**EU High-Level Arctic event "A sustainable Arctic – innovative approaches"**

*Oulu Music Centre*
*Leevi Madetojan katu 1-3,*
*Oulu*

**15 June 2017** *(vers 13.06.2017)*

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| 12h30 | *Registrations and welcome coffee* |
| 14h15 | Oulu children choir sings |
| 14h30 | Opening by the moderator, Ms Eeva Furman |
| 14h33 | Welcome by the City of Oulu |
| 14h35 | Screening of the video on the Arctic |
| 14h37 | **1st panel session: The Arctic is local and global – increasing expectations**<br>**Key note speeches**<br>- Mr Timo Soini, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Finland<br>- Ms Federica Mogherini, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Vice-President of the European Commission<br>- Ms Chrystia Freeland, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Canada<br>- Mr Péter Szijjártó, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Hungary<br>**Address to the event**<br>- Ms Tiina Sanila-Aikio, President of the Saami Parliament of Finland<br>- Ms Suka Frederiksen, Minister of Independence, Foreign Affairs and Agriculture of Greenland, Kingdom of Denmark<br>**Discussion and Q/A**<br>- Mr Timo Soini, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Finland<br>- Ms Federica Mogherini, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Vice-President of the European Commission<br>- Ms Chrystia Freeland, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Canada<br>- Mr Péter Szijjártó, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Hungary<br>- Ms Tiina Sanila-Aikio, President of the Saami Parliament of Finland<br>- Mr Frank Bakke-Jensen, Minister of EEA and EU Affairs, Norway<br>- Mr Andrejs Pildegovics, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvia<br>- Mr Alexander Shestakov, Director of Arctic programme, WWF |
| 16h30 | *Coffee break* |
| 17h00 | **2nd panel session: The Arctic - a Northern light for innovation**<br>**Key note speech**<br>- Mr Karmenu Vella, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs & Fisheries, European Commission<br>**Special address**<br>- Mr Laurent Mayet, High Representative for Polar Affairs, France<br>**Discussion and Q/A**<br>- Mr Karmenu Vella, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs & Fisheries, European Commission<br>- Mr Laurent Mayet, High Representative for Polar Affairs, France<br>- Mr Árni Þór Sigurðsson, Ambassador for Arctic Affairs, Iceland<br>- Mr Andrés Jato, Senior Arctic Official, Sweden<br>- Ms Dorothee Janetzke-Wenzel, Ambassador, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Finland<br>- Mr Gabriele Altana, Ambassador, Embassy of Italy in Finland<br>- Mr Cees Bansema, Ambassador, Embassy of the Netherlands in Finland<br>- Ms Maria Damanaki, Global Managing Director, Oceans, Nature Conservancy<br>- Mr Tero Vauraste, Chair of the Arctic Economic Council |
| 18h25 | **Wrap-up and conclusions**<br>- Mr Karmenu Vella, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs & Fisheries, European Commission |
| 18h30 | **Press conference** |

**16 June 2017**

**<u>High-level session of the Arctic Stakeholder Forum</u>:**
***European investment priorities for the Arctic***

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| 08h00 | *Registrations and welcome coffee* |
| 09h00 | Opening by the moderator, Ms Eeva Furman |
| 09h00 | **Welcome speech**<br>- Mr Karmenu Vella, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs & Fisheries, European Commission |
| 09h15 | **Key note speech**<br>- Ms Satu Vehreävesa, Chair of the Northern Sparsely Populated Areas, Regional Council of Pohjois-Savo |
| 09h30 | **1st panel session: Common investment needs for a sustainable Arctic**<br>- Ms Grete Ellingsen, State Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Modernisation, Norway<br>- Mr Poul Michelsen, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Faroe Islands, Kingdom of Denmark<br>- Ms Maja Bakran, Deputy Director General, Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport, European Commission<br>- Mr Antonio De Lecea, Principal Advisor, Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs, European Commission<br>- Mr Stephen Hart, Head of Office, European Investment Bank, Copenhagen<br>- Ms Monika MacDevette, Deputy Director, Ecosystems Division, UNEP<br>- Mr Oddgeir Danielsen, Director, Secretariat of the Northern Dimension Partnership on Transport and Logistics<br>Q&A |
| 10h30 | *Coffee break* |
| 11h00 | **2nd panel session: Innovative solutions for sustainable regional development in the Arctic**<br>- Ms Åsa Larsson-Blind, President of the Saami Council<br>- Mr Eirik Sivertsen, Chair of the Conference of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region<br>- Mr Alexander Shestakov, Director of Arctic programme, WWF<br>- Ms Nauja Bianco, Senior Adviser/Office of the Secretary General Nordic Council of Ministers<br>- Mr Ingmar Haga, Vice President Europe for *Agnico Eagle Mines Limited*<br>- Ms Kristiina Jokelainen, Regional Council of Lapland<br>- Mr Erik Bergkvist, Chair and Counsellor for Region Västerbotten<br>- Mr Juha Ala-Mursula, Director of Business Oulu<br>Q&A |
| 12h00 | **Wrap-up**<br>- Mr Stefaan Depypere, Director of International Ocean Governance and Sustainable Fisheries, DG MARE, European Commission |
| 12h15 | *Lunch* |

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**Arctic Indigenous Peoples' Dialogue**

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| 13h15 | Opening by the moderator, Ms Eeva Furman |
| 13h18 | **Introductory statements**<br>- Mr Karmenu Vella, Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs & Fisheries, European Commission<br>- Ms Åsa Larsson Blind, President of the Saami Council |
| 13h45 | **1st panel session: Connecting sustainable arctic communities**<br>**Presentations by**:<br>- Mr Jouko Niinimäki, Rector, University of Oulu<br>- Ms Nauja Bianco, Senior Adviser, Office of the Secretary General Nordic Council of Ministers<br>**Discussion and Q/A**<br>- Mr Jouko Niinimäki, Rector, University of Oulu<br>- Ms Nauja Bianco, Senior Adviser, Office of the Secretary General Nordic Council of Ministers<br>- Ms Liisa Holmberg, Sámi Education Institute<br>- Ms Outi Paadar, Saami Council<br>- Mr Hjalmar Dahl, ICC Greenland<br>- Ms Okalik Eegeesiak, Inuit Circumpolar Council |
| 15h15 | *Coffee break* |
| 15h45 | **2nd panel session: Innovative approaches to turn challenges into smart opportunities**<br>**Presentations by:**<br>- Mr Chris McDonald, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development<br>- Ms Inga-Lill Sundset, Advisor, Nordland County, Norway<br>**Discussion and Q/A**<br>- Mr Chris McDonald, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development<br>- Ms Inga-Lill Sundset, Advisor, Nordland County, Norway<br>- Ms Gunn-Britt Retter, Saami Council<br>- Ms Elena Iakovleva, Russian Association of Indigenous Peoples of the North (RAIPON)<br>- Ms Elle Merete Omma, Indigenous Peoples Secretariat |
| 17h15 | **Next steps and conclusions**<br>- Ms Gunn-Britt Retter, Head of Arctic and Environmental Unit, Saami Council<br>- Mr Stefaan Depypere, Director of International Ocean Governance and Sustainable Fisheries, DG MARE, European Commission |