

9TH ANNUAL FORUM OF THE EUROPEAN UNION STRATEGY FOR THE BALTIC SEA REGION IN TALLINN ON 4 – 5 JUNE 2018

Participation overview and feedback

917 persons had registered prior to the forum out of whom 788 actually participated (no show rate therefore 14, 1%). In addition, 33 journalists attended the conference.

Based on registrations, participants of the Annual Forum of the EUSBSR came from the following countries.

COUNTRY	No	%
Belgium	14	1.53
Denmark	40	4.36
Estonia	256	27.89
Finland	129	14.05
Germany	64	6.97
Latvia	73	7.95
Lithuania	55	5.99
Norway	18	1.96
Poland	107	11.66
Russia	15	1.63
Sweden	103	11.22
Other	44	4.79
Total	918	

172 participants answered the survey after the Forum. Their main reasons for participation were “interest in the EUSBSR” 66% and “networking” - 51% (multiple answers were possible). 59% of respondents participated in the Annual Forum of the EUSBSR before.

In general the participants rated the organization of the Annual Forum in Tallinn positive- 46% considered it excellent and 49% good. 96% of respondents found the size of the event adequate.

Overall content of the Annual Forum was excellent for 20% of the participants of the feedback and good for 66%. Rather similar were opinions about the relevance of the three themes of the Forum- 32% found it excellent and 54% good. The participants found that overall quality of the plenary sessions was excellent (26%), good (52%), fair (3%), acceptable (19%) or poor (1%).

There were 21 seminars selected from more than fifty proposals, the number was adequate for 68% of the respondents, for 30% of the participants of the survey it was too many. The overall quality of the seminars was considered excellent -13%, good – 51%, fair – 4%, acceptable – 31% and poor by 1% of the participants of the feedback.

The chance to voice their opinion during the Forum was excellent for 19%, good- 54%, fair- 5%, acceptable- 19% and poor – 3% of the participants of the survey.