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PROGRAMME
OVERVIEW

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Registration opens

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Networking Village stage
Networking Village: Baltic Jazz Orchestra

09:00
Logomo Hall 1
INTRODUCTORY ADDRESSES

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Logomo Hall 1
Opening Plenary Session: Growing together – Through stronger competitiveness and business links

11:15
Networking Village stage
Break and Networking Village programme

11:45
Logomo Hall 1
Plenary Session: Getting into business – introducing key areas of business cooperation

13:00 - 14:00
Networking Village stage
Lunch and Networking Village programme

14:00
PARALLEL WORK STREAMS

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SMART SOLUTIONS FOR SMART CITIES

Theatre Foyer
NEXT STEPS TO SAVE THE SEA: Incentives and disincentives – making investments & reorientation of practice economically viable to the private sector

Move 1
ROLE OF CITIES AND REGIONS IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION COOPERATION

Move 2
GROWTH ZONES AS BOOSTERS OF INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

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BLUE GROWTH II: KEY DRIVERS TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND THE FUTURE OF EUROPEAN MARINE AND MARITIME INDUSTRY

19:30
Forum Marinum Maritime Museum Centre
Networking Party

Handbook: 16th BDF Summit / 5th Annual Forum of the EUSBSR
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09:00

INTRODUCTORY ADDRESSES

Aleksi Randell, Mayor of Turku and Chairman of the Centrum of Balticum Foundation
Jan Vapaavuori, Minister of Economic Affairs of Finland
Johannes Hahn, Member of the European Commission
Lene Espersen, Chairman of Baltic Development Forum

COMMENTS AND KEYNOTE ADDRESSES:

Petri Parvinen, Professor, Dept. of Marketing, Aalto Univ. School of Business
Anita Fürstenberg-Lucius, Director, European Investment Bank
Janne Öhman, CEO of Siemens Finland
Thomas Bustrup, Deputy Director General, Confederation of Danish Industry

MODERATORS:

Emily Wise, Public Policy Consultant
Pawel Swieboda, President DemosEuropa

11:15 – 11:45

Networking Village stage
BREAK AND NETWORKING VILLAGE PROGRAMME

• City of Turku
• Iceclean Technologies

11:45

Plenary Session:
GETTING INTO BUSINESS – INTRODUCING KEY AREAS OF BUSINESS COOPERATION

Promoting investments in the BSR – special focus on regional growth initiatives
Alexander Stubb, Minister for European Affairs and Foreign Trade, Finland

Next steps to Save our Sea
Andrzej Jagusiewicz, Chief Inspector of Environment Protection of Poland

SPEAKERS:

Dr. Christian Ketels, Harvard Business School
Helge Pedersen, Chief Economist, Nordea

14:00

PARALLEL WORK STREAMS

Logomo Hall 1
BLUE GROWTH I: GREEN INNOVATION AND CROSS-SECTOR COLLABORATION FOR BLUE GROWTH IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

There is a great growth potential in the blue economy in the Baltic Sea Region, but also environmental challenges that are rewriting the map on how we develop the maritime sectors. What are the green innovations that will bridge the gap, and how can actors across public and private sectors work together towards common goals? We will explore some of the current policies, platforms and tools, and look at how we chart the way forward for green technologies and clean shipping in the Baltic Sea Region.

SPEAKERS:

Carla Montesi, Director, DG-Mare
Lolan Eriksson, Ministerial Counsellor, Ministry of Transport and Communications, Finland
Carl Carlsson, Head of Unit Environment & Sustainability, Swedish Shipowners Association
Nuritdin Inamov, Co-chair of the Saint Petersburg Initiative, Director, Ministry of Natural Resources and the Environment, Russian Federation
Prof. Bela H. Buch, Alfred Wegener Institute

Logomo Hall 2

Smart growth for smart cities
Milan Obradovic, Malmo City Council

Future perspectives for the European maritime industry and blue growth
Douwe Cunningham, Secretary General, SEA Europe asbl, Brussels

Life sciences – economy of health issues and potential for cooperation
Oliver Rittgen, CEO Bayer Nordic

Enhancing economic cooperation in the Baltic Sea Region
Maksim Meyskin, Chairman, Committee for Industrial Policy and Innovation, City Government of St. Petersburg

Green economy, environmental responsibility
Ville Nissinen, Minister of the Environment, Ministry of the Environment of Finland

MODERATORS:

Emily Wise, Public Policy Consultant
Pawel Swieboda, President DemosEuropa

13:00 – 14:00

Networking Village stage
LUNCH AND NETWORKING VILLAGE PROGRAMME

• PAC Inno/BSR Stars
• Evertech Energy Solutions
• Bayer Nordic SE
• Swedish Institute
• Siemens
SPEAKERS:  
**Prof. Rudolph Giffinger**, Technical University of Vienna  
**Volker Hessel**, Co-chair, WBCSD Urban Infrastructure Initiative  
**Hannes Astok**, Director, Smart City Lab Tartu  
**Amalj Samerkhanova**, Head of Unit for International Projects, Environmental Centre ECAT-Kaliningrad  
**Virpi Mikhonen**, Manager for Smart Cities, Tekes – the Finnish Funding Agency for Innovation  
**Krista Kampus**, Head of Baltic 21 Unit, Council of Baltic Sea States Secretariat  
**Torben Aaberg**, Head of Public Affairs, Baltic Development Forum  
**Inete Lelite**, City of Riga (tbc)

**MODERATOR:**  
**Risto Veivo**, Development Manager, City of Turku and Co-chair of UBC Commission on Environment  
**Theatre Foyer**

**NEXT STEPS TO SAVE THE SEA:**  
Incentives and disincentives – making investments & reorientation of practice economically viable to the private sector.

Joint protection of the marine environment of the Baltic Sea is a priority for all coastal states, since the signing of the Helsinki Convention forty years ago. The environmental cooperation under the EU Strategy can lead to even better results, for the benefit of all, if businesses are engaged to a greater extent and good conditions are created for green innovation and investments in the sectors with best potential for profitability. The session will look more closely into the work plans deriving from the 2013 HELCOM Ministerial Declaration, a package of extensive actions and measures for improving the status of the Baltic Sea, and how these could be coupled with responsible and sustainable profit-making.

**SPEAKERS:**  
**Eeva-Liisa Poutanen**, EU Marine Director in Finland, Ministry of the Environment  
**Heini Ahtialainen**, Research Scientist, MTT Agrifood Research Finland  
**Anders Kiessling**, Swedish University of Agricultural Science  
**Hanna Paulomäki**, Baltic Project Manager, Oceana  
**Juhan Sargava**, WWF Baltic Farmer of the Year 2013, Estonia

**MODERATOR:**  
**Pauli Merriman**, Director for WWF Baltic Ecoregion Programme

**ROLE OF CITIES AND REGIONS IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION COOPERATION**

Cities and regions are key partners in the Baltic Sea cooperation and in implementing the EUSBSR. Their increased participation is also essential to achieve real multi-level governance of the Strategy – a key prerequisite for its success. The speakers of the Work Stream will present concrete examples of successful cooperation and partnership projects between regions, both nationally and in the wider Baltic Sea Region and discuss how to deepen this cooperation, seen as essential for the success of regions in a globalizing world.

**SPEAKERS:**  
**Petteri Orpo**, Chair of the Board, Southwest Finland; MP, Chairman of Parliamentary Group  
**Pekka Myllymäki**, Chair, Regional Assembly, Southwest Finland  
**Ester Miros**, Nordic Archipelago Cooperation Secretariat, Åland Islands  
**Wolf Born**, State Chancellery, Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, Germany  
**Annika Annerby-Jansson**, President, CPMR Representative of Northwest Russian Federal District  
**Slava Khodko**, Adviser of the Minister of regional development of Russian Federation

**MODERATOR:**  
**Niko Kyynäräinen**, Director, Turku Region Development Centre

**GROWTH ZONES AS BOOSTERS OF INNOVATION AND DEVELOPMENT**

This session will look into the Development Zones’ huge future potential and their essential role for the competitiveness of the whole Baltic Sea region. Flexible and sustainable movement of goods, people, knowledge and other resources has to be secured and encouraged with joint long-term planning. We look into reasons why we build the Europe TEN-T network. One example is
15:30 – 16:00
Networking Village stage
BREAK AND NETWORKING VILLAGE PROGRAMME
• PRESTO
• HELCOM
• Baltic Sea Programme

16:00
Logomo Hall 1
Plenary Session:
THE DIGITAL SECTOR AS KEY FOR A HIGH VALUE ECONOMY IN THE BSR

As a driver for growth, jobs and competitiveness, the digital sector is key in the development of a high value economy. The Baltic Sea Region is still among the world’s leading digital hubs but we need to mobilise new cross-border and public-private initiatives to maintain and develop this position. The session will discuss joint actions that can release growth potentials and pursue a high value economy in the region. The aim is to go beyond the “usual” way of national thinking and discuss examples of what the regional actors can achieve together. A new Think Tank initiative, “Top of Digital Europe” will be launched at the session, together with a new report on growth barriers and opportunities for SME’s in the ICT sector.

SPEAKERS:
Jyrki Katainen, Prime Minister of Finland
Taavi Roivas, Prime Minister of Estonia
Craig Shank, VP & Assistant General Counsel, Microsoft International
Jørgen Bardenfleth, Chairman of Board, Symbion A/S, Denmark
Vinay Venkatraman, CEO & Founder, Leapcraft, Denmark

Lene Esperen, Chairman of Baltic Development Forum
Wolf-Dietrich Grussmann, Head of Unit, DG Connect, European Commission

MODERATORS:
Emily Wise, Public Policy Consultant
Pawel Swieboda, President DemosEuropa

17:15
PARALLEL WORK STREAMS

Move: REDUCTION OF RISK AND IMPROVING DISASTER PREPAREDNESS – POSSIBILITIES FOR INVESTMENT

The costs of disasters are increasing since our societies are more complex with numerous interdependencies. Disaster management including risk reduction requires thoughtful and continual planning as well as cooperation with many stakeholders. Investing in prevention, risk reduction and preparedness is a cost effective means to keep societal functions running and assure safety and health for inhabitants. The purpose of the session is to provide information about an area where investments are needed in order to keep our societies safe from disasters. The session is intended to inspire future investments in this area and also cooperation between the public and private sector.

SPEAKERS:
Janet Edwards, International Coordinator, Swedish National Platform for Disaster Risk Reduction, Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency
Philipp Schmidt-Thomé, project leader of ClimUrban
Thomas Loster, Munich Re Foundation, Germany

COMMENTS:
Egle Obcarskaite, PA Secure
Maxi Nachtigall, HA Sustainable Development and the Bioeconomy

Logomo Hall 1
IN VOLVING NEW PARTNERS TO SAVE THE SEA – COOPERATION WITH BELARUS IN THE WASTE WATER TREATMENT SECTOR: The involvement of Belarus in PA Nutri flagship projects and next steps for future cooperation

Assessment of regional nutrient pollution load and identification of priority projects to reduce nutrient inputs from Belarus to the Baltic Sea. Project PRESTO. Discussion on the added value of projects for EU-countries and Belarus, and next steps – have been any recommendations been taken to the policy level? What is still to be done – the current situation of Russian and Belarusian wastewater sector and future investments to meet HELCOM standards.

SPEAKERS:
Anja Nysten, NEFCO
Hannamaria Yliruusi, UBC
Ihar Yuzviak, Director, Grodno Municipal Unitary Manufacturing Enterprise GrodnoVodokanal
Vladimir N. Anoufriev, Head of Department “Water supply and sewerage” Belarussian National Technical University
Veli Sundbäck, John Nurminen Foundation
Leszek Drogoz, City of Warsaw
Emil Vahtera, City of Helsinki
Marjukka Porvari, John Nurminen Foundation

THEATRE FOYER
BLUE GROWTH II: KEY DRIVERS TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND THE FUTURE OF EUROPEAN MARINE AND MARITIME INDUSTRY

The global structural change in terms of marine and maritime industry has pushed the companies to look further to new markets, businesses and networks, to develop and innovate in terms of clean technologies and solutions, services and competitiveness. This Work Stream continues the discussion from the Blue Growth I session by letting the industry take the floor for the most novel innovations, market views and remarks of the present and future maritime business. How to ensure the future and what actions are to be taken? What are the key drivers in terms of markets, technologies and competences?

SPEAKERS: Vesa Marttinen, Managing Director, Turku Repair Yard Ltd. at BLRT Group
Mikko Niini, Senior Management Advisor at Aker Arctic Technology Inc
Tommy Mattila, Managing Director, Gasum LNG Ltd
Dr Fai Cheng, Head of Research and Technology, Lloyds Register
Johanna Boijer-Svahnström, Head of Communications Viking Line Abp
Janne Peltoja, Senior Officer, Ministry of Employment and the Economy, Finland

MODERATOR: Mervi Piikkänen, Director, Machine Technology Center Turku Ltd

19:30
Forum Marinum Maritime Museum Centre
NETWORKING PARTY
The Baltic Sea Jazz Orchestra is coming together especially for the Turku Baltic Sea Days 2014 and consists of some of the top musicians of the Baltic Sea Region. The Jazz association Flame Jazz, based in Turku since the European Capital of Culture year 2011, has put together an orchestra with musicians from three European Capitals of Culture: Turku and the two present capitals: Umeå and Riga.

**Case: Turku Film City**

**TURKU – FLOURISHING CREATIVITY II**

In 2011, Turku displayed its power as the European Capital of Culture and creative know-how got boosted. One example is Turku Rock Academy, a project which guides young bands in a comprehensive and competent way for a career as professional musicians.

Case: Turku Rock Academy

SPEAKER:
*Teija Raninen*, Film Commissioner, West Finland Film Commission, Turku Region Development Centre

**ICECLEAN TECHNOLOGIES - More efficient freeze dredging cleantech for decontamination of hazardous sediments**

Iceclean offers the most effective, risk-free and energy effective decontamination methods to remove environmentally pollutants in contaminated land, in lakes and oceans. With the method, based on the freezing of hazardous materials, these can be effectively frozen, disassembled and then recycled or deposited at a lower cost.

SPEAKER:
*Peter Lembke*, CEO, Iceclean Technologies
are based on the company’s unique heat exchanger technology in collectors, with which heat and cold can be regained from water and liquids in industrial processes, lakes and oceans.

SPEAKER: Niklas Ekblom, Business Development, Evertech Energy Solutions

13:25

BAYER - PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT AND GROWING THE BUSINESS

As a world class innovation company, Bayer is helping to address global challenges that also affect us in the Baltic Sea Region. With a major R&D and production hub situated in Turku, Bayer is enhancing the competitiveness of the region and driving sustainable growth in the life science sector.

SPEAKER: Niko Palosuo, Communications Director, Bayer Nordic SE

13:35

SWEDISH INSTITUTE

The Swedish Institute (SI) Baltic Sea Unit is a government agency the dual mandate to support the implementation of the EUSBSR and the EaP. The Baltic Sea Unit, located on the island of Gotland, has a long track record in seed funding (app. 650 projects), talent mobility (>4,000 alumni), leadership programmes and EU-related projects in the region. SI Director Kurt Bratteby and Head of Unit Helén Nilsson will discuss current priorities and future plans of the unit. See also www.si.se/balticsea.

SPEAKERS: Kurt Bratteby, Director, Swedish Institute; Helén Nilsson, Head of Unit, Swedish Institute

13:45

SIEMENS - SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS FOR MEDIUM-SIZED CITIES

Medium-sized cities play a central role for economic development, sustainable development and the fight against climate change. Dedicated solutions are needed to answer the specific requirements of medium-sized cities. Siemens has the right people and tools to support the development of strategies and action plans for sustainable city development.

SPEAKER: Lars Maura, Head of Business Development, Siemens Osakeyhtiö

14:00 - 15:30

Networking Village workstream

YOUNG INNOVATORS FOR BALTIC SEA REGION GROWTH

offers opportunity to meet new people and expand your networks. It is also a place to find new business opportunities and partners. The occasion brings together startups, young leaders of private enterprises from different lines of businesses, as well as decision-makers from political organisations and city administrations. All companies have unique chance to brand and promote innovative ideas with elevator pitches. The program brings together companies from all around the Baltic Sea – Finland, Russia, Sweden, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland.

ORGANISED BY:
City of Turku and Turku Region Development Centre

15:30 - 16:00

BREAK AND NETWORKING VILLAGE PROGRAMME

15:30

PRESTO PROJECT – Joint initiatives to save the Baltic Sea

Municipal wastewater treatment plants have a key role in improving the state of the Baltic Sea. Union of the Baltic Cities, Commission on Environment presents what actions have been done recently in the areas of nutrient removal investments, sludge management, capacity building and awareness raising in the cities around the Baltic Sea.

SPEAKER: Agnieszka Ilola, Project Coordinator, Union of the Baltic Cities, Commission on Environment

15:40

HELCOM

The Baltic Sea has a global record in reaching the CBD target for marine protected areas - now at 12 % - while gaps remain in the management and coherence of such areas. HELCOM presents a recent case study from its project BASE - supporting implementation of the Baltic Sea Action Plan in Russia. BASE works to extend the marine protected zone of the Curonian Spit National Park as part of the HELCOM Marine Protected Areas. These areas are vital for biodiversity and the versatility of ecosystems, as well as in boosting tourism and recreational use.

SPEAKER: Saija Vuola, BASE Project Manager, HELCOM

15:50

THE BALTIC SEA REGION PROGRAMME 2014–2020 – We support transnational cooperation in the Region

Introduction to the new Programme. Our priorities, available funds, opportunities for stakeholders and important dates.

SPEAKER: Bartłomiej Wierzbicki, Project Officer, Joint Technical Secretariat
PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

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Break and Networking Village programme

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PARALLEL WORK STREAMS

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ECONOMICALLY Viable WATER AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT – INCITEMENTS AND SOLUTIONS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR

Logi 1 & Logi 2
INTERREG FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2014 – 2020

Logomo Hall 1
EMBEDDING TEN-T CORE NETWORK CORRIDORS IN TRANSPORT POLICY FRAMEWORKS IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

CULTURAL DIALOGUE IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION – LET’S DO IT FASTER, STRONGER, BETTER!

13:00 – 14:00
Networking Village stage
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Logomo Hall 1
Plenary session: The soft power of the Baltic Sea Region – Foundation for Smart Growth

15:30
PARALLEL WORK STREAMS

Logomo Hall 1
SUCCESSFUL COOPERATION: RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION

Logi 1 & Logi 2
CULTURAL DIALOGUE IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION – LET’S DO IT FASTER, STRONGER, BETTER!

17:00
Closing Plenary Session: “From Turku onwards”

13:00
Move 1
COOPERATING WITH AND LEARNING OF OTHER EUROPEAN MACRO-REGIONS

THEATRE FOYER
PROMOTING GROWTH IN HEALTH ECONOMY

14:00
Move 1
POLITICAL STATE OF THE REGION 2014: EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL TRENDS, CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Logi 1 & Logi 2
GENDER, INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABLE GROWTH IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

15:30
Move 1
External and Internal Trends, Challenges and Opportunities
SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

09:00

Logomo Hall 1

Plenary Session:
OWNERSHIP, LEADERSHIP AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EUSBSR – FROM COMMITMENT TO ACTION

In this plenary session the Commissioner for Regional Policy Johannes Hahn presents the Report on the governance of macro-regional strategies. The Report will provide concrete recommendations on how to improve the governance of the existing and upcoming strategies. The panelists are invited to reflect on the Report and from their perspective what is needed to ensure stronger political leadership and decision making in implementing the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region.

SPEAKERS:
Johannes Hahn, Member of the European Commission
Erkki Tuomioja, Finnish Minister for Foreign Affairs, Finnish Presidency of the CBSS
Pavel Telicka, European Coordinator for the North Sea, Baltic TEN-T Core Network Corridor
Marceli Niezgoda, Undersecretary of State Environment Department, Ministry of Environment of Estonia

MODERATORS:
Emily Wise, Public Policy Consultant
Pawel Siewboda, President DemosEuropa

11:00 – 11:30

Networking Village stage

BREAK AND NETWORKING VILLAGE PROGRAMME
• PA Education
• HA Involve
• INTERACT Point Turku

11:30

PARALLEL WORK STREAMS

Move 2

ECONOMICALLY VIABLE WATER AND NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT – INCITEMENTS AND SOLUTIONS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR

Ensuring the ecological health of the Baltic Sea and the sustainability of the Baltic Sea Region requires holistic and proactive water and nutrient management from source to sea, as well as the active contribution of both private and public actors. In this session we will hear from some of the companies that have become front-runners in this region, in order to learn more about what solutions and strategies are already being implemented, as well as the motivations and drivers behind them. We will also launch a publication showcasing examples of water stewardship in the Baltic Sea Region.

SPEAKERS:
Mira Povelainen, Director Research and Development, Raisioagro
Thea Natri, PAC Manager Nordics, Coca-Cola Finland Oy
Seija Vatka, Manager, Water, Environment & Responsibility, UPM
Jarle Eidar Hagen, Senior Vice President, Corporate Communication, Yara International
Markus Hellsström, Managing Director, Fazer Bakeries, Finland
Jyrki Lepistö, Director, Agri-market Ltd
Teija Paavola, Dev Manager, Biovabba Ltd
Marja-Liisa Weckström, Director Communications and Legal, Sinebrychoff Ltd

MODERATORS:
Lovisa Selander, Head of Water and Environmental Affairs, Baltic Development Forum
Mathias Bergman, Secretary General, Baltic Sea Action Group

Logi 1 & Logi 2

INTERREG FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR 2014 – 2020

The workshop will give orientation for potential project partners about funding available in the Baltic Sea Region in the near future. Successful cooperation needs time, funding and good examples. At the workshop you will learn about selected examples, as well as compare different funding sources. Workshop also highlights the importance of the projects in implementation of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR).

SPEAKERS:
Eeva Rantama, Project Team Leader, Baltic Sea Region Programme
Merike Niitepõld, Head of Managing Authority, Central Baltic Programme
Mr Thorsten Kohlisch, Head of the Joint Technical Secretariat, South Baltic Programme

MODERATOR:
Susanne Scherrer, Director of the Managing Authority/ Joint Technical Secretariat, Baltic Sea Region Programme

Logomo Hall 2

EMBEDDING TEN-T CORE NETWORK CORRIDORS IN TRANSPORT POLICY FRAMEWORKS IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

Transport is a key issue for the macro-region of the Baltic Sea. Yet, coordination of transport policy between EU-wide, national and regional actions is insufficient. How to envision and ensure a harmonious transport planning process in the Region? What are the opportunities and limitations?

SPEAKERS:
James Pond, European Commission DG MOVE, Chief Advisor for the North Sea, Baltic TEN-T Core Network Corridor
Oddgeir Danielsen, Northern Dimension Partnership for Transport and Logistics
John Hülten, Swedish Transport Administration, Sweden
Malla Paajanen, Project Manager, Proximare, North Sea - Baltic Core Network Corridor
Jan Anders Palmqvist, Region Blekinge, Sweden
Horst Sauer, Joint Spatial Planning Department Berlin-Brandenburg, Germany
Radomir Matczak, Dept. of Regional and Spatial Development, Pomorskie Region, Poland

MODERATOR:
Wiktoria Sawicka, Project Manager, BSR TransGovernance

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POLITICAL STATE OF THE REGION 2014: EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL TRENDS, CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Since 2011, the Political State of the Region Report has taken up some of the most
The demand for efficiency is bigger than ever before in the health industry. Medical products have to be more effective and cheaper than earlier ones, and the competitiveness of a product is based not only on the technological excellence but also on how it takes into account the needs of both the society and the individual. We have a better understanding of human physiology and diseases, and the concept of personalized medicine is producing more effective and more economic treatment. Furthermore, individuals are expected to participate in the promotion of their own health. How does this guide and redirect the products and services and what can be done in cooperation to respond to these challenges? The discussions of the Work Stream will continue at the Baltic Sea Health Summit on 4-5 June 2014.

SPEAKERS:
Sigfried Bialojan, Executive Director, Head Life Science Center, EY
Zakhar Golant, Head of the Board, XXI Century and Medical Project, St. Petersburg
Stefan Christgau, Investment Director, Novo A/S
Risto Lammintausta, CEO, Forendo Oy

MODERATOR FOR THE PANEL DISCUSSION:
Prof. Kalervo Väänänen, Rector, University of Turku

Move 1

COOPERATING WITH AND LEARNING OF OTHER EUROPEAN MACRO-REGIONS

The theme of the parallel work stream is how to strengthen cooperation between macro-regional strategies: how to facilitate knowledge exchange between experts to improve capacity building and contribute to improving policy gaps. The work stream follows from the debate and discussion of the morning plenary titled “Ownership, Leadership and Implementation of the EUSBSR – from Commitment to Action” in which the Commissioner for Regional Policy Johannes Hahn will present the Commission Report on the governance of macro-regional strategies.

SPEAKERS:
Bjarke Wiehe Botcher, EUSBSR PAC Safe/Ship, Denmark
István Józ, EUSDR, Chief Advisor to PAC Sustainable Energy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Hungary
Michael Smyth, European Economic and Social Committee, Belgium
Milkos Barabas, Europe House, Hungary
Gregor Kraaj, Office of the State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs Office, Republic of Slovenia

MODERATOR:
Timo Rajakangas, Ambassador of Finland to Croatia and Macedonia

NETWORKING VILLAGE stages

LUNCHEON AND NETWORKING VILLAGE PROGRAMME

• BALTIC LAB WORKSHOP, Swedish Institute and CBSS

13:00 - 14:00

MODERATORS:
Emily Wise, Public Policy Consultant
Pawel Swieboda, President DemosEuropa

SUCCESSFUL COOPERATION: RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION

Demonstrating successful cooperation using as a case the undercurrent and necessity of the sustainable development. There needs to be a sound and strong research and innovation funding, governance structure and well established science-policy dialogue frameworks for creating the scientific and technological basis for the development of sustainable solutions in support of Blue and Green Growth.
CULTURAL DIALOGUE IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION – LET’S DO IT FASTER, STRONGER, BETTER!

The idea of the panel is to bring together representatives of local, regional, national and BSR level in order to start a dialogue on cultural cooperation, aiming at identifying topics of common interest and challenges that we face on the way to achieve it. The discussion will be focused on exploring the potential of activities on the macro-regional level, as well as on joint cooperation of stakeholders from different levels of governance. The panelists will discuss a better promotion and visualization of culture, creative industries and the cultural heritage of the Baltic Sea Region in order to strengthen these areas sustainably. Jointly raising the profile, i.e. joint marketing of cultural highlights and exciting events in the creative industries can help to exceed the attention threshold required when competing in the international arena. Culture and creative industries, tourism and regional marketing all benefit from this.

SPEAKERS:
Stefan Mustolić, EUSBSR PA Culture and Ministry of Justice, Cultural and European Affairs Schleswig-Holstein
Jaana Simula, Director of Cultural Affairs City of Pori and Vice Chair, Union of Baltic Cities Committee on Culture
Jan Widberg, Secretary General of the Baltic Sea Parliamentary Conference
Mikael Hoysti, Head of Department for Culture, Nordic Council of Ministers
Marcus Hagemann, Head of ARS BALTICA Secretariat
Ilze Gailite Holmberg, Senior Adviser Northern Dimension Partnership on Culture
Anna Cegnowa, EUSBSR PA Culture, Polish Ministry of Culture and National Heritage
Kurt Bratteby, Director of Department Global Programmes, Swedish Institute/BalticLab

Malija Lummepeura, Ministry of Education and Culture of Finland, CBSS Senior Officials Group on Culture

THEATRE FOYER

GENDER, INNOVATION AND SUSTAINABLE GROWTH IN THE BALTIC SEA REGION

Gender equality is one of key components of sustainable development. This is, however, a new area for all actors involved: policy makers, researchers, civil society and private sector. The Round Table will discuss how to make a link between gender equality, innovation and sustainable growth in terms of a conceptual framework, policy-oriented research and existing good practices. During the workshop the proposal for a flagship project under the EUSBSR, namely the BSR Partnership Platform for Gender Equality, in Innovation and Sustainable Growth and Development based on a Quadruple Helix concept will be also presented. The discussion will include pre-conditions for mobilizing women’s economic and innovative potential such as equal wage for equal work for women and men as well as effective measures to reconcile work and family life for employees as well as entrepreneurs.

SPEAKERS:
Prof. Danuta Hälbner, Chair of Committee on Regional Development, European Parliament (video message)
Prof. Marija Ausrine Pavilioniene, MP of the Parliament of the Republic of Lithuania
Ewa Debeka, Deputy Director, European Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Poland
Erik Kiesow, Senior Adviser, EU Coordination Secretariat, Prime Minister’s Office, Sweden
Maria Grönroos, Nordic Information on Gender, University of Gothenburg, Sweden
Colin Wolfe, European Commission, Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy, Competence Centre Macro-regions and European Territorial Cooperation

MODERATOR:
Inger Danilda, Chairwomen Quadruple Learning, Innovation & Gender Expert, Portugal
Britt-Marie Söderberg Torstensson, President, Winnet Sweden, Europe

MODERATORS:
Emily Wise, Public Policy Consultant
Pawel Swieboda, President DemosEuropa

The closing plenary will bring up the main topics and conclusions of the event with reflections on the future of cooperation in the Baltic Sea Region.

SPEAKERS:
Erja Tihka, Ambassador for Baltic Sea Issues, EUSBSR Rotating NCP Chair, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
Dr. Ilze Rūse, Director of the European Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvia. “Welcome to the 6th EUSBSR Annual Forum in Latvia”
Lene Espersen, Chairman of Baltic Development Forum

MODERATORS:
Emily Wise, Public Policy Consultant
Pawel Swieboda, President DemosEuropa
INTRODUCING PA EDUCATION AND HA INVOLVE

How does effective cross border cooperation in the region look like? There are much more possibilities for finding partners, developing new projects and starting long-term cooperation, than you think. Introducing Priority Area Education and Horizontal Action Involve in the Strategy. PA Education covering three policy areas namely education, youth and labour mobility. HA Involve aiming at strengthening multi-level governance as well as involving civil society, business and academia.

SPEAKER:
Anders Bergström, Priority Area Coordinator / Horizontal Action Leader, PA Education / HA Involve, EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR)

11:20
INTERACT Point Turku

The presentation will focus on one easily searchable database containing around 80% of all projects and project-partners of Territorial Cooperation / INTERREG. It’s a unique database with comprehensive information both on the overall context and on relevant details. You can find data per field of interest (from ‘Improving transport connections’ to ‘Cultural heritage and arts’ and ‘Demographic change and immigration’, among a total number of 42 keywords to your search), per country and territory, and much, much more.

SPEAKER:
Rafael Agostinho, Project Manager, KEEP & Capitalisation, INTERACT Point Turku

11:30 - 13:00
Networking Village workstreams

BALTIC LAB WORKSHOP – BALTIC IS THE NEW BLACK, Swedish Institute and CBSS

Introducing Balticlab, a joint Swedish Institute and Council of the Baltic Sea States Leadership & Talent Programme for Creativity and Entrepreneurship. The aim of the programme Balticlab is to boost Baltic Sea regional cooperation by bringing about fresh ideas for the future. Programme Managers Mirjam Külß (CBSS) and Mikael Olsson (SI) will introduce Balticlab as a concept along with a trailer for the upcoming Balticlab film. There will be comments by Baiba Liepa, INTERACT Point Turku, and presentations from three of the Balticlab 2.0 projects: business development agency for creative industries Frön, an anthropological expedition to the shorelines of the Baltic Sea titled The Beach Institute & an educational innovation initiative The Leap. For more information on Balticlab go to www.balticlab-online.eu and www.vimeo.com/balticlab/welcome.

SPEAKERS:
Mirjam Külß, Media & Communications, Council of the Baltic Sea States
Mikael Olsson, Project Leader, Ph.D Swedish Institute, Baltic Sea Unit

13:00 - 14:00
LUNCH AND NETWORKING VILLAGE PROGRAMME

Culturability BSR - Culture for sustainable development is one of the flagship projects under the EU Action Plan for the Baltic Sea Region

The project is creating action by using culture as a driver for sustainable development – and through displaying and demonstrating encourage multiplication of good/best/next practices for culture and sustainability in the Baltic Sea Region developing a number quality high impact projects. Projects already in the pipeline includes “Guts” a...
13:15

BONUS - PRESENTATION OF THE JOINT BALTIC SEA RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Interviews coordinator(s) of new BONUS innovation project(s) started in spring and summer of 2014 about the value they add through their work to the theme of Blue Growth and prosperity of the region. From the BONUS exhibition, as well as the parallel work stream “Successful cooperation: research, development and innovation” taking place the same afternoon at 15:30, more information about the twenty new BONUS projects can be found. Welcome!

SPEAKER: Dr Kaisa Kononen, Executive Director of BONUS

13:25

SUBMARINER

The SUBMARINER Network promotes sustainable and innovative uses of marine resources. It offers a cooperation platform to related actors and initiatives in the Baltic Sea Region. Managing director Angela Schultz-Zehden will present the vision and setup as well as current priorities and activities of the SUBMARINER Network.

SPEAKER: Angela Schultz-Zehden, Managing director, SUBMARINER Network for Blue Growth EEIG

13:35

SCIENCE LINK

Science Link is an EU funded project which promotes innovation and growth in the Baltic Sea Region by the formation of a network of scientific research centers, universities, regional development groups and industry. This presentation will provide an overview of the project, highlights of scientific collaborations and discuss possible future directions.

SPEAKER: Katarína Röbbelen-Voigt, Projektträger DESY, Project Manager SCIENCE LINK

13:45

THE CENTRAL BALTIC PROGRAMME

2014-2020 – How will the Central Baltic Programme 2014-2020 contribute to stronger economy, cleaner environment and improved quality of life?

What are the changes and improvements we want to achieve? How will we work to achieve new Central Baltic businesses and more exports via cluster co-operation? What does an “excellent project” look like and how does it contribute to these goals?

SPEAKER: Project Manager Ülari Alamets, Central Baltic Programme 2014-2020