

Small States in Europe: Opportunities and Challenges
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**SMALL STATES:
ADVANCING INTERNATIONAL STATUS THROUGH SMART GOVERNANCE**

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- 9.30 – 10.00** Registration and coffee
- 10.00 – 10.15** **Welcoming addresses**
Tiina Randma-Liiv, Ragnar Nurkse School of Innovation and Governance, TUT
Pia Hansson, Director, Center for Small State Studies, University of Iceland
- 10.15 – 11.00** **Opening speech**
Kaja Kallas, Member of European Parliament (Estonia)
- 11.00 – 11.45** **The Normative Power of Nordic Countries**
Anders Wivel, University of Copenhagen, Denmark
- 11.45 – 12.30** **Status and Foreign Policies of Small States: the Case of Norway**
Benjamin de Carvalho and Halvard Leira, Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI)
- 12.30 – 13.30** Lunch
- 13.30 – 15.00** **Seeking status through innovative policies: case studies**
- Governing the Small State Presidency of the EU: the Case of Latvia**
Zanda Kalnina-Lukaševica, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvia
- The Estonian E-Residence Program: Growing from 1 to 10 million**
Siim Sikkut, Adviser, Government Strategy Unit, Estonia
- Mauritius – the World’s First Fully-Fledged Cyber State?**
Ian Taylor, University of St. Andrews, Scotland
- 15.00 – 15.15** Coffee break
- 15.15 – 16.30** **Final discussion: “How Do Little Frogs Fly? Small States in the International System”**
- Baldur Thorhallsson, University of Iceland
- Raimundas Karoblis, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, Lithuania
- Lauri Mälksoo, Professor of International Law at the University of Tartu; Executive Director of the Estonian Foreign Policy Institute
- 16.30** Farewell coffee and cake hosted by Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Sulev Mäeltsemees