

President Toomas Hendrik Ilves will meet today in Helsinki with the Head of State of Finland, Sauli Niinistö, and will discuss the future of the common European digital market with the former European Commission Commissioner for Digital Agenda, Neelie Kroes, at Slush, a conference that focuses on information technology and start-up companies.

At the meeting with President Niinistö, President Ilves will raise IT co-operation between Estonia and Finland as the main issue. They will also discuss the migration crisis that is affecting all European countries and the security-related challenges that Europe is facing in general.

President Ilves will also take part in the Slush conference, an international event that takes place for the eighth time. Experts, entrepreneurs and interested parties from all over the world will be present at the event. The goal of the conference is to bring together the creators of start-up companies and international investors and company leaders. This year, according to the organisers, Slush expects to receive 15,000 people, including 1,600 representatives of start-up companies and 800 investors.

The Head of State will return to Estonia tonight.

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