



## Central Baltic Annual Event & European Cooperation Day agenda

Bridging the borders and funding periods - results and glimpses towards the future

23 September	2021 Online event in Zoom
Time	11:00-15:30 EET (10:00-14:30 <u>CET</u> )
11:00 - 12:00	<ul> <li>Plenary</li> <li>Welcome to the event - Merike Niitepõld, Head of Managing Authority</li> <li>Programme level achievements</li> <li>Our project managers will introduce the programme level achievements on selected topics</li> <li>Water - Samu Numminen</li> <li>Labour Market - Pille Laaksonen</li> <li>Export - Ülari Alaments</li> </ul>
12:00 - 12:30	Comfort break
12:30 - 14:30	<ul> <li>Parallel sessions</li> <li>The programme has contributed to improving employment inclusion, quality of the Baltic Sea and increasing exports to far markets - the issues that remain important for the region and will be addressed also in the next Central Baltic Programme 2021-2027 with more focused approach. This event will showcase concrete results and provide insights to developments of each field in three parallel sessions (participants are to choose one session of their interest).</li> </ul>
	WATER
	The programme supported projects aiming at better water quality of the Baltic Sea by reducing the load of nutrients and other hazardous substances from different types of sources. This session will offer you opportunity to hear more about the project results and successes as well as some insights from the expert in this field.  • Project Results from NutriTrade and SEABASED (Anna Saarentaus), and iWater (Nika Kotoviča)  • Expert Lotta Ruokanen from HELCOM  • Two project stories (videos)





	LABOUR MARKET
	The programme supported projects targeting social and labour market integration of people belonging to risk groups and giving young people entrepreneurial skills. This session will offer you opportunity to hear more about the project results and successes as well as some insights from the expert in this field.  • Projects Results from RETHINK (Johanna Palmstierna) and DigiYouth (Ardo Rohtla)  • Professor Raul Eamets from University of Tartu
	ActiveMoms and Gardens project stories (videos)
	EXPORT
	Central Baltic Programme supported projects which aimed at increasing exports to far markets (market outside EU and EFTA countries). The financed projects represent wide range of economic sectors and target markets. Among represented sectors there are traditional strong sectors of the region (wood processing, machine building, and agriculture) as well the services (E.g. tourism, music, and logistics) and wide range of ICT solutions. The projects have successfully achieved results as the entries of the participating companies to targeted markets. The session will offer you opportunity to hear more about the project results and successes and as well some future insights from the expert.  • Project Results from SME Aisle (Minna Keinänen-Toivola), eMesai (Jana Silaškova, Torbjörn Jonsson)  • Expert presentation (tbc)  • Baltic Explorers project story (video)
14:30 - 14:40	Comfort break
14:40 - 15:30	Plenary
	Summaries from the parallel sessions
	<ul> <li>Monika Balode, Ivo Volt and Annika Holmström from the Central Baltic Programme</li> </ul>
	Reflections towards the Central Baltic Programme 2021-2027
	Ülari Alamets
15:30	Closing of the event