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## **High Level Group meeting - EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region and EU Strategy for the Danube Region -**

**23 April 2012, 15:00 – 18:00**

The Federal Foreign Office, Werderscher Markt 1, 10117 Berlin, Germany

### **Overall introduction and welcome**

#### **Agenda:**

#### **I. EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region**

- a) State of play of the review process:
  - i. Communication
  - ii. Action Plan (targets and indicators, roles, etc.)
  - iii. Danish Presidency - FoP
- b) Work with neighbouring countries and regional organisations
- c) Communication aspects – new logo, new visual identity, also including the Danube work
- d) European Parliament's Baltic Intergroup reflections vis a vis EUSBSR progress
- e) A.O.B

#### **II. Towards Europe 2020 and new programming period**

- a. Joint EUSBSR/EUSDR and future strategy and sea-basin work
- b. Links to discussions regarding transnational programmes
  - i. Geography
  - ii. Priorities

#### **III. EU Strategy for the Danube Region**

- a) Progress to date and next steps
- b) Bulgaria's experience in the implementation of the Strategy
- c) Visit of Commissioner for Regional Policy to the Danube Region
- d) Annual Forum
- e) Proposal of Hungary on the Rules of Procedure of the Steering Groups
- f) A.O.B

#### **Closing remarks**