



**MINORITIES AND MAJORITIES IN ESTONIA: PROBLEMS OF INTEGRATION WITHIN A
BROADER EUROPEAN CONTEXT**

International Seminar

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Tallinn, Estonia, 15-16 November 2002
Pirita Hotel Conference Centre
(Regati boulevard 1, Pannoo Hall)

AGENDA

10.00 – 17.45, Friday, 15 November 2002

Moderator – Mr. Priit Järve, European Centre for Minority Issues, Germany

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| 9.00-10.00 | Registration of participants |
| 10.00-10.10 | Opening of the Seminar. Welcome speech by Mr. Aleksei Semjonov, LICHR |
| 10.10-10.40 | <i>Minority Rights Standards and Recent Developments in the OSCE Region</i>
Ms. Zdenka Machnyikova, OSCE HCNM Office |
| 10.40-11.10 | <i>The Right to Use Minority Language</i>
Ms. Carmen Thiele, European University Viadrina, Germany |
| 11.10-11.40 | Questions and Discussion |
| 11.40-12.10 | Coffee brake |
| 12.10-12.40 | <i>The Idea of Minority Protection in the Current Nationalities Policy in Russia</i>
Mr. Alexander Ossipov, Human Rights Centre <i>Memorial</i> , Russia |
| 12.40-13.10 | Questions and Discussion |
| 13.10-14.10 | Lunch |
| 14.10-14.40 | <i>Conflict Prevention Experience and Minority Protection in Lithuania</i>
Mr. Vitautas Toleikis, Lithuanian Centre for Human Rights |
| 14.40-15.10 | <i>Low Profile Diplomacy of International Community and Minority Situation in Estonia and Latvia</i>
Mr. Vadim Poleshchuk, LICHR, Estonia |
| 15.10-15.25 | Questions |
| 15.25-15.55 | Coffee brake |
| 15.55-17.30 | General Discussion |
| 17.30-17.45 | Conclusions by the Moderator |

10.00 – 17.10, Saturday, 16 November 2002

Moderator – Mr. Boris Tsilevich, MP, member of PACE, Latvia

- 10.00-10.10 Welcome speech by moderator
- 10.10-10.40 ***Implementation of the Estonian State Integration Program: Critical Review***
Ms. Klara Hallik, Institute of International and Social Studies, Estonia
- 10.40-11.10 ***Baltic Minorities Challenges and EU Accession Process***
Mr. Priit Järve, European Centre for Minority Issues, Germany
- 11.10-12.10 Questions and Discussion
- 12.10-13.10 Lunch
- 13.10-13.40 ***Minority Rights: Who are the Holders?***
Mr. Boris Tsilevich, MP, member of PACE, Latvia
- 13.40-14.10 ***Political Participation of Minorities as a Key Factor of Society Integration***
Mr. Aleksei Semjonov, LICHR, Estonia
- 14.10-15.10 Questions and Discussion
- 15.10-15.40 Coffee Brake
- 15.40-17.00 General Discussion
- 17.00-17.10 Conclusions by the Moderator