



Programme

IFZO ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 8 – 9 OCTOBER 2025

Approaches to Resilience in the Baltic Sea Region

Venue: Conference Hall, University Main Building, Domstraße 11

8 October 2025

13.00 – 17.00 REGISTRATION

14.30 – 14.45 WELCOME ADDRESS

Clemens Räthel, IFZO Spokesperson

14.45 – 16.00 **KEYNOTE: “Infrastructuring Resilience: Berlin’s Usable Pasts”**

Introduction: Sebastian van der Linden

Speaker: **Timothy Moss (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)**

16.00 – 16.30 COFFEE BREAK

16.30 – 18.00 **PANEL 1: *Resilient Regions and Landscapes***

Chair: Alexander Drost

Saara Mildeberg (Tallinn University)

“Negotiating Resilience: Cultural Tourism in a Post-Industrial Adventure Land”

Ihar Buika (University of Greifswald)

“How innovation politics (do not) become innovation policy? Elements of agonistic legitimization approach to regional innovation capacity in peripheralized regions of Eastern Germany”

Can Orhan (University of Greifswald)

“Declining Opportunities? Risk Perception in the Housing Market of Shrinking Cities in the Baltic Sea Region”

18.30 – 21.00

CONFERENCE DINNER

Brasserie Herrmann (Gützkower Str. 1)

9 October 2025

8.00 – 15.00

REGISTRATION

9.00 – 10.30

PANEL 2: *Civil Defence and Social Resilience*

Chair: Cornelia Linde

Alexandra M. Friede (Helmut-Schmidt-Universität, Hamburg)

“Preparing for the worst: everyday expressions of defence willingness in Sweden”

Marta Szulc (University of Szczecin)

“Youth policies in the EU countries of the Baltic Sea Region from the Perspective of building regional resilience”

Adrian Hyde-Price (University of Gothenburg)

“Strengthening Resilience in the Baltic Sea Region: Lessons from Sweden and the Nordic Countries”

10.30 – 11.00

COFFEE BREAK

11.00 – 12.30

PANEL 3: *Resilience and Academia*

Chair: Franziska Sajdak

Susanne Kabatnik (Trier University)

“Resilience: Everyone loves it. Everyone needs it. But what is it? A linguistic perspective”

Martin Kerntopf (University of Greifswald)

“Research Security in Academia”

12.30 – 13.30

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13.30 – 15.00 **PANEL 4: Resilience and Security**

Chair: Andris Banka

Radhey Wadhwa (Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi)
“Building Climate Resilience through WEF Nexus”

Agnieszka Kuszewska-Bohnert (Jagiellonian University in Kraków)
“Small states’ agency and shelter vis-à-vis China: Estonia and Lithuania as case studies”

Thoi Takhellambam (Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi)
“Crisis Narratives and the Construction of Baltic Unity in the Shadow of the Ukraine War”

15.00 – 15.30 COFFEE BREAK

15.30 – 17.00 **ROUNDTABLE**

“Civil Defence and Resilience”, Politics and Academia in Dialogue

Moderator: Victoria Oertel

Nicolas Bock (Freie Universität Berlin)

Kazimierz Musiał (Council of the Baltic Sea States)

Wolfgang Schmülling (Ministry of the Interior and Building, MV)

18.00 – 21.00 RECEPTION and EXHIBITION OPENING “Wikingergold. Schatzpolitik seit 1800”

Pomeranian State Museum (Rakower Str. 9)

Welcome Addresses:

Ruth Slenczka (Pomeranian State Museum)

Maren Heun (Stralsund Museum)

Daniel Schiller (University of Greifswald)

Isabelle Dolezalek and Charlotte Wenke (TU Berlin / University of Greifswald)