



**BALTIC SEA
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TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATION

To: BSHC Members, IHO Secretariat, Observers

Tallinn, 23 May 2024

Subject: 29th Baltic Sea Hydrographic Commission Conference – Tallinn, Estonia

Dear BSHC Colleagues,

As a Chairman of the Baltic Sea Hydrographic Commission, I'm happy to invite you to the 29th Baltic Sea Hydrographic Conference, on **17 – 19 September 2024 in Tallinn, Estonia**. The conference will be arranged as a face-to-face meeting and hosted by Estonian Transport Administration.

Meeting Venue

The meeting venue will be at the Tallink Spa and Conference Hotel:

Conference Center of Tallink Spa and Conference Hotel

Sadama 11a 10111 Tallinn

<https://hotels.tallink.com/tallink-spa-conference-hotel>

The meeting of the Conference commences on Wednesday 18 September 2024, 09:00 and is scheduled to close on Thursday 19 September 2024, approx. 15:30. Lunch and coffee will be provided between the sessions.

On Tuesday 17 September 2024 at 18.00 an Icebreaker party will take place Lobby of the Conference Center of the Tallink Spa and Conference Hotel where all delegates are kindly invited.

A full BSHC29 program is attached as an Annex A.

Agenda

You are also kindly invited to propose agenda items for the Conference. A draft v.1.0 BSHC29 Agenda is attached as Annex B. Please provide your comments/additional agenda items no later than **21 June 2024**.

Meeting documents

Please provide all BSHC documents no later than **16 August 2024** to maris.akkerman@transpordiamet.ee with a copy to olavi.heinlo@transpordiamet.ee

Accommodation

Participants are expected to make their own accommodation arrangements.

Estonian Transport Administration has pre-reserved rooms at the Tallink Spa and Conference Hotel. The price per room/night is set to 89 EUR/night (standard single) or 99 EUR/night (standard double). These set prices are valid for nights between 15 September and 20 September 2024. Prices include breakfast and usage of the spa center.

To get the set prices book your stay directly with the hotel through the hotel website, phone or email from below and use booking code **TALCONF2024** Please make your reservation **before 6 September 2024**. Link for booking:

<https://hotels.tallink.com/en>

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Registration

Delegates are kindly invited to register their participation using the IHO Online Registration tool

<https://iho.int/en/online-registration>

Please register no later than **13 July 2024**.

Transportation

Tallinn Airport (TLL) is located about 5 km from the Tallin city center.

Public Transport. Bus number 2 will take you to the Tallink Spa and Conference Hotel and also to city center. More information here <https://airport.ee/en/public-transport/> and check the route on Google Maps. Ticket for one hour (2€) can be purchased from the bus front door validator with contactless bank card. More information here <https://www.tallinn.ee/en/pilet/how-buy-ticket>

Taxi. The journey by taxi takes 15-30 minutes depending on traffic. Taxis from Tallink ja Forus companies are always available at the arrivals exit. Price to the Tallink Conference and Spa Hotel is approximately 15-20 euros depending on the traffic.

Ferry. If you arrive to Tallinn by ferry from Helsinki or Stockholm, then the best way is to walk to the hotel.

Parts of streets around the hotel are currently under construction and will be also under construction during the meeting. Please consider that it may take more time than usual to get to/from the hotel by bus or car.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Tallinn for a productive and enjoyable Conference.

Yours sincerely,



Olavi Heinlo
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National Hydrographer of Estonia