

Conference

«Development of Transport Infrastructure in the BEATA region»

To be held 24 April 2008 in Murmansk.

The organizer of the Conference is the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation in co-operation with the Government of the Murmansk Region.

The draft programme of the Conference is attached.

The Conference will be centered on issues of the development of transport connections in the BEATA region, in particular, on shipping and port infrastructure.

Participants from the Russian Federation are representatives of the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation, the Government of the Murmansk Region, Federal Agency for the Administration of Special Economic Zones, JSC «Murmansk Shipping Company», JSC «Managing Company «Murmansk Transport Hub», and others.

We expect that the Conference creates additional opportunities for the development of mutually beneficial international co-operation between the regions of our countries, in particular, in the sphere of transportation and trade development.

We take this opportunity to invite you and representatives of the interested companies (transport operators, ports, etc.) to take part in the Conference.

Within the framework of the Conference participants (both from government bodies and private companies) will have the opportunity to make presentations and reports on topics of their concern and conduct necessary bilateral meetings.

We would appreciate if you could confirm the participation with the details of the participants and their presentations at your earliest convenience.

The address of the venue will be provided at the earliest possible.

All the expenses connected with the participation in the Conference (transport, accommodation) are covered by participants themselves.

Participants of the Conference will be assisted in hotel reservation by the organizers of the Conference.

We expect the size of each delegation at the Conference to be not more than 10-14 people per BEATA member-state.

To get registered for participation it is necessary to fill in the attached registration form and send it to the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation to kushnirenkoEA@mintrans.ru

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Conference Program

"Development of the transport infrastructure in the BEATA"

Opening the conference, greetings

- 10.00 Greetings:
- Representatives of the Ministry of Transport of Russia
 - Representatives of the Government of the Murmansk region

Main directions of the development of transport infrastructure in the BEATA

- Report of the representative of the Ministry of Transport of Russia
- Report of the representative of the Government of Murmansk region "On development of the transport system of Murmansk region"
- Report of the representative of the Federal Agency for the Administration of Special Economic Zones
- Reports of the representatives of member countries BEATA

Discussion

11.30-12.00

Cofe-break

12.00-12.20

Prospects for the development of shipping and port infrastructure in the BEATA

12.20

The development of the Murmansk hub

- Report of the general director of "Management Company "Murmansk hub" A.G. Shapovalyannts "On the complex development of the Murmansk hub"
- Report of the general director of "Murmansk Shipping Company" A.M. Medvedev (topic will be advised optional)
- Reports by representatives of the shipping companies, stevedoring companies, logistics companies

The development of port infrastructure and transport links with the port of Murmansk others member countries of BEATA

- Reports by the representatives of Norway, Finland, Sweden

13.30-14.00

Discussion

14.00-15.00 Lunch

15.00-17.00 The tour of the Kola Bay with inspection of transshipment terminals in the port of Murmansk