



International conference of the Legal Affairs Committee of the Saeima of the Republic of Latvia in cooperation with the Council of Sworn Notaries Public of the Republic of Latvia

## "IS A REFORM OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY TRANSACTION PROCESSES NECESSARY? EX-ANTE ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL DRAFT LAWS"

## **AGENDA**

16 September 2016 Red Room, Saeima of the Republic of Latvia, Jēkaba iela 11, Riga

**Conference Goal:** By presenting and analysing the Latvian model and comparing it to the Estonian, Lithuanian, and German models, the Conference aims to discuss problems and solutions for the closure and registration of immovable property transactions in Latvia and perform an ex-ante assessment of potential draft laws.

**Moderator:** Haralds Burkovskis

Time	Speaker	Subject
10:00-10:05	Ināra Mūrniece, Speaker of the Saeima	Opening remarks
10:05-10:10	<b>Gaidis Bērziņš</b> , Chairman of the Legal Affairs Committee of the Saeima	Opening remarks
10:10-10:30	<b>Prof. Peter Murray</b> , Professor at Harvard Law School	Transactions with immovable property - costs to the parties and benefits to the state: international comparative perspective
10:30-10:50	<b>Ilze Znotiņa</b> , Attorney-at-Law, Partner at "Deloitte Legal"	Fraud risks in transactions for the disposal of immovable property
10:50-11:10	<b>Prof. Jānis Rozenfelds</b> , Professor at the University of Latvia, Head of the Civil Law Department, Faculty of Law, Attorney-at-Law	Problems and solutions to the closure of transactions for the disposal of immovable property in Latvia
11:10-11:30	Marius Stračkaitis, Chairman of the Chamber of Notaries of the Republic of Lithuania	Notarisation and registration of lien agreements
11:30-11:50	<b>Dr.iur. Priidu Pärna</b> , Lecturer at the University of Tartu, notary	Basic efficiency during the closure and registration of transactions with immovable property
11:50-12:00	Summary of Session I	

Time	Speaker	Subject
12:00-12:45	Lunch	
12:45-12:55	Inita Ilgaža Director of the Court System Policy Department of the Ministry of Justice	Opinion of the working group headed by the Ministry of Justice regarding the introduction of compulsory notarial deeds
12:55-13:10	Jānis Endziņš Chairman of the Board of the Latvian Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Opinion of the business sector on the introduction of compulsory notarial deeds
13:10-13:30	<b>Prof. Rolf </b> <i>Stürner</i> , Professor of Law at the University of Freiburg, judge <i>emeritus</i>	Importance of notarisation for the lawfulness of transactions and the reliability and stability of entries into land registries
13:30-13:50	<b>Prof. Ineta Ziemele</b> , Judge of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Latvia, Professor at the Riga Graduate School of Law	Application of the rule of law and the principles of a socially responsible state to transactions with immovable property
13:50-14:10	<b>Prof. Kalvis Torgāns</b> , Professor at the University of Latvia, Faculty of Law	Rationale for transactions as notarial deeds
14:10-14:20	Summary of Session II	
14:20-15:10	Discussion	

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