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Presidents of Latvia and Poland will meet to discuss support to Ukraine

His Excellency President of the Republic of Poland Mr Andrzej Duda and Mrs Agata Kornhauser-Duda will arrive in Latvia with an official visit on 1-2 February 2022. Presidents of Poland and Latvia will discuss how to provide Ukraine support that it needs, security and energy in Europe, and other priorities.

Welcoming of the President and First Lady of Poland on the Riga Castle square at 11:00 will open the official visit of President of Poland to Latvia. Ceremony will broadcast live on Channel 1 of the Latvian Television. Delegations of Latvia and Poland will then proceed to a bilateral meeting followed by joint press conference with both heads of state at 12:30. Press conference will be preceded by signing of Poland-Latvia cooperation programme in education and culture 2023-2026.

At 13:15, delegations will proceed to flower laying ceremony at the Freedom Monument, then go to the Saeima at 13:25 for a meeting with Speaker of Saeima Edvards Smiltēns. Meeting with Prime Minister of Latvia Krišjānis Kariņš will take place at the Cabinet of Ministers at 15:25.

First ladies of Poland and Latvia, Mrs Andra Levite and Mrs Agata Kornhauser-Duda will visit Vaivari National Rehabilitation Centre.

On the second day of the visit, 2 February, presidents of Latvia and Poland will join experts for a discussion on how Latvia and Poland should cooperate to overcome current challenges. Discussion will start at 11:15.

Media instructions:

Media accreditation for the official visit of President and First Lady of Poland to Latvia is open **until 30 January 2023**. To register, please, contact Media Centre of the Presidential Chancery by e-mail: prese@president.lv.

Media are required to **follow the formal dress code** for media events.

Media events, 1 February

11:00	Official welcoming of H.E. Mr Andrzej Duda, President of Poland, and Mrs Agata Kornhauser-Duda (POOL 1) <i>Riga Castle square</i> Photo and video opportunity NB! Live broadcast on <i>LTV1</i>
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Media arrival by 10:30

Media in POOL 1 will not be allowed into POOL 2 events

11:15	Signing of Guest Book (POOL 2) <i>Riga Castle, White Hall</i> Photo and video opportunity NB! Live broadcast on <i>LTV1</i>
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Media arrival by 10:30

Media in POOL 2 will not be allowed into POOL 1 events

11:55	Delegation meeting <i>Riga Castle, Coats of Arms Hall</i> Photo and video opportunity before meeting
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Media arrival by 11:25

12:25	Signing of Poland-Latvia cooperation programme in education and culture 2023-2026 <i>Riga Castle, White Hall</i> Photo and video opportunity
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Media arrival by 11:55

12:30	Joint press conference by President of Latvia Egils Levits and President of Poland Andrzej Duda <i>Riga Castle, White Hall</i> Photo and video opportunity, Q&A NB! Press conference will be livestreamed on Presidential Chancery webpage www.president.lv and President Levits' social media pages <i>YouTube, Facebook and Twitter</i>
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Working languages: Latvian/ Polish (with simultaneous interpretation)

Media arrival by 11:55

13:15	Flower laying ceremony at the Freedom Monument (POOL 2) <i>Freedom Square</i> Photo and video opportunity
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Media arrival by 13:00

13:25	<p>Meeting between President of Poland Andrzej Duda and Speaker of the Saeima Edvards Smiltēns <i>Saeima (Parliament of Latvia)</i> Photo and video opportunity before meeting</p>
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Media arrival by 13:05

15:25	<p>Joint photo of President of Poland Andrzej Duda and Prime Minister of Latvia Krišjānis Kariņš in the Cabinet of Ministers <i>Cabinet of Ministers, Lobby, 1st Floor</i> Photo and video opportunity</p>
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Media arrival by 15:05

15:30	<p>Meeting between President of Poland Andrzej Duda and Prime Minister of Latvia Krišjānis Kariņš in the Cabinet of Ministers <i>Cabinet of Ministers, Green Hall, 2nd Floor</i> Photo and video opportunity</p>
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Media arrival by 15:05

15:40	<p>Mrs Andra Levite and Mrs Agata Kornhauser-Duda visit Vaivari National Rehabilitation Centre <i>Vaivari National Rehabilitation Centre, Jūrmala</i> Photo and video opportunity</p>
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Media arrival by 15:25

Media events, 2 February

11:15–12:30	<p>President of Latvia and Poland take part in expert discussion “Latvia and Poland: Countering Today’s Challenges Together” <i>ALTUM, Doma laukums 4, Riga</i> Photo and video opportunity</p> <p>NB! Press conference will be livestreamed on Presidential Chancery webpage www.president.lv and President Levits’ social media pages <i>YouTube, Facebook and Twitter</i></p>
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Working languages: Latvian, Polish, English (with simultaneous interpretation)

Media arrival by 11:00