Study Conferences on BALTEX

1995: Gotland
1998: Rügen
2001: Åland
2004: Bornholm
2007: Saaremaa
2010: Wolin
2013: Öland
Öland is the second largest Swedish island and the smallest of the traditional provinces of Sweden.

Öland has an area of 1,342 km² and is located in the Baltic Sea just off the coast of Småland.

The island has 25,000 inhabitants, but during Swedish midsummer it is visited by up to 500,000 people.

It is separated from the mainland by the Kalmar Strait and connected to it by the 6 km Öland bridge, which opened in 1972.
Possible Conference Locations

1. Strand Hotel in Borgholm
2. Golf Club Ekerum
3. Hotel Skansen in Färjestaden

- **Strandnära Hostel/B&B**
  - http://www.strandnara.com
  - 26 rooms, prices from 22 €

- **SÖDRA BRUKET**
  - http://www.sodrabruket.se/
  - 60 rooms, prices from 38€ rooms/65€ for a flat per day

- **STF Hostel Hagaby**
  - 22 rooms, prices from 33 €

- **Rosenfors Vandrarhem Borgholm**
  - http://www.rosenforsherrgard.se/
  - 22 rooms

- **Halltorps Gästgiveri**
  - http://www.halltorpsgastgiveri.se
  - 36 rooms, prices from 150€

- **STF/VH Vandrarhem i Ölands Skogsby**
  - http://www.vandrarhskogsby.se/
  - 16 rooms, prices from 25€

- **MÖRBY Vandrarhem**
  - http://www.morbyhotell.se/index.php
  - 8 rooms, prices from 38€

- **STF Vandrarhem Stora Frögården**
  - http://www.storafrogarden.se/
  - 28 rooms, prices from 35€

- **Allégården Kastlösa**
  - 30 rooms, prices from 35€
How to get to Öland:

By car:
from Kalmar via the Öland bridge

By plane:
International Airport: Stockholm
Domestic to Kalmar Airport

By bus or train from Stockholm:
SWEBUS Bustours daily between Stockholm and Öland, seven stops on Öland, from Färjestaden via Borgholm to Byxelkrok harbor (approx. 6 hours, 65€)

By train to Kalmar, then by public bus
There is a public busnet on Öland with connection to Kalmar

By ferry:
The car and passenger ferry M/S Solsund runs between Oskarshamn and Byxelkrok during summer.
Social event – ideas:

Conference Dinner
at Borgholm Slot
(~70 € per person)

Bicycle Tour
A guided bycicle tour of 20-30km duration: 4 hours

Bus Tour to special places on Öland:
A guided bus tour to Eketorp ruin, Ölands museum himmelsberga, Sollidens Slott, to the Stora Alvaret, which is a limestone barren plain on the island and has been designated as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO due to its extraordinary biodiversity and prehistory.
Decisions for BSSG #27:

• **Decision on the venue**
  – Hotel Strand/Borgholm
  – Hotel Skansen/Färjestaden
  – Ekerum Golf Club

• **Decision on the date**
  – Week 3 – 7 June 2013 (week #23) 6 June is a Swedish public holiday
  – Week 10 – 14 June 2013 (week #24)

  Swedish midsummer vacations start in the week of 21 June

• **Further milestones:**
  – September 2011 (2 years ahead): Date and venue finally fixed
  – January 2012 (1,5 years ahead): 1st announcement published, requires particularly: Conference committee and main themes fixed !
  – September 2012: 2nd announcement published