



Baltic-American
Freedom Foundation

Baltic-American Security Exchange Program

“The Baltic-American Security Exchange (BASE) Program addresses a key element of the BAFF Mission of deepening the ties among Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and the United States based on shared democratic values. Democracies must protect the freedom and security of their people. The BASE supports national security enhancement efforts by the three Baltic states consistent with the BAFF mission, facilitating the exchange of critical knowledge and enhancing contacts between Baltic and U.S. security professionals.”

Amb. Mike Polt, BAFF BASE Committee chair

The objective of the Baltic-American Security Exchange (BASE) is to support national security enhancement efforts by the three Baltic states, consistent with the mission of the Baltic-American Freedom Foundation and based on an unwavering commitment by the United States to Baltic security.

Funded projects will facilitate the exchange of critical knowledge and establish useful contacts between Baltic and U.S. security experts and make other tangible contributions in Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania.

Proposals may be initiated by Baltic or U.S. entities, whether private or public, either individually or in collaboration, with project priorities including Baltic-based civil preparedness initiatives, institutionalized support for junior diplomats and other security professional training, and high-visibility Baltic conferences.

Baltic-based civil preparedness projects

Baltic and U.S. governmental and public and private sector organizations implementing projects specifically aligned with the respective Baltic states' national security policy, to include:

- Civil defense and crisis preparedness
- Strategies for cyber resilience
- Energy and telecommunications
- Economic resilience in practice, etc.
- Independent press

Preparedness efforts and support for civil society will benefit a range of situations such as natural disasters or energy supply interruptions, as well as defense-related scenarios.

Institutionalization of support for junior diplomats and other security professional training

We invite applications for relevant engagement with U.S. counterparts in a variety of security sectors, both public and private, ranging from diplomacy to defense, border security, trans-national crime, and intelligence. BASE support decisions would normally require that sponsoring ministries, individual participants, and other partners each fund some portion of the cost of program attendance.

High-visibility Baltic conferences

Continued support to major Baltic Security conferences.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:

FEBRUARY 1 | APRIL 1 | JUNE 1 | NOVEMBER 15

TO APPLY:

DOWNLOAD THE APPLICATION

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