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President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy to pay official visit to Latvia

President of Ukraine H. E. Mr Volodymyr Zelenskyy and the First Lady of Ukraine, Mrs Olena Zelenska, will pay official visit to Latvia on 16 October.

Presidents of Latvia and Ukraine will meet at the Riga Castle to discuss bilateral relations, EU–Ukraine relations and the Three Seas Initiative.

Agenda of the visit will include official welcome ceremony of the President and the First Lady of Ukraine in the square of the Riga Castle, official meeting between the presidents and delegations of the two countries and joint press conference of the two presidents. President Levits and President Zelenskyy will then lay flowers at the Freedom Monument, after which the President of Ukraine is scheduled to meet with the Speaker of the Saeima Ināra Mūrniece and the Prime Minister of Latvia Krišjānis Kariņš. President Zelenskyy will then visit the Riga Ukrainian School, Latvian Occupation Museum, monument to the great Ukrainian poet and artist Taras Shevchenko and meet with the Ukrainian diaspora of Latvia. President of Ukraine will also reveal a memorial plaque marking the opening of the first diplomatic mission of the Ukrainian National Republic in Riga in 1920.

<u>Media accreditation</u>: <u>Access to all venues</u> for events with media participation only with special accreditation. Requests for accreditation to meeting between the President of Latvia Egils Levits and the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy must be submitted by 12:00, 14 October 2019. <u>Each media representative</u> must submit individual <u>application form</u> issued by the Chancery of the President of Latvia. Any requests for accreditation after the deadline shall not be granted.

Media events, 16 October

10:30	Official welcoming of the President of Ukraine H. E. Mr Volodymyr Zelenskyy and the First Lady of Ukraine Mrs Olena Zelenska (POOL 1) Riga Castle square Photo and video opportunity
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Arrival no later than 10:00

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10:45	Signing of the guestbook by President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy (POOL 2)
	Riga Castle Photo and video opportunity

Arrival no later than 10:15

<u>Coordinator:</u> Uģis Kozlovskis (Chancery of the President of Latvia), +371 2634 9440 Media representatives accredited for POOL 2 will not be allowed into POOL 1 events

	Meeting between Ukrainian and Latvian delegations (POOL 2)
10:50	Riga Castle
	Photo and video opportunity at the beginning

Arrival no later than 10:15

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Riga Castle	12:00-12:30	Joint press conference of the President of Latvia Egils Levits and the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy
		Riga Castle Photo and video opportunity

Arrival no later than 11:30

Working languages: Latvian and Ukrainian

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	Flower laying ceremony at the Freedom Monument
12:40	Freedom Monument
	Photo and video opportunity

Arrival no later than 12:10

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13:00	Meeting between the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy and the Speaker of the Saeima Ināra Mūrniece
	Parliament of the Republic of Latvia Photo and video opportunity before the beginning

Arrival no later than 12:30

Coordinator: Signe Apsīte (Saeima), +371 2831 2203

14:30	Meeting between the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy and the Prime Minister of Latvia Krišjānis Kariņš
	Cabinet of Ministers
	Photo and video opportunity at the beginning

Arrival no later than 14:00

Coordinator: Sabīne Spurķe (Cabinet of Ministers), +371 2060 4166

15:25	Visit of the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy to Riga Ukrainian School
	Riga Ukrainian School, 4 Visvalža Street Photo and video opportunity

Arrival no later than 15:10

Working language: Ukrainian

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16:10	Visit of the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy to Latvian
	Museum of Occupation
	Latvian Museum of Occupation, 7 Rainis Blvd.
	Photo and media opportunity

Arrival no later than 15:55

Working languages: Latvian and Ukrainian

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	Visit of the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy of the monument of great Ukrainian poet and artist Taras Shevchenko
17:00	and meeting with Ukrainian diaspora of Latvia
	Kronvalds' Park
	Photo and media opportunity

Arrival no later than 16:45

Working language: Ukrainian

Coordinator: Justine Deičmane (Chancery of the President of Latvia), +371 2618 6068

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17.40	President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy reveals memorial plaque marking the opening of the first mission of the Ukrainian National Republic in Riga in 1920
	6 Antonijas Street
	Photo and media opportunity

Arrival no later than 16:25

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NB! Media are required to follow the formal dress code: dark suit for men and business costume for ladies.