

BSSSC XI Annual Conference
«Bridging the Future», EU Northern Dimension –
a challenge for regions of the Baltic Sea»

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PROGRAMME



Baltic Sea States
Subregional Co-operation



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Thursday, October, 23

Transfer from airport to hotel Pulkovskaya

- 12.00 - 17.00 Registration at hotel Pulkovskaya
10.00 - 12.00 BSSSC meetings
- Youth coordinators' network
- 12.00 - 13.00 *Lunch (restaurant Turku, block 2)*
13.00 - 15.00 Seminar - Northern Dimension
15.00 -18.00 BSSSC Board meeting
18.00 - 19.00 National delegations' meetings
- 20.00 Dinner (restaurant Turku)

Friday, October, 24

- 08.00 – 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 – 11.00 **Conference Official opening ceremony**
Plenary session 1, Congress Hall
Welcome music by Navy Admiralty Orchestra of the Leningrad Navy Base under the direction of A. Karabanov
- Welcome note on behalf of the Governor of St. Petersburg Valentina Matvienko – A.V.Prohorenko – Vice-governor of St. Petersburg – Chief of Committee of External Affairs
 - Mr Brunon Synak – Chairman of the BSSSC
 - Mr Tiit Naber –CSO Chairman
 - Ms Katarina Borgh-Rahm - European Commission, Directorate Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asian Republics, horizontal matters
 - Mr Uno Aldegren – Committee of the Regions
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- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee-break
- 11.30 – 13.00 **Plenary session 2 – Reports of representatives of the Executive and Legislative authorities of the Russian Federation**
Moderator – Director of the Association for Co-operation with Nordic Countries “Norden”
- Welcome note on behalf of the Deputy Representative of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Saint-Petersburg – Oleg Davtian
 - “Experience and perspectives of cooperation between Leningrad region and Baltic sea

regions” Sergey Naryshkin Chairman of the Committee for external affairs, Leningrad oblast Administration

- “Cooperation of Novgorod region with the Baltic sea regions” - Oleg Klimov Chief of the external investments department, Novgorod region Administration
- Representative of Legislative Assemble of St. Petersburg for Foreign Affairs - Vataniar Yagya
- “The participation of the North-West regions of Russian in frame work of Interreg III B Baltic Sea cooperation” – Chairman of the Committee for the financial market and money circulation of the Council of Federation, Sergey Vasiliev

Q&A

13.00 – 13.30 Press Conference, Congress Hall

13.00 – 14.30 Lunch (restaurant Paulaner, block 2)

14.30 – 18.00 Workshops

1. Spatial development as a basis for future work within the Baltic Sea Region

Moderator from Russia: Irina Karelina- General Director of International center of social and economic research “Leontief center”

Moderator from BSSSC: Wiktor Szydarowski Region Blekinge (Sweden)

2. Patterns of decentralized co-operation in the Baltic Sea Region

Moderator from Russia: Sergey Borodulin Co-Chairman of the Editorial Board of the Eurasian Scientific-Analytical Edition, Problems of Modern Economics;

Moderator from BSSSC: Jan-Erik Majewski – the chief advisor of Skane region Administration (Sweden)

3. Sustainable economic development

Moderator from Russia: Fillip Kazin – chief expert of Baltic research center;

Moderator from BSSSC: Bjarne Rasmussen – international Coordinator, Storstrom County(Denmark)

4. Preservation of the cultural-historical heritage of the Baltic Sea Region

Moderator from Russia: Olga Taratynova – first Deputy Chairman of the Committee for state control and protection of historical and cultural monuments;

Moderator from BSSSC: Tomasz Orlowski – Secretary General of the Polish Committee of UNESCO (Poland)

5. Youth of the Baltic Sea Region

Moderator from Russia: Alexey Petrov – Youth policy Committee of Saint-Petersburg City Administration;

Moderator from BSSSC: Lene Herdel – Chair of Frederigsborg region department (Denmark)

18.00-18.15 Transfer to dinner

19.00 Dinner on behalf of the Governor of St. Petersburg, City Administration, Smolny

Saturday, October, 25

09.30 – 11.00

Plenary session 3: Cultural and historic heritage – a basis for future development in the Baltic Sea Area

Moderator - Director of the Museum of Nikolay Rerih, Olga Tcherkasova

- “Productive traditions of international creative exchange: architecture of “Northern modern” – *Mr B.M. Kirikov, Deputy Chairman of the Committee for State Control and protection of historical and cultural monuments*
- UNESCO programmes on culture and historical heritage and its Baltic Dimension - *Mr Tomasz Orłowski Secretary General of Polish Committee of UNESCO*
- Bridging the Baltic Sea Culture - *Mr Stefan Langstrom Baltic Sea Culture – Culture Regions*
- Ars Baltic – a model for multilateral cultural co-operation in the Baltic Sea Region – *Ms Lidia Makowska, Baltic Sea Culture Centre in Gdańsk*

Q&A

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 13.30 **Plenary session 4: The future of regional policy**

- Perspective of the European Commission – *Ms Katarina Borgh-Rahm , Directorate Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asian Republics, horizontal matters*
- Perspective of the BSSSC - *Mr Hannu Penntila, Member of the Board of the BSSSC*

Q&A

13.30 – 14.30 Lunch (restaurant Paulaner, block 1)

14.30 – 17.30 **Plenary session 5: Final (coffee break 15.30 – 16.00)**

- Round table discussion – Workshops’ summaries and conclusions
- Conference Resolution – *Ms Krystyna Wróblewska*
- Closing speeches

Mr Brunon Synak – Chairman of the BSSSC

- Welcome to the 12th annual conference in Malmö - *Ms Annika Annerby-Jansson - Member of the Regional Assembly of Skane Region*

Q&A