



HALDUSKULTUUR – ADMINISTRATIVE CULTURE CONFERENCE 2009

SMALL STATES AND THE ‘STATE’

24-25 APRIL, 2009, TALLINN, ESTONIA

Hotel St. Olav, Lai 5

April 24

10:00 Welcome

10:30 - 13:00 First session, chair *Tiina Randma-Liiv, Tallinn University of Technology*

10.30 Keynote speech ‘Conceptualising and Measuring Economic Vulnerability and Resilience’ *Lino Briguglio, University of Malta*

11.30 Coffee break

12.00 ‘Comparative Analysis of State Administrations: The Size of a State as an Independent Variable’ *Küllli Sarapuu, Tallinn University of Technology*

12.30 ‘Institutional Development and Reform in Public Services: The Experience of Small Caribbean States’ *Deryck R. Brown, Governance & Institutional Development Division, Commonwealth Secretariat*

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch at the Hotel St. Olav

14:30 - 16:30 Second session, chair *Wolfgang Drechsler, Tallinn University of Technology*

14:30 'Symptom or Remedy? The Role of the Central Bureaucracy in Enhancing the Strategic Capacity of the Irish State' *Bernadette Connaughton, University of Limerick*

15:00 Coffee break

15:30 'Small States Presidency Competences: the Case of Slovenian EU Council 'Presidency' in 2008' *Marjan Svetličič and Sabina Kajnč, University of Ljubljana*

16:00 'Small States and Diplomacy: an Indispensable, Though Much Diversified Relation' *Milan Jazbec, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia and University of Ljubljana*

18:00 Tour at the the Parliament of Estonia *Riigikogu* and a reception hosted by the Vice-Chairman of the *Riigikogu* Mr Jüri Ratas (gathering in front of the Hotel St Olav at 17:30)

April 25

10:00 – 12.30 Third session, chair *Tarmo Kalvet, Tallinn University of Technology*

10:00 'Small States and International Financial Institutions: The Case of Iceland' *Hilmar Þór Hilmarsson, University of Akureyri*

10:30 'The Rise and Fall of the Baltic States' *Rainer Kattel, Tallinn University of Technology*

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 'Oil Consumption and Economic Growth Interdependence in Small European Countries' *Sasa Ziković and Nela Vlahinic-Dizdarevic, University of Rijeka*

12:00 'Small States and Economic Security in a Disintegrating World: Scandinavia and the Baltic States in the 1930's' *Richard T. Griffiths, Leiden University*

12.30 – 13.00 Wrap-up, *Tiina Randma-Liiv, Tallinn University of Technology*

13:00 Lunch and farewell drinks