12.15	Gabriela Socha Vilnius University <i>„Kas čia per” Construction Analysis in Lithuanian</i> (Lithuanian)	Liucija Širkaitė Vilnius University <i>Global Fashion and Local Meanings: The Case of ELLE Lithuania, a Women’s Fashion and Lifestyle Magazine</i> (English)	Arčis Auštras Vilnius University <i>Between Mother and Rebel: Paula Meehan’s Eco-Feminist Mary as an Alternative to the Baltic Virgin</i> (English)	Semjon Fedun Tallinn University <i>Gamification in Latvian Grammar Acquisition: Case System, Numeral Agreement and Verb Aspect after the 2025/2026 Reform</i> (Latvian)

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12.15—12.30	Laura Sakalauskaitė Vilnius University <i>The Structure of Male Surnames in the Parish of Ramygala (Based on Data from the 1920s)</i> (English)	Gerda Paparytė Vilnius University <i>The Role of Cultural Encyclopaedia in Lithuanian Meme Culture: An Ecoian Semiotic Perspective</i> (Lithuanian)	Emma Lotta Lõhmus University of Tartu <i>The Eternal Return of Aesthetic Events in the Works of Andrei Ivanov</i> (English)	Aadi Parhomenko Dr. Fr. R. Kreutzwald Memorial Museum / University of Tartu <i>Friedrich Reinhold Kreutzwald's Views on the Issue of Estonian Peasant Schools</i> (English)
12.30—12.45		Andrėja Frukacz Vilnius University <i>The Androgynous Figure of the Female Protagonist in Karolis Kaupinis's Film Hunger Strike Breakfast</i> (English)	Justina Katauskaitė Vilnius University <i>Hermeneutic Time in the Poetry of Vytautas P. Bložė</i> (Lithuanian)	
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14.00—14.15	Gustė Kupstaitė Vilnius University <i>The Use of Request Speech Act Strategies in Lithuanian by Students Learning Lithuanian as a Foreign Language</i> (Lithuanian)	Danielė Ramanauskaitė Vilnius University <i>Mapping Akvilina Cicėnaitė's Novel A Dictionary of the English Language</i> (English)	Madli Vanamölder University of Tartu <i>Inventing Beginnings: The Politics of Institutional Origins in Twentieth-Century Europe</i> (English)	Olga Gontarska University of Warsaw <i>Multicultural History of Latgale: Conceptual and Methodological Frameworks</i> (English)
14.15—14.30	Dominyka Eidukevičiūtė Vilnius University <i>Saussure's Law and Its Inactivity in Modern Spoken Lithuanian: Disyllabic Nominals</i> (English)	Mantvydas Samsanavičius Vilnius University <i>A Comparative Study of War Imagery in Maksym Kryvtsov's Eilėraščiai iš šaudymo angos and Marius Burokas's Seismografas</i> (Lithuanian)	Fiona Jõesuu University of Tartu <i>Estonian-Ukrainian Relations, 1993—1996: Diplomatic Perspectives and Foreign Policy Challenges</i> (Estonian)	Namejs Kalniņš University of Latvia / Museum of the History of Riga and Navigation <i>Deformations of the Body as a Cause for Social Marginalization in Medieval Livonian Society</i> (English)
14.30—14.45	Gabrielė Brazaitytė Vilnius University <i>The Phonological Regularities of Clipping in Lithuanian</i> (English)	Marta Veismane University of Latvia <i>Landscape Impressions in Judita Vaičiūnaitė's Poetry Collection Zemei pieskaroties (Žemės prisilietus)</i> (Latvian)	Brian Wiggins University of Tartu <i>Psychological Asymmetry in Estonia's Ethnic Politics</i> (English)	Antra Kozlova University of Latvia / Museum of the History of Riga and Navigation <i>Military Financing and Monetary Policy of the Great Northern War in the Swedish Baltic Region and Its Impact on the Territory of Present-day Latvia in the First Quarter of the 18th Century</i> (English)

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14.45—15.00	Sofiya Smurova Masaryk University <i>From Reflexive Verbs to Nouns: A Baltic Perspective on Nominalization</i> (English)	Vaiva Barzdaitienė Vilnius University <i>Against Hierarchy: Angels, People and Animals in Contemporary Lithuanian Poetry</i> (English)	Jan Chraplak Adam Mickiewicz University <i>Relations between the Baltic Assembly and the Nordic Council: Between Inspiration and Cooperation</i> (English)	Justine Barkova University of Latvia / Museum of the History of Riga and Navigation <i>Social Identity and Corporate Affiliation of the Riga Rope-Makers' Guild: Aspects of Symbolic Communication, from the Second Half of the Seventeenth Century to the Second Half of the Nineteenth Century</i> (English)
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15.45—16.00	Ana Marić University of Tartu <i>Motifs of Patriotism and Estonia in Poetry of Juhan Liiv</i> (Estonian)	Paula Lāce The Institute of Literature, Folklore and Art of the University of Latvia / Vilnius University <i>Marija Pēkšēna: The First Latvian Woman Playwright</i> (Lithuanian)	Andromeda Laskauskaitė Vilnius University <i>A Peek into the Writer's Journal: The Fine Line between Exogenesis and Endogenesis</i> (English)
16.00—16.15	Lena Kurg University of Tartu <i>On the Search for a Story of Home in Late Soviet Estonia</i> (English)	Dominykas Kazlauskas Vilnius University <i>Gogol's Khlestakov Visits Lithuania: Satire in the Playwriting of the Vilkolakis Theatre (1920—1925)</i> (Lithuanian)	Greta Leigaitė Vilnius University <i>Autobiography in the Graphic Novel Gertrude: the Graphic Diary of Generation Y by Gerda Jord</i> (English)
16.15—16.30	Juuli Teder University of Tartu <i>The Reception of Michel de Montaigne's Essays in Estonia</i> (English)	Julija Mažonaitė Vilnius University <i>When "Authentic" Means Processed Differently: Deconstructing the Myths Behind the Editing of Žemaitė</i> (English)	Bernadeta Skirgalaitė Vilnius University <i>Creation of Neologisms: a Reaction to the Changing World</i> (Lithuanian)

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16.45—17.00	Mark Sima Eötvös Loránd University <i>The Construction of the National Memory of the Middle Ages in Lithuania and Hungary</i> (Lithuanian)	Deimantė Jančiūnaitė Vilnius University <i>Not a Ferret, but a Hedgehog: Editor, His Readers, and the Making of Ežys (1907—1909)</i> (English)	Gabrielė Repečkaitė Vilnius University <i>Georg Elger's Translations of Pericopes</i> (Lithuanian)
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