

On 19 September, President Toomas Hendrik Ilves will fly for a working visit to the United States of America where he will participate in the 66th Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The Estonian Head of State will give a presentation at the general forum of the General Assembly of the global organisation on 21 September, between 7:30 pm and 8 pm, Estonian time. The presentation of President Ilves will focus on the UN's role in the 21st century, the Arabian Spring, cyber threats and environmental problems.

In New York, President Ilves will participate in the opening event of Open Governance Partnership – an international initiative that is aimed at transparent governance and the involvement of civil society. As one of the states involved in the programme, Estonia is willing to share its experiences on open society.

President Ilves will meet in New York with Boris Tadić, the leader of one of the Balkan's key countries, Serbia, to discuss the situation in the region and Serbia's integration with the European Union.

The Estonian Head of State will also take part in the reception given by the United States of America, Barack Obama, with other heads of state who are arriving in New York, and also in the events organised by the Lebanese Head of State, Michel Sleiman, and Finnish President, Tarja Halonen, as well as meeting with journalists from Wall Street Journal and Financial Times.

President Ilves will also visit the producer of business software, Erply, which IT specialists describe as the "Skype of economic software".

President Ilves and Mrs. Evelin Ilves will meet with the Estonian diaspora in New York in the Estonian House of New York.

Mrs. Evelin Ilves will be giving a presentation at an international conference dedicated to

healthy school lunches, which is being organised by the Finnish UN representation in New York.

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