

President of Rwanda pays official visit to Latvia

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On 2 October, the President of the Republic of Rwanda, Mr Paul Kagame, will pay an official visit to Latvia. During his visit, the President of the Republic of Rwanda will meet with the highest officials of Latvia – President Edgars Rinkēvičs, Speaker of the Saeima Daiga Mieriņa and Prime Minister Evika Siliņa. During the visit of the President of Rwanda, a commemorative plaque dedicated to the victims of the 1994 Rwandan genocide against the Tutsi will be unveiled at the National Library of Latvia.

During the meeting, President of Latvia, Edgars Rinkēvičs, and President of the Republic of Rwanda, Paul Kagame, will discuss bilateral relations, current security challenges in Africa and Europe, as well as cooperation in international organisations.

Media representatives are invited to apply for accreditation to cover the official visit of the President of the Republic of Rwanda, Paul Kagame. Applications must be submitted by 1 October 2024 at 15.00 by filling in the application form prepared by the Chancery of the President of the Republic of Latvia for each person to be accredited.

Media programme, 2 October:

10:00 – Official welcoming ceremony at the Residence of the President of the Republic of Latvia
Riga Castle Square. Media opportunities: photo/video.

10:15 – Official photo/signing of the Distinguished Guests' Book
Riga Castle. Media opportunities: photo/video.

10:45 – Delegation talks between Latvia and Rwanda
Riga Castle. Media opportunities: photo/video at the beginning of the meeting.

11:20 – Joint press conference of the President of Latvia, Edgars Rinkēvičs, and the President of the Republic of Rwanda, Paul Kagame

Riga Castle. Media opportunities: photo/video/ questions.

The press conference will be live-streamed on the website of the Chancery of the President of Latvia www.president.lv/en and the social media accounts X and YouTube.

12:00 – Flower laying ceremony at the Freedom Monument

Freedom Square. Media opportunities: photo/video.

12:15 – President of the Republic of Rwanda Paul Kagame meets with Speaker of the Saeima Daiga Mieriņa

Parliament of the Republic of Latvia– Saeima, Jēkaba Street 11. Media opportunities: photo/video at the beginning of the meeting.

15:25 – President of the Republic of Rwanda Paul Kagame meets Prime Minister of Latvia Evika Siliņa

Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Latvia. Brīvības Boulevard 36. Media opportunities: photo/video at the arrival in the 1st-floor foyer at 15:25 and the start of the meeting in the Green Hall at 15:30.

16:15 – President of Latvia Edgars Rinkēvičs and President of the Republic of Rwanda Paul Kagame participate in the unveiling of a plaque commemorating the victims of the 1994 genocide perpetrated against the Tutsi in Rwanda

National Library of Latvia. Media opportunities: photo/video.

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