

Estonia

Right of Reply

Thank you, mister moderator.

I would like to respond to the accusations presented earlier regarding aggressive nationalism and neo-Nazism in Estonia.

Estonian Government has repeatedly condemned the crimes of Nazis and other totalitarian regimes. All such accusations are merely attempts to misinform, create mistrust and split the society. Estonia takes all occurrences of Nazism, racism and xenophobia very seriously and brings to justice all individuals who incite racial and ethnic hatred, including collaborators of occupational regimes, who have committed crimes against humanity.

These accusations are deeply offensive to the Estonian people. It is regrettable that there are people who wish to use the tragic events that took place more than sixty years ago in order to portray Estonia in incorrect manner. In addition, they contribute to misleading the focus from serious problems with the surge of aggressive forms of extremism in some countries that deserve our attention.