**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 |
| 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 |
| 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) |
| 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) |
| 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** |
| 14:45 | **Conclusions and recommendation**   * Reflection on workshop and outcomes – **Jean-Marc Chourot**, CASA * Final conclusions and closing of meeting - **Baiba Rivza** |
| 15:00 | End of Meeting |