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In this telebridge/video discussion, Riekstiņš will discuss Baltic/West-Russian relations in the area of security policy as well as the nature of a career in the foreign service. Following his talk, he will field questions from the audience.