



To Points of Contacts to the Espoo  
Convention

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### Adoption of Rail Baltica county plans in Estonia

In a letter dated 30 August 2013 Estonia as Party of origin notified Finland, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland about the initiation of strategic environment assessment (SEA) of the Rail Baltica 1435 mm railway route county plans of Harju, Rapla and Pärnu counties. Latvia participated in the transboundary procedure as an affected Party. Finland reserved the opportunity to participate in the procedure. Lithuania and Poland were interested about the results of SEA and further actions regarding the project.

The summaries of the county plans and the SEA report were sent to Latvia and for information to Finland on 22 August 2016. Also Lithuania and Poland were informed about the publication of the respective documentation via e-mail. Finland did not submit comments on the material. The answers of the leading SEA expert of the county plans regarding the comments and concerns expressed by Latvia were sent to Latvia on 22 November 2016. Based on the additional clarifications Latvia regarded the results of transboundary consultations as sufficient and considered further consultations not necessary.

Hereby we are informing you that the Rail Baltica 1435 mm railway route county plans of Harju, Rapla and Pärnu counties have been adopted. For more detailed information, including an overview of the spatial planning/SEA procedure and the availability of the respective documentation, please find attached the information letter together with the route location composed by the Ministry of Finance of Estonia.

Sincerely Yours,

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#### Enclosures:

- Annex 1 – Information letter
- Annex 2 – Rail Baltica route in Estonia

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