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

Thursday April 4, Hotel Mercure Riga Centrum	
	Arrival
16:30	<b>Registration and Welcome</b>
17:00	<b>Session 1: Introductions and Keynote</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome by hosting organiser <b>Baiba Rivza</b>, Latvia Academy of Sciences</li> <li>• Welcome speech by Latvian Minister of Agriculture <b>Kaspars Gerhards</b> (TBC)</li> <li>• Introduction to meeting by co-organiser <b>Christine Bunthof</b>, SCAR CASA</li> <li>• Key note : Introduction on the Standing Committee on Agricultural Research (SCAR) and on European bioeconomy policy - <b>Liutauras Guobys</b>, SCAR Secretariat EC RTD followed by Q&amp;A</li> </ul>
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	<b>Session 2: SCAR Working Groups, SCAR Foresight, and SCAR CASA</b> (moderator: Christine Bunthof) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief introductions of CWG on Animal Health and Welfare, SWG Fish (TBC), and ARCH (TBC) by moderator</li> <li>• AKIS – <b>Jean-Marc Chourot</b></li> <li>• ARCH – working group member from a Baltic country (TBC)</li> <li>• Bioeconomy Strategic Working Group - <b>Alexandros Theodoris</b></li> <li>• Fish – <b>Rosanne Metaal</b> (TBC) OR Baltic member of SCAR Fish</li> <li>• Forest - <b>Martin Greimel</b>, Austrian Federal Ministry for Sustainability and Tourism</li> <li>• Food Systems – Working group member from Lithuania (TBC)</li> <li>• CWG on Sustainable Animal Production – <b>Elke Saggau</b> on behalf of Bernhard Polten</li> <li>• SCAR Foresight – <b>Elke Saggau</b></li> <li>• CASA – Coordination &amp; Support Action for SCAR – <b>Rolf Stratmann</b>, CASA</li> </ul>
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	<b>Session 3: Bioeconomy Strategies in Baltic countries: Context and Scope</b> (moderator prof. Baiba Rivza) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Latvia – prof. <b>Irina Pilvere</b>, Rector of Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technology</li> <li>• Lithuania – <b>Dalia Miniataite</b> (Lithuanian Ministry of Agriculture)</li> <li>• Estonia – <b>Helena Pärenson</b> (Ministry of Rural Affairs of the Republic of Estonia)</li> </ul>
11:45	<b>Session 4: Research Programming</b> (moderator prof. Baiba Rivza) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The making of Strategic Research Agendas - <b>Christine Bunthof</b>, CASA</li> <li>• EU Framework Programmes for Research and Innovation (H2020, HE) - <b>Janis Ancans</b> (Coordinator of Horizon 2020 National Contact Point of Latvia)</li> </ul>
12:15	Lunch break
13:15	<b>Session 5: Poster session</b> Pitch presentations by researchers and PhD students in the poster display room
13:45	<b>Session 6: Needs, gaps and opportunities for Baltic Bioeconomy</b> (moderator TBC (SCAR delegate EE?)) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Position of Latvian Ministry of Agriculture - <b>Nabels-Sneiders</b> Latvian Ministry of Agriculture</li> <li>• Building International Relationships as part of developing the Bioeconomy, case example Canada –<b>Murray McLaughlin</b></li> <li>• Case example of bioeconomy strategy : Turkey (Canan or Mehmet)</li> <li>• Education on Bioeconomy - <b>Baiba Rivza, Daina Vasilevska</b></li> </ul>
14:45	<b>Conclusions and recommendation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reflection on workshop and outcomes – <b>Jean-Marc Chourot</b>, CASA</li> <li>• Final conclusions and closing of meeting - <b>Baiba Rivza</b></li> </ul>
15:00	End of Meeting