



The 17th Annual Baltic Sea Region Forum

Safe and Secure Baltic Sea

Monday, 12 May 2025

11:30-19:10

**10:30-
11:30**

Registration

**11:30-
11:50**

Opening

Minna Arve, Chair of Board of Directors, Centrum Balticum Foundation & Mayor, City of Turku, Finland

Marjo Kaartinen, Rector, University of Turku, Finland

**11:50-
12:05**

Greetings

Olga Dibrova, Ambassador of Ukraine to Finland

**12:05-
12:35**

Keynote

Pauli Aalto-Setälä, Professor of Practice, University of Turku and Member of Parliament, Finland

**12:35-
13:20**

Coffee and Networking Break

**13:20-
14:45**

Security of Maritime Transport in the Baltic Sea

Chair: Lauri Ojala, Professor, Turku School of Economics, University of Turku, Finland

Panelists:

Maja Markovčić Kostelac, Executive Director, European Maritime Safety Agency, European Union

Artis Pabriks, Chairman, Northern Europe Policy Centre, Latvia

Marko Petkovic, Captain Navy (N), Deputy Chief of Staff Operations, Swedish Naval Staff, Sweden

Mikko Simola, Captain Navy (CG), Commander of Gulf of Finland Coast Guard District, The Finnish Border Guard, Finland

Sanna Sonninen, Maritime Director, Traficom, Finnish Transport and Communications Agency, Finland

Tomasz Szubrycht, Rector-Commandant, Polish Naval Academy, Poland

Tiina Tuurnala, CEO, Finnish Shipowners' Association, Finland

**14:45-
15:30** **Coffee and Networking Break**

**15:30-
16:55** **Sustainable Maritime Industry**

Chair: **Veijo Hyvönen**, Editorial Editor, Turun Sanomat, Finland

Panelists:

Eini Haaja, Postdoctoral Researcher, Pan-European Institute at Turku School of Economics and Turku Institute for Advanced Studies, University of Turku, Finland

Kiki Larsen, Business Development & Funding Manager, Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller, Center for Zero Carbon Shipping, Denmark.

Simone Maraschi, Managing Director, Cruise Gate Hamburg GmbH, Germany

Niels Rytter, Head of Section and Associate Professor, Department of Technology and Innovation, University of Southern Denmark, Denmark

Andrius Sutnikas, Business Development Manager, Western Baltic Engineering, Lithuania

Teppo Säkkinen, Policy Advisor, Finland Chamber of Commerce, Finland

**16:55-
17:25** **Coffee and Networking Break**

**17:25-
18:50** **Nutrient Recycling in the Baltic Sea Region**

Chair: **Jussi Orell**, Editor-in-Chief, Turun Sanomat, Finland

Panelists:

Eija Hagelberg, Senior Specialist, Agriculture, Ministry of the Environment, Finland

Ludwig Hermann, Senior Business Advisor, Proman Management GmbH, Germany

Mats Johansson, Programme Manager, WWF Baltic Sea Programme, WWF, Sweden

Elsi Kauppinen, EUSBSR Policy Area Nutri Coordinator, ELY Centre for Southwest Finland

Teija Paavola, Sustainability Manager, Atria Finland Ltd, Finland

Erik Sindhøj, Senior Researcher, RISE – Research Institutes of Sweden, Sweden

**18:50-
19:10**

Concluding Remarks

Merja Kyllönen, Member of the European Parliament

**19:45-
21:00**

Reception hosted by the City of Turku

