**BALTIC WORKSHOP ON SCAR AND BIOECONOMY STRATEGIES,
4 - 5 April 2019, Riga**

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| **Thursday April 4, Hotel Mercure Riga Centrum** |
|  | Arrival |
| 16:30 | **Registration and Welcome**  |
| 17:00 | **Session 1: Introductions and Keynote*** Welcome by hosting organiser **Baiba Rivza**, Latvia Academy of Sciences
* Welcome speech by Latvian Minister of Agriculture **Kaspars Gerhards** (TBC)
* Introduction to meeting by co-organiser **Christine Bunthof**, SCAR CASA
* Key note : Introduction on the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) and on European bioeconomy policy - **Liutauras Guobys**, SCAR Secretariat EC RTD followed by Q&A
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| 18:30 | Walk together to the restaurant |
| 19:00 | Dinner at restaurant “FOREST” Raiņa bulvāris 21, Rīga, LV-1050 |
| **Friday April 5, Latvia Academy of Sciences, Academy square 1** |
| 8:30 | Morning coffee |
| 9:00  | **Session 2: SCAR Working Groups, SCAR Foresight, and SCAR CASA** (moderator: Christine Bunthof)* Brief introductions of CWG on Animal Health and Welfare, SWG Fish (TBC), and ARCH (TBC) by moderator
* AKIS – **Jean-Marc Chourot**
* ARCH – working group member from a Baltic country (TBC)
* Bioeconomy Strategic Working Group - **Alexandros Theodoris**
* Fish – **Rosanne Metaal** (TBC) OR Baltic member of SCAR Fish
* Forest - **Martin Greimel**, Austrian Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism
* Food Systems – Working group member from Lithuania (TBC)
* CWG on Sustainable Animal Production **– Elke Saggau** on behalf of Bernhard Polten
* SCAR Foresight – **Elke Saggau**
* CASA – Coordination & Support Action for SCAR – **Rolf Stratmann**, CASA
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| 10:30 | Coffee break |
| 11:00  | **Session 3: Bioeconomy Strategies in Baltic countries: Context and Scope** (moderator prof. Baiba Rivza) * Latvia – prof. **Irina Pilvere**, Rector of Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technology
* Lithuania – **Dalia Miniataite** (Lithuanian Ministry of Agriculture)
* Estonia – **Helena Pärenson** (Ministry of Rural Affairs of the Republic of Estonia)
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| 11:45 | **Session 4: Research Programming** (moderator prof. Baiba Rivza) * The making of Strategic Research Agendas - **Christine Bunthof**, CASA
* EU Framework Programmes for Research and Innovation (H2020, HE) - **Janis Ancans** (Coordinator of Horizon 2020 National Contact Point of Latvia)
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| 12:15 | Lunch break  |
| 13:15 | **Session 5: Poster session**Pitch presentations by researchers and PhD students in the poster display room  |
| 13:45 | **Session 6: Needs, gaps and opportunities for Baltic Bioeconomy** (moderator TBC (SCAR delegate EE?)* Position of Latvian Ministry of Agriculture - **Nabels–Sneiders** Latvian Ministry of Agriculture
* Building International Relationships as part of developing the Bioeconomy, case example Canada –**Murray McLaughlin**
* Case example of bioeconomy strategy : Turkey (Canan or Mehmet)
* Education on Bioeconomy - **Baiba Rivza, Daina Vasilevska**
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| 14:45 | **Conclusions and recommendation*** Reflection on workshop and outcomes – **Jean-Marc Chourot**, CASA
* Final conclusions and closing of meeting - **Baiba Rivza**
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| 15:00 | End of Meeting |