







Invitation to the Round Table and project meeting in Warsaw, Poland

"The Baltic Sea Region Partnership Platform for Gender & Economic Growth"

Monday, September 23, 2013, 09:00- 15:00 at the European Commission Office in Poland, Jasna street 14/16a

Aim: To present a Winnet Center of Excellence, a Flagship initiative project "The Baltic Sea Region Partnership Platform for Gender & Economic Growth"; its concept, priority areas and partners, to discuss cooperation among project leaders and partners and to decide on next steps. The meeting will follow up on the dialogue and results of the Round Table and project meeting in Stockholm, Sweden on 12 September 2013.

Agenda

09. 00 Welcome, by Ms. Ewa Synowiec, Director, the European Commission Office in Poland (TBC)

Message from prof. Danuta Huebner, Chair, Committee on Regional Development, European Parliament

- **09. 10 Opening**, by Ms. Ewa Rumińska- Zimny, President of the Women's International Forum at the Warsaw School of Economics; a co-partner with the Szczecin University of the project from Poland
- **09. 15** Presentation of key concepts, priority areas and work packages of the Flagship initiative project in the context of the results of the Round Table and project Meeting in Stockholm on 12 September 2013, by Ms. Britt-Marie S Torstensson, Winnet Sweden and Winnet Europe
- **09.30** The BSR process, value added of macro-regional strategies and gender: a perspective from Poland by Ms. Ewa Dębska, Deputy-Director, European Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Sweden, by Ambassador Staffan Herrström (TBC) and Lithuania, by Ambassador Loreta Zakarevičienė (TBC)
- 10.00 Coffee and time for reflections
- 10.15 Comments on the Baltic Sea Region Strategy, innovation and the role of Women's Resource Centers (WRCs), by Inger Danilda, Chairwomen Quadruple Group AB
- **10.30 Comments on mainstreaming gender into regional strategies in Poland in 2014-2020**, by Ms. Rumińska Zimny, the International Women Forum at the Warsaw School of Economics









10.45 Winnet Center of Excellence in the Baltic Sea Region: the concept and research agenda, by Ms. Marta Hozer-Kocmiel, University of Szczecin

- 11. 00 Next steps in finalizing the Flagship initiative "The Baltic Sea Region Partnership Platform for Gender & Economic Growth", by Ms. Britt-Marie S Torstensson, Winnet Sweden and Winnet Europe
- 11: 15 Discussion and contribution of researchers, partners and participants
- 12.00 13.00 Buffet Lunch
- 13.00 Discussion and contribution of researchers, partners and participants continues
- **13.30 Round Table and project meeting,** Dialogue and decisions on possible revisions/adjustments to
- Project objectives and aim- Priority Areas
- Work packages
- Activities
- Methods
- Cooperation among project leaders and partners
- Overall budgetary implications
- 14.00 Coffee and informal discussions
- 14. 15 Round Table and project meeting continues
- 15.00 Conclusions and closing of the meeting

Important information about travel and accommodation costs

The project can support travel and accommodation cost for 1-2 representatives from the following BSR states: Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania, Poland, and Sweden.

Please, send your 1-2 chosen representative's names to Britt-Marie S Torstensson, Britt-Marie S Torstensson, <u>britt-marie.torstensson@winnetsverige.se</u> by latest 17 September,

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It is important for the booking of travel and accommodation that will be arranged of Pajala Travel Agency in Sweden.

How to book travel and accommodation?

Pajala Travel Agency will contact all representatives from the Baltic Sea Region Countries, to book for the travel and accommodation to and in Warsaw, Poland. (If possible for 2 representative) The accommodation will be paid for one night in Warsaw, Poland. If someone needs to stay one night more, we have to know and discuss before confirmation.

Baltic Sea Region states from: Denmark, Finland and Germany are welcome to participate on their own expenses for travel and accommodation

How to get to Warsaw, Poland,

The best way to reach Warsaw is to fly to the Chopin Airport/or Modlin Airport and then to take a shuttle bus to the city center. You could also travel to Warsaw by train and/or bus.

How to get other information?

In case of questions, ideas or problems please do not hesitate to contact: Britt-Marie Söderberg Torstensson, britt-marie.torstensson@winnetsverige.se, or on phone: +46 70 2601277 or Ewa Ruminska Zimny, +48 511 845 375

Registration for the Round Table Project meeting

Please, do your registration to Ewa Ruminska-Zimny ewa.a.ruminska@gmail.com by latest September 19, 2013