

**EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS FOR
LANGUAGE
(EFNIL)**

***ANNUAL CONFERENCE
EUROPEAN AND NATIONAL LANGUAGE POLICIES
12-13 November 2007, Riga***

PROGRAMME

11 November (Sunday)

Arrival of participants in Riga (accommodation at the hotels 'Gutenbergs' and 'Riga').

17.00 Meeting of the Executive Committee (hotel 'Gutenbergs.')

18.00 Participation in the Candle ceremony, on the bank of the River Daugava (optional: meet in the lobby of the hotel 'Riga' at 17.45)

19.00 Informal reception for participants at the Palm Garden restaurant, hotel 'Riga'.

12 November (Monday).

Venue: Melngalvju nams (Blackheads House, Rātslaukums 6).

9.00-10.00 Registration at Blackheads House.

10.00-11.30 Opening session: moderator Ina Druviete (Latvia).

- Opening address by Prof. Gerhard Stickel, president of EFNIL.
- Special address by Valdis Zatlers, President of the Republic of Latvia
- Address by Johan Häggman, representative of the Commissioner for Multilingualism
- Address by Prof. Jānis Valdmanis, Chair of the Organizing Committee

- Keynote speech by Prof. Ulrich Ammon (Germany): *Über die Dilemmata jeglicher EU-Sprachenpolitik.*

11.30-12.00 Coffee break

12. 00-14.00 Working session 1: moderator Sabine Kirchmeier-Andersen (Denmark).

- Introductory lecture by Prof. Mart Rannut (Estonia): *Language Policies in Europe: Types and Threats*
- Case studies:
 1. Vassiliki Dendrinou (Greece)
 2. Marta Fisher (Hungary)
 3. Ina Druviete (Latvia)

4. Jean-François Baldi (France)
5. Fernanda Barrocas (Portugal)

14.00-16.00 Lunch: 'Kalku vārti' restaurant

16.00-18.00 Working Session 2: moderator John Simpson (United Kingdom)

- Introductory lecture by Prof. Augusto Carli (Italy): *La necessita' di aggiornare il concetto di "vitalita' linguistica" sull'esempio delle lingue minoritarie e lingue meno usate*
- Case studies:
 1. Marius Sala (Romania)
 2. Pádraig Ó Riagáin (Ireland)
 3. Niels Davidsen-Nielsen (Denmark)
 4. Janez Dular (Slovenia)

18.00-19.00 Summary by Prof. Robert Phillipson (Denmark/UK): *Summing-up. Is there any 'unity in diversity' in language policies national and supranational?*

19.30 Conference dinner (hotel 'Gutenbergs')

13 November (Tuesday)

Venue: Hotel 'Riga', Conference Hall (5th floor), Aspazijas bulvāris 22

9.00-11.00. Concluding discussion: moderator Johan Van Hoorde (Belgium).
Adoption of Conference Resolution

11.00-11.30 Coffee break

11.30-15.00 General Assembly of EFNIL

15.00-15.30 Closing Ceremony