**LOCALISING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS THROUGH BALTIC MUSEUMS AND LIBRARIES**

**22-23 September 2021**

DAY 1 – 22 September

9:45-10:00 **Welcome**

**10:00-12:00**

**Localising the SDGs**

Agenda 2030 might seem inspiring, but also difficult for local actors to relate to because of its global scale. The first session of the conference will explore what localising the SDGs actually means and how it can help both regionally and by sector. Panellists will report on progress with the Global goals, in Europe and in the Baltic States – from a general overview to the specifics of the museum and library sectors.

**Keynote: Museums and the SDGs: local actions for global agendas**

Henry McGhie, Curating Tomorrow

**Agenda 2030 in the Baltic Sea Region – where we are and where we are going**

Ugis Zanders, Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat (CBSS)

**The Impact of Value Created by Culture on Approaching the Sustainable Development Goals: Case of the Baltic States**

Asta Mikalauskiene, Ilona Kiausiene, Vilnius University, Kaunas Faculty, Institute of Social Sciences and Applied Informatics

**Affirmation, responsibility, opportunity: libraries and the SDGs**

Stephen Wyber, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA)

**SDGs: challenges and opportunities for museums in European and Baltic contexts**

Elizabeth Rosenberg, The Network of European Museum Organisations (NEMO)

**Towards sustainable development in the heritage sector: Priorities, trends and challenges for Latvian museums**

Elina Vikmane, Latvian Academy of Culture

12:00-13:00 LUNCH

**13:00 – 14:30**

***Ask your museum! Ask your library!***

Museums and libraries are striving to take on the role of experts in sustainable development for their local communities. In this session, museums and libraries from Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania will share their experiences in acting as localisers of the SDGs. The presentations will be followed by a workshop.

***Backup stories* – community platform at Kaunas picture gallery**

Auksė Petrulienė, National M. K. Čiurlionis Art Museum

**Latvian Library for the Blind – Provider of accessible information for people with print disabilities**

Ieva Jēkabsone, Latvian Library for the Blind

**Museum gardens as places for growing and introducing heritage plants**

Anneli Banner, Estonian Open Air Museum

**Quality education – the experience of Lithuanian public libraries**

Jolita Steponaitienė, Lithuanian Librarians’ Association

**A public event programme as part of the European Social Fund project *Complex health promotion and disease prevention measures***

Ilze Sirmā, Māra Traumane, Pauls Stradiņš Medicine History Museum, Latvia

**The World Meets in the National Library’s intercultural programme for young people aged between 8-16 from developing countries**

Pille Slabina, The National Library of Estonia

14:30-15:00 BREAK

**15:00-16:00 Workshops: The six-step plan for museums working with the SDGs**

Each presenter will facilitate a discussion on challenges and findings of work with specific sets of the SDGs, most relevant to the projects they presented. Discussions will be structured in line with *The six-step plan for museums working with the SDGs* introduced by Henry McGhie in his guide *Museums and the Sustainable Development Goals*.

DAY 1 – 23 September

**10:00 – 12:00**

**Planning, assessing and communicating work with the SDGs**

How do we know that our efforts have reached significant results? How do we let our stakeholders and audiences know? These questions often arise in professional discussions on the SDGs. This session will offer a list of tools, models and frameworks that can help museums and libraries answer these crucial questions.

**Keynote: Libraries – advocates for the Sustainable Development Goals**

**Barbara Lison**, IFLA

**SoPHIA impact assessment model for heritage institutions**

Alberto Cerezo, Social Platform for Holistic Impact Heritage Assessment (SoPHIA)

**Why European Structural and Investment Funds? Why a Guide for Library Applicants?**

Giuseppe Vitiello, European Bureau of Library, Information and Documentation Associations (EBLIDA)

**Mainstreaming the Sustainable Development Goals in Museums: a framework for planning and action**

Henry McGhie, Curating Tomorrow

**SDG Storytelling – Demonstrating Contribution through Evidence**

Kristīne Pabērza-Ramiresa, IFLA

**Wheel Chart of Sustainability – a tool for development**

Leena Marsio, Finnish Heritage Agency

12:00-13:00 LUNCH

**13:00-14:30 Workshops on the presented tools and frameworks**

14:30-15:00 BREAK

**15:00-16:00**

**Cross-sectoral cooperation and advocacy**

In the concluding panel, representatives from Baltic libraries, museums and NGOs which collaborate within the heritage field, as well as representatives of state institutions will discuss the best ways these sectors can cooperate to support SDG implementation. We anticipate the outcome of the discussion will be feasible strategies and steps to be taken in this regard.

Facilitator of the discussion: **Uldis Zariņš**, Deputy State Secretary for Cultural Policy

**16:00-16:15**

**Conference wrap-up: *What have we learned? How far have we got with localisation?***