

## INTERREGIONAL STUDY VISIT FOCUSED ON SHARING GOOD PRACTICES ESTONIA: MAY 7-10, 2024

# AGENDA

**Day 0. Tuesday , May 7: Arrival of participants in TARTU**

## DAY 1. WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

**9:30 WELCOME AT THE ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPALITIES OF TARTU COUNTY**

**Address: Pepleri St. 6, Tartu**

*Aare Kasemets, Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture*

*Taavi Kurvits, Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture*

*Kristi Jõesaar, Association of Municipalities of Tartu County (Phone: +372 5196 8458)*



View to Lake Peipus. Photo: Viktoria Arro

### **10:00 BUS TO PEIPSIÄÄRE RURAL MUNICIPALITY**

*Peipsiääre is a rural municipality in Tartu County, Estonia, with an area of 652 km<sup>2</sup>. The number of population is 5314. The municipality is situated on the eastern border of Estonia, by the shores of Estonian biggest lake Peipus.*

### **10:45 VISIT TO "MESI TARE" HOME ACCOMMODATION AND ACTIVITIES**

*Mesi Tare home accommodation is located in the Old Believers village of Varnja on the shore of Lake Peipus, offering guests accommodation in an authentic Old Believers' home.*

### **11:45 VISIT TO THE OLD BELIEVERS MUSEUM**

*The Old Believers Museum in Kolkja investigates the story of the Russian Old Believers of Peipsi shore and tells it to the guests.*

### **12:45 LUNCH AT KOLKJA FISH AND ONION RESTAURANT**

*The menu of the restaurant features dishes based on local Old Believers' recipes*



Streetview in Kallaste. Photo: Viktoria Arro

## 14:30 GOOD PRACTICE AND POLICY LEARNING: HOW TO SURVIVE IN BORDERLAND?

Discussion will start in **Kallaste**, the smallest town in Estonia. **Taivo Tali**, Development Advisor of Peipsiääre Municipality.

**15:30 to be continued in Alatskivi Castle.**

MODERATOR:

**Aare Kasemets**, Adviser in regulatory impact assessment and civic engagement at the Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture

PANELISTS:

**Mari Niitra**, Head of the **Liivi Museum in Peipsiääre Municipality**

*The museum is dedicated to Juhan Liiv, one of the greatest Estonian poets.*

**Viljam Viljasoo**, Consultant at Tartu Business Advisory Services

**Kaidi Randpõld**, Development Specialist at the Association of Municipalities of Tartu County

**Taivo Tali**, Development Advisor at Peipsiääre Rural Municipality

**Liis Lainemäe**, Head of the Onion Route Network, Head of Marketing at Peipsiääre Rural Municipality

**Jekaterina Tõlnikova**, Entrepreneur in Kallaste



## 17:30 TOUR IN ALATSKIVI CASTLE

Alatskivi Castle. Photo: Viktoria Arro

**18:30 DINNER AT THE RESTAURANT OF ALATSKIVI CASTLE**

**20:30 BUS TO TARTU, END OF THE DAY**

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## DAY 2. THURSDAY, MAY 9



**09:15 BUS TO THE ESTONIAN AGRICULTURAL MUSEUM**

**09:30 MUSEUM TOUR**

**10:00 GOOD PRACTICE AND POLICY LEARNING**

How do we support Estonian rural development, e.g. knowledge-based regional policy design and rural proofing e-desktop.

**Karl Annus, Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture: "My Municipality", what is it?**

**Kadri Koel, Agricultural Registers and Information Board: Big data services to support rural areas. What opportunities does interactive BI (business intelligence) dashboards create for rural development?**

**11:15 COFFEE BREAK**

**11:30 PARTNERS' MEETING**

Next steps and important things, e.g. discussions on the comparative study (methodology, draft questionnaire, tasks of co-authors, etc).

**12:30 LUNCH**

**14:00 GOOD PRACTICES JA POLICY LEARNING**

**Krista Habakukk and Marianne Ubaleht: Cooperation activities and methods in regional development: Day of Countryside Living - all - Estonian initiative which aims to attract even more entrepreneurial and enthusiastic people to the Estonian countryside.**

**Aare Kasemets and Taavi Kurvits, Advisers at Estonian Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture: Introduction to Estonian regulatory governance challenges and best practices in the context of our Coop4RuralGov project. How to integrate the rural proofing approach into general regulatory impact assessment procedures?**



**15:30 -16:30 VISIT TO THE ESTONIAN AVIATION MUSEUM**

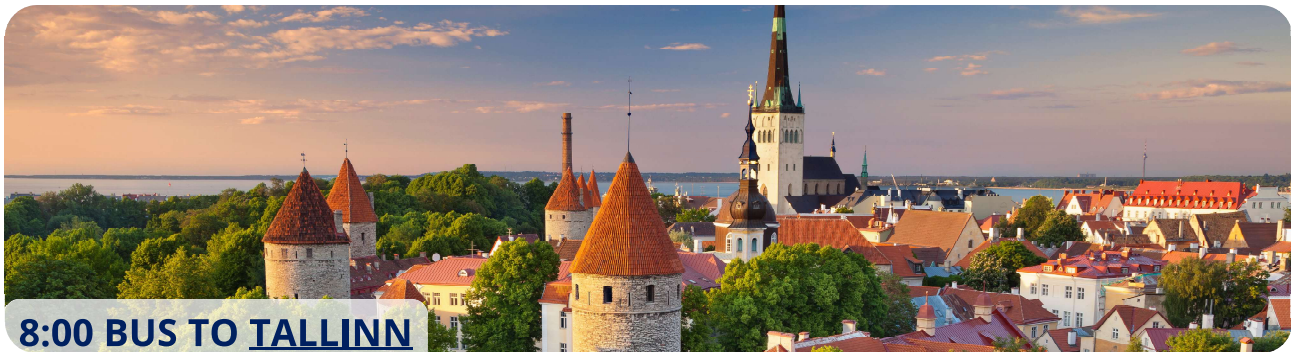
**16:30 BUS TO TARTU, END OF THE DAY**

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## DAY 3. FRIDAY, MAY 10

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### 11:00 GOOD PRACTICE, POLICY LEARNING

How to create a positive knowledge-based interaction between regional actors, different ministries, Cabinet Office and parliamentary committees? At Estonian Parliament building, Tallinn

**Züleyxa Izmailova**, Member of the Parliament: **Welcome**

**Priidu Ristkok**, Head of Regional Development Department at the Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture: **Estonia 2035 – overview of the regional policy in Estonia**

**Pilleriin Lindsalu**, Policy Adviser at Ministry of Justice of Estonia: **Promotion of better regulation principles in Estonia and the role of Estonian Ministry of Justice in legislative process.**

**How to ease administrative burden (standard costs) analysis and support entrepreneurs:**  
Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications

### 12.30-13:30 DISCUSSION

Which ideas heard during the study visit could be integrated into the comparative study design and performance report of our Coop4RuralGov project?

### 14:00 LUNCH

**END OF THE VISIT**