



Human Rights and Foreign Policy

Symposium Reflecting on Estonia's First Year in the UN Human Rights Council

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Estonian Academy of Sciences (Tallinn, Kohtu 6)

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9:00-9:20 *Urmas Paet, Estonian Minister of Foreign Affairs*

9:20-09:50 *Jüri Seilenthal, Estonia's Ambassador at the UN in Geneva*
„Estonia in the Human Rights Council: What Is Estonia's Human Rights Policy at the UN?“

09:50-10:20 *Lauri Mälksoo, Director of the Estonian Foreign Policy Institute*
„Recent Scholarship on Human Rights Council: Problem Areas“

10:20-10:45 Coffee break

10:45-12:15 *„Human Rights as the Message of the West? Austria's and Norway's Experiences with Human Rights Policy“*

Wolfgang Benedek, Professor of International Law, University of Graz

Halvor Sætre, Director of the section for human rights and democracy in the Norwegian MFA

Christian Strohal, Former Ambassador of Austria at the UN in Geneva

Geir Ulfstein, Professor of International Law, University of Oslo

12:15-13:15 Lunch

13:15-14:30 *„The Russian Federation, EU and Human Rights: Ways Forward“*

Anton Burkov, PhD (Cantab.); NGO 'Sutyazhnik', Yekaterinburg

Viatcheslav Morozov; Professor of EU-Russia Studies at the University of Tartu

Moderator: *Lauri Mälksoo, Director of the Estonian Foreign Policy Institute*

14:30-14:40 Conclusions