



## Footprints of the Early Modern Book: Transnational Mobility between the Low Countries and the Baltic Sea Region

### Welcome to Riga!

Riga, the vibrant capital of Latvia, embodies a rich tapestry of history and contemporary life! Wander through the UNESCO-acclaimed Old Town where medieval allure blends with modern architecture, admire the city's iconic Art Nouveau architecture which surrounds its streets with an exquisite combination of mystique and elegance.

### National Library of Latvia

The National Library of Latvia or the Castle of Light. This is one of the most significant cultural buildings in the history of restored Latvia. The library's new building was opened in August 2014, designed by the world-renowned Latvian architect Gunnar Birkerts.

The library also houses the "Dainu skapis" (Cabinet of Folksongs), a world cultural treasure included in the UNESCO Memory of the World Register. The core of the library collection of more than four million items is the national heritage – materials about Latvia and Latvians, Latvian and foreign publications, as well as works by Latvian authors.

### Transport

Transport from/ to Riga International Airport:  
[www.riga-airport.com/en/transport-0](http://www.riga-airport.com/en/transport-0)

### Venues

25 and 26 November – National Library of Latvia  
[\[https://maps.app.goo.gl/MQEJKRFSsf2cDk4n9\]](https://maps.app.goo.gl/MQEJKRFSsf2cDk4n9)

Public transport stop: Nacionala biblioteka (National Library)

27 November – Museum of the History of Riga and Navigation  
[\[https://maps.app.goo.gl/f6vKSyQMo29knr6Q9\]](https://maps.app.goo.gl/f6vKSyQMo29knr6Q9)

Source: Live Riga un Riga Airport

## Accommodation

Conference organizers have negotiated best rates for your accommodation in two hotels.

Wellton Riverside & SPA

Promo code: *LNB2024*

-10% off when booking in [www.wellton.com/en](http://www.wellton.com/en)

Bellevue Park Hotel Riga

Promo code: *BIBLIOTEKA*

Special offer price when booking in [hotelbellevue.lv](http://hotelbellevue.lv)

## Information about Riga

[www.liveriga.com/en/visit](http://www.liveriga.com/en/visit)

A3 MAP with main attractions and museums of Riga, as well as main public transport lines. The National Library of Latvia is marked Nr.47, Museum of History of Riga and Navigation Nr.17.

Riga best sights

## Where to eat in Riga?

Two cafes (11 – 19) and a self-service restaurant (11-15) are available in the National Library.

### Lunch&dinner

Annas dārzs

Milda

### Vegan options

Mazā terapija

Miit

Vegstop.lv Vegan Brands Pop-up cafe

### Latvian cuisine

Forest

Kolonāde. Mūsu stāsti

Folk club ALA Pagrabs

## Practical information:

The weather in Riga end of November will probably be rather unpleasant with temperatures around 0 and a high possibility of rain.

Payment card is the most frequently used payment in restaurants and shops

## Contacts

If you have any questions, please contact Ineta Vaivode, National Library of Latvia.

E-mail: [ineta.vaivode@lnb.lv](mailto:ineta.vaivode@lnb.lv)

Source: Live Riga un Riga Airport