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Investing in children today for society's welfare in the future

23 October 2023

Saeima of the Republic of Latvia, Baltic Hall, Jēkaba iela 6/8, Riga

Moderator: **Ms Ilze Dobele**

Agenda

- 9.30** Arrival and registration, morning coffee
Hall of the Baltic Way
- 10.00** Opening addresses
Baltic Hall
- Ms Zanda Kalniņa-Lukaševica***, Deputy Speaker of the Saeima
Mr Andris Bērziņš, Chair of the Social and Employment Matters Committee
H.E. Ms Evika Siliņa, Prime Minister of the Republic of Latvia
Mr Uldis Augulis, Minister of Welfare
Mr Ásmundur Einar Daðason, Minister of Education and Children of Iceland
Ms Gunita Kovaļevska, Head of the State Inspectorate for Protection of Children's Rights of Latvia
- 10.55** A child's testimony (video)
- 11.00** **Parents' example – the best investment in children's future**
Mr Artūrs Miksons, psychotherapist
- 11.30** **Early detection of child abuse and adoption of a zero-tolerance policy across all responsible authorities and society**
Ms Arta Bārzdiņa, Head of the Department of Pediatric Anesthesiology and Intensive Care, Children's Clinical University Hospital
- 12.00** **Tomorrow's leaders: inquisitive, creative, empathic, and joyful. Why pre-schools are not for babysitting?**
Ms Dina Jaunzeme, Head of the Pre-school Education Programme, foundation Mission Possible
- 12.30** Panel discussion
- 13.00** Break
- 14.00** **Freefall. A child's path through the safety network**
Ms Anda Avena, Head of Communications, foundation Dardedze Center
- 14.30** **The youth perspective...**
Mr Kārlis Mednieks, Board Member, association Resilience Centre, and youth representatives
- 15.00** Panel discussion
- 15.30** Closing of the conference