

Baltic Science Network: Press Release for the BSN Website A Busy Winter Season



Final months of the Baltic Science Network project phase have started with most attention paid to the finalisation of the Work Packages. Final touches are being added to the last publications and promotional materials ahead of the Brussels event and the Baltic Science Network Closing Conference. Both events will facilitate continuous dissemination of the Network's results and key findings.

On 26 – 27 September 2018, the Baltic Science Network (BSN) Steering Committee meeting took place in Turku and Mariehamn. Since this is [not the first BSN gathering in Turku](#), it was a good occasion to take a look from a comparative perspective on the progress achieved in the implementation of the project's milestones. If previous Turku meeting facilitated initial discussions on priority areas, then this time BSN members were introduced to the prioritised mobility tools. The goal is to implement a pilot programme with the selected mobility instruments during the envisaged extension stage of the Baltic Science Network. The upcoming months will be dedicated to design a pilot programme and plan the implementation of the agreed pilot.

This was the last meeting before the **Brussels conference** titled "[The Baltic Sea Region – A Science Powerhouse](#)". The preparations are running smoothly and the registration is [open](#). The BSN is delighted that such high-ranking speakers as **Eva Gumbel**, Deputy Minister of

Science, Research and Equalities of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, and **Jurgita Petrauskienė**, Lithuanian Minister of Education and Science, have confirmed their engagement. Many more projects and initiatives from across the Baltic Sea Region and Europe are joining the BSN and Baltic TRAM facilitated discussions either among the members of the audience or contributing to the exhibition organised next to the conference stage at Solvay Library. The exhibition area will offer further insights into a multitude of research initiatives spanning across a wide spectrum of scientific domains, for example, [CalipsoPlus](#) being one of them.

Likewise, the BSN members were informed about the [Riga preparatory meeting](#) and progress achieved in the planning of the BSN Closing conference. This public gathering will be taking place on 22 February 2018 at the Academic Centre of the University of Latvia.

The BSN, as a transnational project of a considerable thematic scope, is also preparing an overview of its suggested "dos and don'ts". This listing will be not only of immediate importance to the research cooperation field. It will also offer some advice how to tailor fully fledged macro-regional initiative and its smooth implementation phases. Readers interested in familiarising with this upcoming publication are invited to explore the BSN website during the upcoming months.



Photos of the gathering are accessible on the CBSS album "[Baltic Science Network meeting](#)".