



**EXPEDITION „B A L T O S C A N D I A – 2016“  
CONFERENCE AT TARTU UNIVERSITY, ESTONIA**

**CONFERENCE PROGRAM  
August 19, 2016**

**10 am**

- Opening of the Conference
- ***Speeches and presentations:***  
Mr. Erki Tammiksaar, senior researcher Estonian University of Life Sciences  
***“The Baltoscandian Idea: Birth and Developing of it through Previous Century and Forcoming Perspectives. Lithuanian Geographical Society and prof. Kazys Pakštas. Expedition “Mission Lithuania 100.”*** Mr. Arūnas Bliūdžius, Academia Baltoscandia, Lithuania, Mrs. Genovaitė Kynė, the president of Lithuanian Geographical Society, Mr. Gintautas Babravičius, leader of the expedition “Mission Lithuania 100”, Wanderers Club, Lithuania
- ***Speeches of representative from Lithuanian community in Estonia, conference participants, discussions***

**12 am**

- Closing of the conference

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**MISSION** – to promote a celebration of 100 year anniversary of modern Lithuanian state in Northern Europe and to facilitate an image of Lithuania as part of Baltoscandia in the Baltic states and Scandinavia.

**GOAL** – to make a tour through Baltic and Scandinavian states commemorating prof. Kazys Pakštas and his idea of Baltoscandia as well as to unite Lithuanians around the world.

**MAIN TASKS:**

- 1) to commemorate activities of promotion of Baltoscandian idea of prof. K. Pakštas in 30-ies and 40-ies of the 20th century among academic communities in the Baltic and Scandinavian countries; to organise meetings and conferences in Universities, visited by prof. K. Pakštas;
- 2) to commemorate 25th anniversary of diplomatic recognition of independence of Baltic states and thank Northern European nations for their exceptional role in this process;
- 3) to present Lithuanian regional aspirations for the societies of those nations and Lithuanians abroad and to promote ideas of Matas Šalčius „The World for Lithuania, Lithuania for the World“;
- 4) to meet communities of Lithuanians in visited countries, discuss issues of education and integration;
- 5) to note 25th anniversary of „Baltoscandinavian academy“, which was promoting ideas of closer collaboration of Baltic and Scandinavian countries since its foundation.

Expedition „**B A L T O S C A N D I A – 2016**“ is the first stage of the round World tour „**Mission LITHUANIA 100**“. This tour or mission is devoted to the 100 anniversary of Lithuanian independence. The goal of the mission could be described by three verbs: celebrate, educate, promote. The collaboration between all nations is a condition for survival of any nation in modern times.