

*"To EU, or not to EU, this is the question"*  
*The Baltic Hamlet*

## **ECMI Baltic Seminar 1998**

### **"Minorities and Majorities in Estonia: Problems of Integration at the Threshold of the EU"**

Flensburg, Germany, and Aabenraa, Denmark, 22 – 25 May 1998

## **Programme**

### **Friday, 22 May 1998**

- 15:25           Arrival of participants at Sønderborg airport with the flight QI 107 from Copenhagen
- 16:00           Bus transfer from Sønderborg airport to Højskolen Østersøen in Aabenraa, Denmark
- 16:30           Check-in at: Højskolen Østersøen, Flensborvej 48-50, DK 6200 Aabenraa, Tel.: +45-74-62-47-00, Fax: +45-74-62-47-01  
E-mail: adm@hojoster.dk , Internet: www.hojoster.dk
- 18:00           Reception in the Town Hall of Aabenraa.  
*Greetings by Mr. Torben Hølding on behalf of the City Council of Aabenraa*
- 19:00           Dinner in the restaurant of the Hotel Europa, H.P. Hanssens Gade 10, Aabenraa.  
*Greetings by Dr. Stefan Troebst, Director of ECMI*

Overnight stay at Højskolen Østersøen

### **Saturday, 23 May 1998**

- 7:30            Breakfast at Højskolen Østersøen
- 8:30            Bus transfer of the participants to Flensburg, Germany
- 9:30            Opening of the seminar in ECMI, Schiffbrücke 12 (Kompagnietor Building)  
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Fax +49 (0) 461-14 14 9- 19, E-mail: info@ecmi.de  
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- 10:00           First Plenary Session starts in ECMI

***Chairperson: Troebst, Stefan, Dr., Director of ECMI, Germany***

Perspectives of Estonia's National Integration Policy  
***Andra Veidemann Estonian Minister of Interethnic Relations***

Social and Legal Problems of Integration in Estonia

**Aleksei Semjonov** Director of Human Rights Legal Information Centre,  
Tallinn

11:00 - 11:30

Coffee

The Applicability of Western Theories on Nation-building and Ethnic  
Integration to Post-Communist Realities in Eastern Europe

**Pål Kolstø**, Professor of Oslo University

Discussion

13:00

First Plenary Session ends

13:00 - 14:00

Lunch (Restaurant Borgerforeningen, 24937 Flensburg, Holm 17, phone:  
0461-23385)

14:30

Reception in the Town Hall of Flensburg, Rathausplatz 1  
*Greetings by Mr Olaf-Cord Dielewicz,*  
*Oberbürgermeister der Stadt Flensburg*

15:00

Sightseeing in Flensburg

16:00 -17:15

A cruise on the „Forelle“ on Flensburgs Fjord

19:30

Dinner (Restaurant Eckener Haus, Norderstraße 8, 24939 Flensburg,  
phone: 180026)

*After-dinner speech by Dr Jørgen Kühl, Director of the Museum in  
Dannewerk, Germany, „From Conflict to Co-existence: Majorities and  
Minorities in the Danish-German Border Region“*

22:30

Bus transfer of participants to Højskolen Østersøen, Aabenraa.

Overnight stay in Højskolen Østersøen

### Sunday, 24 May 1998

8:30

Breakfast in Højskolen Østersøen

9:30

Second Plenary Session starts in Højskolen Østersøen

**Chairperson: Pål Kolstø**, Professor of Oslo University

Cultural Adjustment of Russians in Estonian Society: Role of Education  
and Media

**Marju Lauristin**, Professor of Tartu University, Former Minister of Social  
Affairs

National Integration and Estonian System of Education

**Meelis Kond**, Section Head, Estonian Ministry of Education

The Estonian Media and Integration

**Raivo Vetik**, Director of the Institute of International and Social Studies,  
Tallinn

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee

Media as Instrument of National Integration

**Aleksandr Šegedin**, Political observer of Estonia newspaper, Tallinn

Ethnically Divided Society and Privatisation in Estonia

**Erik Andre Andersen, Dr.**, Copenhagen Peace Research Institute, Denmark

Discussion

13:00 Second Plenary Session ends

13:15 Lunch in Højskolen Østersøen

15:00 Third Plenary Session starts in Højskolen Østersøen

**Chairperson: Marju Lauristin**, Professor of Tartu University

National Integration in Ida-Virumaa

**Aleksander Dushman**, Main Expert on Interethnic Relations of Ida-Viru County Government, Member of the Presidential Roundtable on Minorities

Multiple Inclusion of Minorities: Challenge to Estonia's National Integration

**Klara Hallik**, Senior researcher of the Legal Information Centre for Human Rights and of the Institute of International and Social Studies, Tallinn, Former Estonian Minister of Interethnic Relations

16:30 - 17:00 Coffee

From Conflict to Integration

**Hanne-Margret Birckenbach, Dr.**, Schleswig-Holstein Institute of Peace Research, Kiel

The Role of Human Rights and Group Accommodation in the Recognition and Incorporation of Estonia in the International Community

**Maria Lundberg, Dr.**, Researcher, Norwegian Institute of Human Rights

Discussion

18:30 Third Plenary Session ends

19:30 Dinner in the restaurant *Sdr. Hostrup Kro*, Østergade 21, Aabenraa  
Greetings by Mr **Ingo Radcke**, Consul General of Germany in Aabenraa

Overnight stay in Højskolen Østersøen

### Monday, 25 May 1998

8:30 Breakfast in Højskolen Østersøen

9:30 Closing Plenary Session starts in Højskolen Østersøen

**Chairperson: Rein Müllerson, Professor, University of London**

Processes of Integration and Estonian Constitution

**Tiit Käbin, Estonian MP, Chairman of the Constitutional Committee of the Riigikogu**

Majority-Minority Integration in Latvia: Prospects and Comparisons

**Boris Tsilevich, Member of the City Council of Riga, Latvia**

Citizenship and the Process of Integration

**Sergei Ivanov, Estonian MP, Member of Foreign Affairs Committee of the Riigikogu, Member of the Presidential Roundtable on Minorities**

11:00 - 11:30

Coffee

The Estonian citizenship legislation and its conformity with International Law

**Carmen Thiele, Dr., University of Frankfurt/Oder**

General Discussion

Final Remarks of the General Rapporteur

**Christian Wellmann, Dr, Schleswig-Holstein Institute of Peace Research, Kiel**

13:00

Closing of the Seminar

13:30

Lunch in Højskolen Østersøen

15:00

Departure of the participants from Højskolen Østersøen to Sønderborg airport

16:15

flight QI 110 leaves Sønderborg for Copenhagen

18:15

flight QI 112 leaves Sønderborg for Copenhagen