

Europe Day in Tallinn – what is it all about?

We are inviting you to take part in the traditional Europe Day event “Through Europe in a Day” that will take place on Saturday, 8 May from 11 AM to 5 PM in Tallinn.

“Through Europe in a Day” is a free event to celebrate the Europe Day. It offers the general public both entertainment and an opportunity to visit embassies of EU Member States and the EU House. At the same time families can enjoy the entertainment provided at the Tammsaare Park.

This year is the Estonian Year of Reading and thus the main theme of “Through Europe in a Day” is literature. Many activities will take place in Tammsaare Park throughout the day: presentations, exhibitions, performances, quizzes and games. Some embassies are not hosting events in their own premises and have decided to introduce their homeland and its literature in Tammsaare Park. There will be plenty of action and entertainment for everybody!

The focal point of the Open Doors Day is the passport game where participants gather stamps from the participating embassies. (You can find out more about the game [here](#).) In order to collect the stamps, players have a “passport” that they can get from any of the organizations participating at the event or from one of the desks in Tammsaare Park. Passports contain information on all the EU Members States and also a map of Tallinn to make it easier to spot all those embassies. Participants should have their passports stamped in all the places they visit and if they manage to collect the stamps of all the participating embassies, their passports will be entered into a draw. **The three main prizes will be travel vouchers amounting to 15 000, 10 000 and 5000 EEK (the winner can chose the destination and time of travel). There will also be smaller prizes donated by the embassies.**

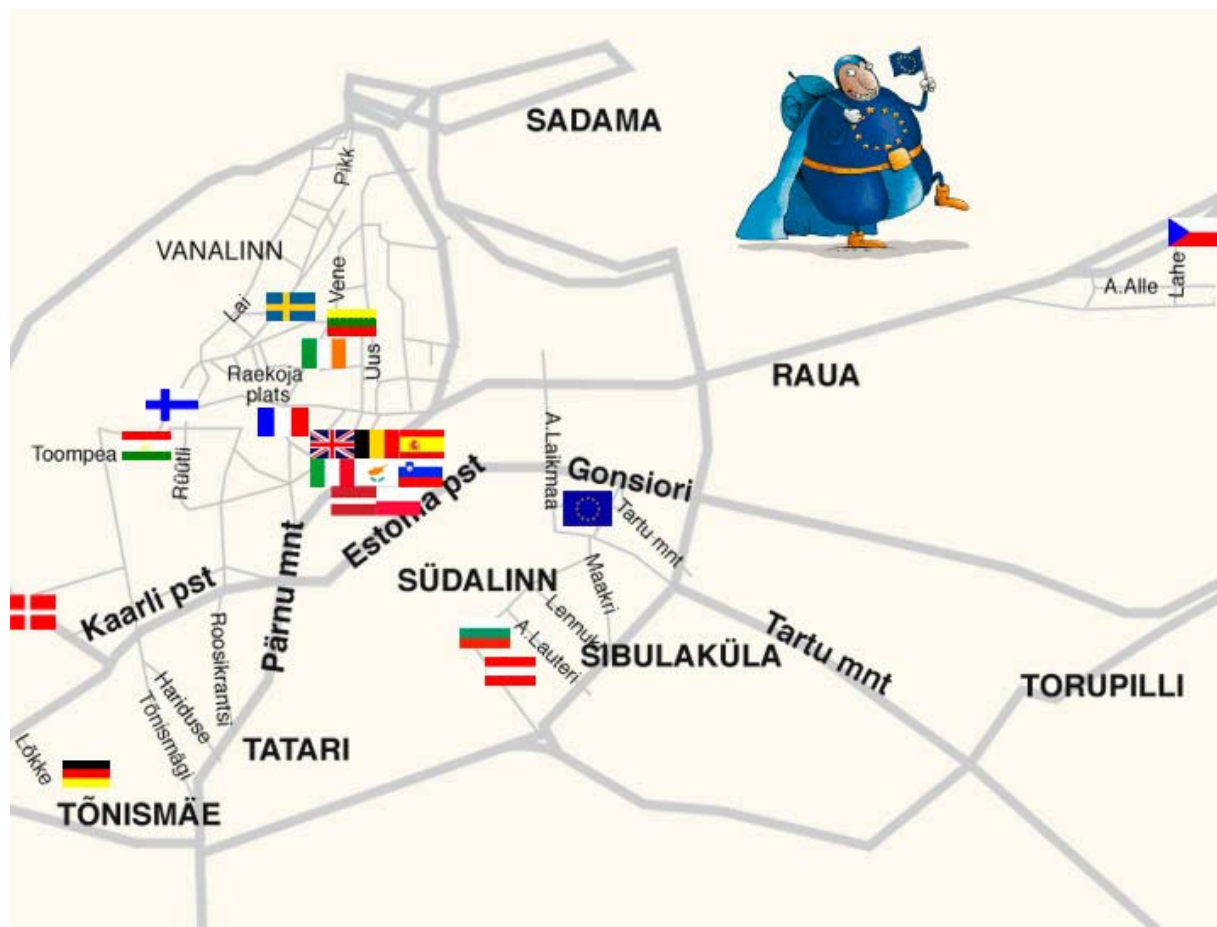
Come and visit majestic embassy buildings and acquire new knowledge about European countries, literature and international organizations. Take along your friends and let’s meet on 8 May!

HOW CAN I TAKE PART?

In order to participate in the game:

- get yourself a “passport” in any of the participating embassies, in Tammsaare Park or in the EU House
- write your contact data on the first page
- visit all the organizations participating in the “Through Europe in a Day!” in no particular order (altogether 13 locations marked on the map)
- take part in the events and activities in various locations and ask for a stamp on the page in your passport corresponding to the particular location
- you need 20 stamps in total*
- leave the stamped passport in the last location you visited or bring it to the information marquee in the Tammsaare park
- all the passports with a complete set of stamps will be entered into a draw where on 14 May three travel vouchers (for 15 000, 10 000 and 5000 kroons) to go to any European country and smaller prizes will be given out

* Hint: In Tammsaare Park you can find the marquees of eight embassies and the Estonian Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Foreign Affairs and collect altogether nine stamps – an excellent place to start your stamp-hunt!



TAMMSAARE PARK:

STAGE SHOW*

11.00 – opening words by hosts of the day, Mr Oscar Wilde and Eduard Vilde (Ain Mäeots and Margus Jaanovits)

11.00 Young people will distribute passports and provide information on the events of the day

11.05 Bulgarian Embassy presents: Vassili Zopovitsh' Duo

11.20 - Amargo Flamenco dancers

11.35 – Quiz “Know your Estonian authors” lead by Mr Wilde and Mr Vilde

12.00 – Young actors from the Viimsi secondary schools will perform a passage from the theatre play „Hecuba pärast“ („For Hecuba“)

12.30 – Performers from the festival of young bands 2010

12.45 – Quiz on European literature lead by Mr Vilde and Mr Wilde

13.00 – Speeches

13.15 - Performers from the festival of young bands 2010

13.45 – Dancers from the Viimsi school

14.00 – The audience will help to perform a Euro dance

14.15 – Trio Unique

14.30 – German Embassy presents: The 21. School Tallinn:

a modern Performance “Die Leiden des jungen Werther” by J. W. Goethe (in German)

14.45 – Yes/No game about all things European lead by Mr Vilde and Mr Wilde
15.00 – Special guests!
Ska Faktor + Contra = music + poetry. Something you have never seen on stage before!
15.55 Setting the European record in reading the first sentence from “Spring” by Oskar Luts.
Lead by Mr Wilde a Mr Vilde
16.15 - Ska Faktor continues
16.55-17.00 End of the event, see you next year!
* Organisers reserve the right to make changes to the programme

Karlsson-on-the-Roof will be welcoming children in a special marquee all day long from 11.00-17.00.

The programme will include

- Contests
- Games on the theme of children’s books
- Mind games
- Propeller-building competition
- Karlsson’s wallpaper – making the world’s longest drawing
- Dances and songs with Karlsson
- Face painting

All day long it is possible to craft your own paper souvenirs using recycling techniques. You can make sand pictures, produce paper or make little books.

It is also possible to visit a library on wheels: the mobile library Katariina Jee from the Central Library of Tallinn (<http://www.keskraamatukogu.ee/index.php?id=20043>). The mobile library will display travel books from European countries and children can solve various quizzes.

- **British Embassy**

From Dickens to Dumbledore, discover English Literature through the ages at the British Embassy stall.

You can also learn about the Embassy’s work from our staff and ask an education advisor about studying opportunities in the UK.

Plus in our ‘climate change corner’ we will be showing The Age of Stupid (www.ageofstupid.net) and handing out green tips.

Once you’ve done all that, why not join Ambassador Peter Carter for a relaxing cup of Tetley tea?

- **Belgian Embassy**

The Belgian marquee will offer you Belgian national dishes. You can take part in a quiz on Belgium and win prizes! A large variety of materials will also be available on Belgium in general and on travelling in the country.

- **Spanish Embassy**

The Spanish marquee will provide information about different regions of the country. Students of the Spanish language will be performing poetry in Spanish and translating it into Estonian. You can participate in quizzes and win prizes related to Spain.

- **Italian Embassy**

- **Cypriot Embassy**

The Cypriot marquee will provide information about this wonderful island: when to visit, how to get there, what sort of landscapes you can expect and what sort of entertainment they provide.

- **Slovenian Embassy**

You can find information about Slovenia and travel opportunities in Slovenia in this marquee.

- **Latvian Embassy**

“A taste of Latvia” is what you can find in this marquee. A variety of products from bread to sweets will be available for sampling. Lots of information materials will be provided about Latvia and travel opportunities over there.

- **Polish Embassy**

- **Estonian Ministry of Finance**

In the marquee of the Ministry of Finance you can get information about EU grants and get an insight into what has been achieved with the help of these grants. There will be souvenirs and balloons and visitors can take part in various quizzes and competitions to win prizes. You can also watch short TV programs about projects that have been accomplished with the help of EU grants.

- **Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

The writer, journalist and film director Imbi Paju will give an overview of her activities as a volunteer cultural ambassador of Estonia in the world. She will also introduce her book “Memories denied”.

Various officials of the Ministry will be present in the marquee to answer questions and provide information about consular services and Estonian embassies and consulates abroad.

Embassies and other organisations that have opened their doors:

- **The EU House**
Rävala 4

There will be entertainment for the entire family throughout the day hosted by Emil Rutiku. Did you know that the EU has 23 official languages? Everyone can test their knowledge about the EU and European literature and win lots of prizes.

Children can participate in a workshop where they can learn how to produce your own paper and turn it into a book. No need to bring anything, all the materials for making paper will be provided.

You are most welcome!

- **Finnish Embassy**
Kohtu 4

The Embassy building that is remarkable both for its history and architecture will be open to all visitors. Everyone can enjoy the spectacular view of Tallinn from the Embassy balcony.

A marquee will be set up in the Embassy courtyard where you can find information materials about Finland and sample Finnish national dishes. Visitors who come equipped with the passport of the day will also be offered pancakes. There will be live music and at a special stand of the Apollo bookstore you can acquaint yourself with contemporary Finnish literature that has been translated into Estonian.

- **German Embassy**

Toom-Kuninga 11

Lots of events will take place throughout the day both in the embassy building and the courtyard.

– The Tallinn Goethe Institute has made sure you can take an introductory course in German.

13.00-13.30 Instant German for beginners – no prior knowledge of German required

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15.00-15.30 Instant German for advanced learners

– A marquee where you can buy German products: German beer, cheeses and other delicacies.

– A quiz on German literature

– Children's corner with jigsaw puzzles and books

– You can check out the newest BMW model!

– The following organisations will be introducing themselves:

- **DAAD (students' advisory service)**
- **GOETHE INSTITUTE /THE GERMAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE IN TALLINN**
- **GERMAN NATIONAL TOURIST BOARD**
- **THE KONRAD ADENAUER FOUNDATION**
- **THE FRIEDRICH EBERT FOUNDATION**
- **THE GERMAN-BALTIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

- **Danish Embassy**

Wismari 5

The Royal Danish Embassy will introduce the Danish and Nordic cuisines. There are cookbooks and other information materials displayed.

At 12:00-14:00 Peeter Pihel, the chef of Pädaste Manor, talks about Danish cooking and the concept of New Nordic Food.

The Year of Reading is marked in cooperation with the Danish Cultural Institute with a little exhibition of books translated from Danish into Estonian. Children may spend some time in the reading and drawing corner.

- **Lithuanian Embassy**

Uus tn 15

The visitors will be able to get acquainted with the baroque style embassy building which is considered to be the most attractive building on Uus street. Although the door frame bears the date 1751, the building itself is a lot older. It is thought that the basement and the ground floor date back to the Swedish rule in Estonia in the second half of the 17 century.

Lithuanian Ambassador H.E. Alfonsas Eidintas will present his books "Looking for the Moscow Sphinx".

You can also find all sorts of information about Lithuania and watch different films.

- **Swedish Embassy**

Pikk 28

In the beautiful building of the Swedish Embassy you can sample Swedish/Nordic food and find information on travelling or studying opportunities in Sweden. Many Swedish companies are

there to present themselves. There is an exhibition on Swedish children's literature. Translations of Swedish authors into Estonian will also be presented. Guests can take part in a quiz on Sweden. Everybody can get information on the royal wedding – the Swedish Crown Princess Victoria will be getting married on 19 June 2010.

Naturally, there will be Swedish music playing at the Embassy all day through.

- **Czech Embassy**
Lahe 4

The gorgeous Embassy building at the edge of Kadrioru Park will house an exhibition of Czech books that have been translated into Estonian. In the courtyard you can check out new Škoda models.

Embassy staff will be there to tell you all about travelling and studying opportunities in the Czech Republic. You can find information materials and watch films about the country.

- **Bulgarian Embassy**
A. Lauteri 5

The Embassy will provide lots of interesting activities.

- Texts by Bulgarian authors will be read out by students of the Bulgarian language from the Tallinn University, by Bulgarians living in Estonia and by anyone else who wants to give it a try. In addition to Bulgarian, the texts will also be read out in Estonian, Russian and English.
- Exhibition of books by Bulgarian authors.
- Public lectures on Bulgarian literature by professors of the Tallinn University.
- Films on Bulgaria

- **French Cultural Centre**
Kuninga 4

Lots of fascinating activities for people of all ages!

- Quiz on French literature for 8 to 15 year-olds. The winner can go to the festival "Francofolies de la Rochelle" in France in July 2010. The quiz can be taken as of 10 April 2010 and it can be found on our website www.ccf.ee. The deadline for answering is 3 May 2010.
- Quiz "How well do you know France?" in Estonian. Anyone can take part and the quiz will last all day on 8 May. Answers to the quiz can be found in the French Cultural Centre. Prizes will be drawn at 2PM and 5PM.
- Information stand on the Cultural Centre, information on the multimedia library and on French classes.
- Information stand on France: on tourism, language courses and studying opportunities in France.
- French cartoons will be aired all day in children's corner.
- Sing-along karaoke and music videos in French on big screen.
- Exhibition of French books translated into Estonian
- Drop by and pick up free books in French

- **Hungarian Institute**
Piiskopi 2

Exhibition by Hungarian artist Göbolyös Luca called "Sunday girls". Information materials will be available on Hungarian culture and language and travelling in Hungary.

- **Austrian Embassy**
Vambola 6

All the guests will get a book about Vienna. Information materials will be available on travelling and studying in Austria.

- **Irish Embassy**
Vene 2

Exhibition on James Joyce. Film on the world famous Irish author Samuel Beckett. Presentations about the life and works of each of these artists.

There are lots of materials on display about Ireland, its history, sights, economy, nature, and national dishes. Embassy staff will be there to welcome you, answer your questions and provide information about Ireland. The theme of the day is “Ireland in Europe”.

NB! The Irish Embassy will be open until 4PM!