

Nordic-Baltic Forum on

“Future Demographic Challenges in the Sustainable Welfare Society”

24 October 2007, at 9:00 – 13:00

Venue: Hotel Olympia Omega Hall, Liivalaia 33, Tallinn, Estonia

Moderator: **Marica Lillemets**, Chairperson of the Estonian Journalist Union EAL

8:30 Registration and coffee

9:00 Opening of the seminar
Liisa Hyssälä, Minister of Social Affairs and Health, Finland
Tryggvi Felixson, Head of Department for Environment and Resources, Nordic Council of Ministers: **Nordic-Baltic Cooperation on Sustainable Development**

9:30 Expert presentations on demography and welfare issues:
Allan Puur, Senior Researcher, Estonian Interuniversity Population Research Centre: **Challenges of Contemporary Population Development: Baltic Countries in Comparative Perspective**

10:00 **Max Petzold**, Docent, Nordic School of Public Health:
Demographic Trends Challenging the Nordic Welfare Societies

10:20 **Ann-Zofie Duvander**, Researcher and Associate Professor, University of Stockholm and the Swedish National Social Insurance Agency,
Family Policy in the Swedish Welfare Society: Focus on Childcare and Fertility

10:40 Coffee break

11:00 Ministerial statements:
Jaanus Tamkivi, Minister for the Environment, Estonia:
The Challenge of Sustainable Development

11:15 **Liisa Hyssälä**, Minister of Social Affairs and Health, Finland:
Ageing - a Challenge for Sustainable Development

11:30 **Kristina Täht**, Adviser to Minister for Population and Ethnic Affairs, Estonia: **Are we Ready for the Challenges Taking Place within the Next Decade?**

11:45 **Johan Tiedemann**, State Secretary, Ministry of Health and Social Affairs, Sweden: **Patterns Have to Change - The Swedish Challenge**

12:00 **Maret Maripuu**, Minister of Social Affairs, Estonia: **Demographical Changes and New Challenges in Estonia**

12:20 Panel discussion and conclusions

13:00 Lunch

The official languages of the Forum are English and Estonian.