Rinkevics and Linkevicius discuss security and energy issues at ASEM meeting

From November 11 through 13, Foreign Minister Edgars Rinkevics is taking part in the 11th ASEM (Asia-Europe Meeting) Foreign Ministers’ Meeting held in Delhi, India. The theme of this year’s meeting is ASEM: Bridge to Partnership for Growth and Development, and the event is devoted to the promotion of economic growth and sustainable development in Europe and Asia, as well as non-traditional security threats common for both regions, the Foreign Ministry's Press and Information Division informed LETA.

In his address, Rinkevics focused on food, water and energy security, accentuating the need for reasonable use of natural and energy resources. “Differences in regional and national policies hinder access to water, earth and other resources, which in turn affects the accessibility of food and entails tension and disagreement between countries. We in Europe and Asia should be able to cooperate and create the required instruments for the prevention of such shortcomings and for the improvement of regional cooperation, which is a vital prerequisite to sustainable development. During its Presidency of the Council of the European Union in the first half of 2015, Latvia will actively promote the Europe-Asia multicultural dialogue and movement towards the Millennium Development Goals,” said Rinkevics.

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