



The Democratisation of Belarus: Myth or Reality?

Wednesday 29 April 2009
Pałac Kultury i Nauki / Palace of Culture and Science, Rudniew room, 4th floor
Plac defilad 1
Warsaw, Poland

09.30 Registration of the participants

10.00 Opening of the conference:

- **Wilfried MARTENS**, EPP President & CES President (confirmed)
- **Donald TUSK**, Prime Minister of Poland (tbc)

10.20 Panel I: Belarusian Perspectives and Expectations

Chair: **Dr. Mart LAAR**, former Prime Minister of Estonia, Parliamentary Group Leader of Pro Patria and Res Publica Union (confirmed)

Panelists:

- **Alexander MILINKEVICH**, Sakharov Prize Winner (confirmed)
- **Alaksej YANUKEVICH**, Vice President of Belarusian Popular Front (confirmed)
- **Stephan MALERIUS**, Head of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation Office for Belarus (confirmed)
- **Zhanna LITVINA**, Head of the Belarusian Association of Journalists (confirmed)
- **Andzelika BORYS**, Chairwoman of the Association of Poles in Belarus (confirmed)
- **Roland FREUDENSTEIN**, Head of Research, Centre for European Studies (confirmed)

11.40 Panel II: Western Responses to Belarus - How Efficient Is Our Policy?

Chair: **Jacek PROTASIEWICZ**, MEP, Chairman of the Delegation for Relations with Belarus, European Parliament (confirmed)

Panelists:

- **Lorne CRANER**, President of the International Republican Institute (confirmed)
- **Ambassador Olof EHRENKRONA**, Senior Advisor to the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs (confirmed)
- **Anatoly LIABEDZKA**, President of the United Civic Party, Belarus (confirmed)
- **Vintsuk VYACHORKA**, Vice President of the Belarus Popular Front (confirmed)
- **Pirkka TAPIOLA**, Senior Advisor on Eastern Europe and Central Asia, General Secretariat of the Council of the EU (tbc)

12.40 Concluding remarks:

- **Christian HOLM**, MP, Member of the Parliamentary Committee for Foreign Affairs, Sweden (confirmed)
- **Antonio LOPEZ ISTURÍZ**, MEP, EPP Secretary General & CES Secretary-Treasurer (confirmed)

13.00 Lunch

Simultaneous translation English-Byelorussian will be available