INVITATION GLOBAL ESTONIAN DIASPORA NETWORKING DAY

The Global Estonian Diaspora Networking Day is a great opportunity for members of diaspora organisations and representatives of Estonian communities around the world to connect, share their successes and challenges, and discuss what is needed to support sustainability and further development.

The main aim of the day is to bring together Estonians from different countries who are working in similar fields, so that they can get to know each other, exchange experiences, and draw inspiration from each other.

The Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs is currently updating the Global Estonian Action Plan (2026-2029) to better serve the actual needs of Estonian communities abroad. Your feedback and ideas are essential to this process to ensure that the Action Plan reflects the expectations and lifetyle of Estonians abroad.

The day's program includes thematic workshops aimed at fostering collaboration, knowledge exchange, and information gathering for long-term development of the diaspora.

In addition to the workshops listed below, select Estonian artists and writers will display and sell their works. The program will also include a mini-expo with representation from key institutions, organisations, and enterprises.

The event will be held in Estonian but simultaneous interpreting into English will be available. Workshop participants are welcome to participate in either, and/or both languages.

Sessions and workshops marked with an asterisk (*) will be accessible virtually.

See you on July 1!

Sirle Sööt President ESTO 2025 General Committee Marin Mõttus Ambassador at Large for the Diaspora Ministry of Foreign Affairs







1 July 2025 10:00 – 16:00 @Tallinn Creative Hub, Kultuurikatel Kursi 3, Tallinn

WORKSHOPS

- Estonian schools and summer camps abroad
- 2. Estonian houses, outdoor associations (campgrounds, etc.) abroad*
- 3. Estonian diaspora media and communication networks abroad*
- 4. Estonian archives, libraries and the preservation of Estonian memory abroad
- 5. Estonian churches and congregations abroad
- 6. Estonian academics abroad
- 7. Estonian sororities and fraternities
- 8. Estonian folk culture abroad (choirs, dance groups, theatre and ethnographic circles)
- Estonian artists and art collections abroad
- 10. Estonian writers & translators abroad
- 11. Estonian chambers of commerce and business diplomacy advocates abroad**

When registering, please select two (2) networking groups in which you would like to participate in order of preference.

Register here »

- * Virtually accessible
- ** The network Estonian chambers of commerce and business diplomacy advocates abroad will have a special program titled "Global Estonians' Business Network: Uncharted Resource for Estonian Companies", starting at 9:30 in the Trafo Hall. Separate registration is required for this session.

PROGRAMME GLOBAL ESTONIAN DIASPORA NETWORKING DAY



9:15 – 10:00 REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE

10:00 - 10:45 MAIN HALL SESSION*

Introduction

Moderator, Reet Marten-Sehr

Welcoming address Sirle Sööt, ESTO President; Margus Tsahkna, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Overview and objectives of the Global Estonian Action Plan Marin Mõttus, Kadri Linnas

ESTO 2025 vision for the future of youth Nora Sööt, Mihkel Jaenes

Introduction of workshops and group leaders Moderator, Reet Marten-Sehr Break out into workshops

11:00 – 12:00 WORKSHOPS SESSION I

by pre-registration (Select a theme/room)

12:00 - 13:15 LUNCH BREAK

and networking opportunity

13:15 - 13:30

Instructions for the second half of the day

13:30 – 14:00 WORKSHOPS SESSION II

by pre-registration (Select a theme/room)

14:15 – 14:45 WORKSHOPS SESSION III

(Visit all themes/rooms)

15:00 - 16:30 MAIN HALL SESSION*

- Presentation of the results of the workshops
 (5 min each, 50 min in total)
- Open mike
- Closing remarks, Moderator, Reet Marten-Sehr



