

**International Congress of Belarusian Studies – 2025**  
**Humboldt Universität zu Berlin**

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**General Program**

**Thursday, September 25, 2025**

08:00-09:30 Registration (Invalidenstraße 42, HS10)

09:30-10:00 *Welcome Coffee*

**10:00-10:30 Opening Speeches (Invalidenstraße 42, HS10)**

Speakers list:

1. Prof. Dr. Susanne Frank (Humboldt University, Head of the Department of East Slavic Literature and Culture at Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, Member of the Organizing Committee: Coordinator from the German side)
2. Gabriele Baumann (Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Head of the Belarus Office)
3. European Commission representative (TBC)
4. Prof. dr hab. Jerzy Grzybowski (Chairperson of the Scientific Council, Institute of Central and East European Intercultural Studies, University of Warsaw)
5. Lithuanian embassy representative in Germany (TBC)
6. Knut Abraham (Member of the German Bundestag, CDU) (TBC)
7. Rūstis Kamuntavičius (Grand Duchy of Lithuania Institute, Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania) – Head of the Organizing Committee

**10:30-11:30 Plenary Session. Part I. (Invalidenstraße 42, HS10)**

**Discussion Topic: Belarus on the European map. How the EU see it now and what to expect in the near future?**

1. Mantas Jakimavičius (MFA Republic of Lithuania, Deputy Director, Special Envoy for Eastern Partnership, Eastern Neighbourhood Policy Department)
2. Prof. Dr. Gwendolyn Sasse (Scientific Director of ZOiS, Member of the Board of the DGO, Professorship for Comparative Democracy and Authoritarianism at Humboldt Universität zu Berlin)
3. Michael Nowak (Head of Division for Russia, Belarus and Regional Organisations CIS, CSTO, EAEU, Auswärtiges Amt (Federal Foreign Office) Germany)
4. Prof. Mariusz Maszkiewicz (Cardinal Wyszyński University in Warsaw, editor-in-chief of the academic yearbook Free Belarus Journal, Polish diplomat, ambassador to Belarus 1998–2002 and Georgia 2016–2024)

11:30-12:00 *Coffee Break*

**12:00-13:00 Plenary Session. Part II (Invalidenstraße 42, HS10)**

Discussion topic and speakers (TBC)

13:00-15:00 *Lunch*

15:00-16:30 Work in Sections (Dorotheenstraße 24)

16:30-17:00 *Coffee Break*

17:00-19:00 Work in Sections (Dorotheenstraße 24)

## **Friday, September 26, 2025**

09:00-10:30 Work in Sections (Dorotheenstraße 24)

10:30-11:00 *Coffee Break*

11:00-13:00 Work in Sections (Dorotheenstraße 24)

13:00-14:30 *Lunch*

14:30-16:00 Work in Sections (Dorotheenstraße 24)

16:00-16:30 *Coffee Break*

16:30-18:00 Presentations and Round Tables (Dorotheenstraße 24)

**18:30-19:30 Congress Award Ceremony (Dorotheenstraße 24, Fritz-Reuter-Saal)**

## **Saturday, September 27, 2025**

09:00-10:30 Work in Sections (Dorotheenstraße 24)

10:30-11:00 *Coffee Break*

10:00-12:30 Work in Sections (Dorotheenstraße 24)

**13:00-14:00 Congress Closing Session (Unter den Linden 6, Senate Hall)**