Heads of Government of the Baltic States to meet in Latvia

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On Friday 9 December, the Cabinet of Ministers will host a meeting of Prime Ministers of the Baltic Council of Ministers, with participation of Prime Minister Krišjānis Kariņš, Prime Minister of Estonia Kaja Kallas and Prime Minister of Lithuania Ingrida Šimonytė.

The Baltic Prime Ministers will discuss further support to Ukraine through both international organisations and bilateral assistance, as well as the reception of Ukrainian refugees. The leaders will also address the prosecution of Russia and the development of the next EU sanctions. The leaders will continue their efforts to strengthen NATO's presence in our region, with particular attention to the implementation of the decisions of the NATO Madrid Summit. Regional cooperation in the energy sector and the implementation of the Rail Baltica project will also be on the agenda.

The Baltic Council of Ministers (BCM), established on 13 June 1994, is an institution for governmental co-operation between Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia. The meeting of the Heads of Government, which takes place at least once a year. is the highest decision-making body of the Baltic Council of Ministers This year, Latvia holds the presidency of the Baltic Council of Ministers and previous presidency was in 2019.

Important information for the media representatives!

To attend the events of the media program, each media representative is required to have special accreditation

<u>The accreditation form</u> must be filled out and submitted before 12.00 on 7 December 2022. The applications for accreditation submitted after this deadline will not be processed.

Appropriate business attire is a required for the accredited media representatives participating in the media opportunities in person.

Media opportunities:

8.45 AM Family photo of Prime Minister Krišjānis Kariņš, Prime Minister of Estonia Kaja Kallas and Prime Minister of Lithuania Ingrida Šimonytė (Photo and video opportunity, POOL1).

- When attending Pool 1, it is not possible to attend Pool 2.
- Media arrival: until 8.20 AM
- Cabinet of Ministers, Ground floor foyer, Brīvības bulvāris36

8.55 AM Beginning of the meeting between Prime Minister Krišjānis Kariņš, Prime Minister of Estonia Kaja Kallas and Prime Minister of Lithuania Ingrida Šimonytė (Photo and video opportunity, POOL 2).

- When attending Pool 2, it is not possible to attend Pool 1.
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11.30 AM Joint press conference of Prime Minister Krišjānis Kariņš, Prime Minister of Estonia Kaja Kallas and Prime Minister of Lithuania Ingrida Šimonytė (questions, photos and videos in person and remotely)

- Arrival to the Press Conference Room (3rd floor of the Cabinet of Ministers) or connecting to the Zoom platform until 11.00 AM.
- Simultaneous translation of the press conference will be provided into Latvian, Estonian and Lithuanian.
- A link to the virtual press conference room will be sent to accredited media representatives.

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