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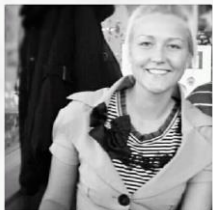
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I am from the biggest island in Estonia, Saaremaa. I have studied in Tallinn University of Technology in faculty of economics.

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Liisa Pakosta is a dedicated mother of five children, a cultural heritage activist and active in both state-level and local non-governmental institutions and politics. She is a member of board on Estonian conservative party - Pro Patria and Res Publica Union, a member of Estonian parliament for the second term. At parliament, her main focuses are education, life-long learning, youth issues, environment and cultural heritage protection, European Union affairs and anti-corruption activities. Liisa is an awaited speaker to seminars and conferences, she is also known for mentoring young politicians and cultural heritage professionals.

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I am 18 years old and finishing my high school studies in Tartu Commercial Gymnasium. I have always liked biology and anatomy, so I have been participating many years in Tartu University Science School courses. In Tartu Commercial Gymnasium I have studied economy and entrepreneurship next to which I have been able to participate in project writing and management, secretarial, sales agent and real estate broker courses.

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