THERA-BALT Kick-off Meeting:

Launching the Baltic Centre of Excellence in Theranostics

7 December 2026

Santariškių str. 1, Vilnius

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Time	Session	Speaker
09:00–09:30	**Registration and welcome coffee** Santariškių str. 1, Prof. Kazimieras Pelčaras Hall (2nd floor)	
PART I — OFFICIAL OPENING Santariškių str. 1, Prof. Kazimieras Pelčaras Hall		
09:30–09:40	**Opening**	
09:40–10:10	**Welcome addresses** Consortium partners, representatives of Lithuanian ministries	*[Names to be confirmed]*
10:10–10:25	**Address by the European Research Executive Agency (REA)** The Teaming for Excellence programme and REA expectations for the centre of excellence	Angelica Valente, REA Project Officer [remote]
10:25–10:40	**THERA-BALT in brief** Vision, objectives, partners and the 60-month path towards a centre of excellence	Jonas Venius (coordinating institution, National Cancer Institute), Project Coordinator
10:40–10:50	**Group photo**	
10:50–11:20	**Coffee break**	
PART II — SCIENTIFIC MINI-CONFERENCE: THERANOSTICS IN THE BALTIC REGION Santariškių str. 1, Prof. Kazimieras Pelčaras Hall		
11:20–11:25	**Introduction to the conference**	Moderator
11:25–11:55	**From radium-223 to next-generation alpha therapies**	Øyvind Bruland (Oslo University Hospital)
11:55–12:15	**Emerging trends in molecular imaging: novel PET tracers and theranostic opportunities**	Rune Sundset (University Hospital of North Norway)
12:15–12:30	**Oslo University Hospital: radionuclide therapy from Xofigo to the present**	Eivor Eugenie Hellstrøm Hoddev Hernes (Oslo University Hospital)
12:30–12:50	**Design and synthesis of targeted radiotheranostic probes for the THERA-BALT project**	Yaw-Kuen Li (National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University, Taiwan)
12:50–13:40	**Lunch**	
13:40–14:00	**Tumour proteomics and target discovery**	Mindaugas Valius (Vilnius University)
14:00–14:20	**Chemical solutions for radioisotope delivery**	Vaidas Klimkevičius (Vilnius University)
14:20–14:40	**From CAIX inhibitor to radiopharmaceutical: a target we already have**	Daumantas Matulis (Vilnius University)
14:40–14:45	**Conference closing**	Moderator
14:45–14:55	**Transfer to Baublio str. 3B / short break**	

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PART III — THERA-BALT CONSORTIUM WORKING SESSION Baublio str. 3B, Auditorium 113		**Consortium members only**
14:55–15:00	**Welcome and objectives**	Jonas Venius, Project Coordinator
15:00–15:25	**REA perspective: managing a Teaming grant, Q&A**	Angelica Valente, REA Project Officer
15:25–15:50	**The first 12 months: M1–M12 plan, M1–M6 in depth, CoE roadmap**	National Cancer Institute Project Management Team
15:50–16:15	**WP1–WP7 highlights from the pre-KoM**	Work Package Leaders
16:15–16:25	**Short break**	
16:25–16:50	**1st General Assembly (beneficiaries): decisions; how we work together**	General Assembly chair; National Cancer Institute Project Management Team
16:50–17:05	**Take-home actions per WP (1–2 slides each); upcoming meetings; closing**	Work Package Leaders; Jonas Venius
EVENING SOMM, Pylimo str. 21, Vilnius Old Town		**Invited guests only**
17:10–18:00	**Bus transfer to Vilnius Old Town**	
18:00–18:30	**Short cultural walk in Vilnius Old Town**	
18:30–21:00	**Networking dinner at SOMM, Pylimo str. 21** Food and soft drinks will be served	

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