



## Organic Milk production in the Nordic countries

### LATVIA

### Program August 17<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> 2026

#### August 17<sup>th</sup>

From 16:00 arrival at hotel <https://slokenbeka.lv/par-mums/>

We have made prereservation- price will be 30 euro pers/night +breakfast ~12 euro/pers. You don't need to make a reservation.

A tour of the museum or a master class in traditional cheese-making

Dinner, information and socializing

#### August 18<sup>th</sup>

1. Farm Zāģeri- A family farm run by a husband and wife- young farmers

1 De Laval milking robot.

They farm approximately 195 hectares of agricultural land, most of which consists of grasslands. In addition, they grow wheat and oats.

The wife's passion is horses, so there are horses on the farm.

The farmers are focused on growth and development, so their future plans include building a young stock barn. They have been actively involved in an discussion group for several years.

They also work with a livestock consultant to prepare feed rations for both dairy cows and young stock.

Meeting with discussion group participants

2. Presentation- about Organic farming in Latvia and first bioregion in Latvia

(<https://bioregions.lv/en/bioregions/kas-ir-bioregions/>) - Lāsma Ozola

Board member of the "GreenFest" Association and the Latvian Organic Agriculture Association

3. Information about Horizon project OrganicClimateNET- results of emissions calculations on organic dairy farms in Latvia- Silvija Dreijere

4. Visit to an organic farm at Kuldīgas region—home production, direct sales.

5. Visit organic field trials at The State Stende Breeding Station (optional)
6. Visit to Vilomix Baltic factory. Vilomix Baltic is an animal nutrition solutions company specializing in the development of mineral feeds and supplements for various agricultural sectors, including cattle farming. It is part of the Denmark-based Vilomix Group, bringing Northern European expertise and high-quality standards to the Baltic market. The company also offers solutions tailored to organic farms and professional consulting services to optimize animal feeding.

### **August 19<sup>th</sup>**

Work session- information from countries

-Innovative pasture monitoring for effective management, ruminant feeding optimization and emission reduction in Latvian climatic conditions (GanIT)- innovation project - Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies (LBTU) Dr.med.vet. Ilga Šematoviča

- Innovative technologic solutions for dehorning alternatives in cattle herds- innovation project- Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies (LBTU) Mg.agr. Elita Aplociņa

Visit at dairy plant “Tukuma Piens”. Info about project “Development of scientifically justified fermented dairy products from organic milk and their clinical study”

A/S “Tukuma Piens” is one of the largest dairy processors in Latvia and produces more than 180 different dairy products, including organic products under the “Baltais EKO” brand: yogurt, cottage cheese, cream, kefir, and others.

Currently, A/S “Tukuma Piens” is the largest organic milk processing company in Latvia; it began processing organic milk in 2011.

May be one more farm visit

**Welcome to Latvia!**