



9TH BALTIC HOUSING CONFERENCE

Sustainable living environment: best practices in housing

14 September 2017, 10:00-17:00
Rakvere, Estonia
Rakvere Smart House (Lai str 20, Rakvere)

*The event takes place under the auspices of
the Estonian Presidency of the Council of the European Union.*

*The conference is organized by the Estonian Union of Co-operative Housing Associations
in cooperation with HOUSING EUROPE – The Federation for Public, Cooperative and Social Housing.*

The 9th Baltic housing conference provides space for discussions on best practice in the EU for improving the living environment. It will introduce Estonian experiences with energy-efficiency in multi-apartment buildings. Another aim is to enhance cooperation between housing organisations from the EU and countries such as Ukraine and Belarus.

The conference will focus on the possibilities for citizens to contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and help fulfil the targets of the 2030 climate and energy framework by reducing the energy consumption of buildings. The conference declaration of participating housing organisations will define the specific concerns of the sector and contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

On the following day, there will be a study visit to Rakvere, introducing the best examples of how the energy efficiency of buildings is being improved and greenhouse gas emissions reduced in the area.

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AGENDA*

- 9:30 Registration & morning coffee
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Opening and welcome speeches**
- *The Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications*
 - *Andres Jaadla, Chairman of the Board, Estonian Union of Co-operative Housing Associations*
- 10:30 – 11:00 **Keynote speech 1: Energy efficiency and sustainability – challenges for housing sector in Europe today**
Cédric Van Styvendael, President of HOUSING EUROPE (invited)
- 11:00 – 11:30 **Keynote speech 2: Energy efficiency and usage of renewable energy in multi-apartment buildings – Estonian experiences in European context and prospects for further development**
Jarek Kurnitski, Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering and Architecture, Tallinn University of Technology
- 11:30 – 12:30 Lunch
- 12:30 – 14:00 **Panel 1: Creating sustainable living environment – main barriers and opportunities for housing associations and tenants**
- Invited speakers:*
- *GERMANY – GdW, the Federal Union of German Housing and Real Estate Associations*
 - *BULGARIA – CAC, Union of Homeowners Associations*
 - *BELARUS – International Association of Real Estate Management*
 - *LITHUANIA – Lithuanian Association of Housing Organisations*
- 14:00 – 15:00 Coffee break

*Changes may occur





15:00 – 16:30	Panel 2: How to achieve energy efficiency: working solutions, best practices and role of housing organizations
	<i>Invited speakers:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SWEDEN – HSB, Swedish Cooperative Housing Association• LATVIA – Latvian Union of Apartment Associations• ESTONIA – Estonian Union of Co-operative Housing Associations• UKRAINE – Centre “Krug” in Zaporozhye
16:30 – 17:00	Conference conclusions and approval of the joint declaration of housing organizations
17:00 – 18:00	Tour in Rakvere Smart House
19:30	Dinner in Rakvere Castle (with invitations)

On the following day

STUDY VISIT

Energy-efficient solutions for buildings

15 September 2017, 10:00-14:00, Rakvere

PROGRAM

Rakvere Rohuaia kindergarten

Reconstruction of the nursery building was finished in 2015, energy class A, 92 kWh/(m²a)

Seminar street – renovation of residential buildings and reconstruction of public space

Seminar street is the most densely populated area in the city. Most of the typical apartment buildings, which are the legacy of the soviet regime, are located along the street. Reconstruction was carried out in the area during last years, rising the level of energy efficiency in the residential buildings and supporting sustainability of the urban living environment.

Rakvere Distillery

The spirit distillery uses only renewable energy – both electricity and heat are produced from wood waste.





REGISTRATION AND PRACTICALITIES:

PARTICIPATION

Participation at the conference and study visit is free of charge but registration is required. Registration form for English-speaking participants: [REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Info & contact: +372 55 585 701 or info@ekyl.ee

GETTING TO THE VENUE

Rakvere

9th Baltic Housing Conference will take place in Rakvere, Estonia's fifth largest city and the county seat of West-Viru County, with distance of 100 km from Tallinn.

You can travel from Tallinn to Rakvere by bus (Tickets www.tpilet.ee/en) or by train (Tickets www.elron.ee/en/) but **you are recommended to use bus transportation between Tallinn-Rakvere-Tallinn organised by the conference team.**

For booking a place in the conference bus, please add your request to the registration form or send by e-mail to info@ekyl.ee. Please inform us on your travel itinerary and we will send you the information about the transportation schedule to Rakvere (from Tallinn Airport or Port of Tallinn) and back to Tallinn. The trip between Tallinn and Rakvere takes 1 hour.

Rakvere Smart House

The conference venue – Rakvere Smart House – is situated in the town centre, [Lai str 20](#).

Conference venue – Rakvere Smart House – it is the first public nearly-zero-energy building in Estonia that utilizes different building automation technologies and has been engineered from start to finish using BIM methodology. Different sustainable energy sources, like solar panels and geothermal heating pumps are used for the heating of the building.





ACCOMMODATION

AQVA Hotel

The easiest way is to book your room in the AQVA Hotel & Spa next to the conference venue – Rakvere Smart House. Book your accommodation in advance as the hotel is running at its full capacity and only a limited number of rooms is available for guests. Friendly rate applies for the 9th Baltic Housing Conference delegates.

Standard double room for two persons: 88€/night
Standard double room for one person: 77€/night
Rate includes full buffet breakfast and use of leisure center.

Booking:

Promotional code for friendly rate: **Eesti Korteriuhistute Liit**

Booking can be made only by e-mail sales@aqvahotels.ee, info@aqvahotels.ee
or by phone +372 326 0014, +372 326 0005

Art Hotell

You can book your room also in the Art Hotell, only some steps from the conference venue – Rakvere Smart House. Book your accommodation in advance as the hotel is running at its full capacity and only a limited number of rooms is available for guests.

Standard double room for two persons: 60€/night
Standard double room for one person: 42€/night
Standard triple room: 75€/ night

Booking:

Booking can be made only by e-mail hotell@artcafe.ee
or by phone +372 32 32 060

AND

There are plenty of other excellent accommodation opportunities in Rakvere, almost all in walking distance from the conference venue – Rakvere Smart House.

Some examples:

Hotell Wesenberg (Tallinna 25)

Room for two persons – 66€/night
Room for one person – 46€/ night





Booking: <http://www.wesenbergh.ee/broneeri>
Tel. +372 32 23 480, GSM: +372 51 45 202

Katariina Guesthouse (Pikk 3)

Room for two persons – 52€/night
Room for one person – 42€/ night

Rate includes breakfast.

Booking: info@katariina.ee and by phone +372 32 23 943

Conference Info & Contact: info@ekyl.ee or phone (372) 55 585 701

Who we are: [Estonian Union of Co-operative Housing Associations](#)



The event is organized by the Estonian Union of Co-operative Housing Associations (EKYL). EKYL is an independent non-profit organization with more than 1400 members – co-operative housing associations/ apartment associations all over Estonia. EKYL is a member of the European Federation of Public, Cooperative & Social Housing – [Housing Europe](#).

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