



**17th Meeting of the Joint Working Group for Health and related Social Issues (JWGHS)
of the Barents Euro-Arctic Council
Petrozavodsk, Russia
DRAFT – Annotated Agenda**

09.00 Registration. Coffee/tea

09.15 Opening of the meeting

The meeting will be opened by Minister of Health of Karelia, Ms. Valentina Ulich

**Presentation of the participants
Adoption of the agenda**

09.35 Information about the latest developments of the Barents Euro Arctic Council (BEAC) including information on the development of the Action Plan on Climate Change

Information about the priorities of the BEAC chairmanship and latest developments.

The representatives are invited to take note of the presented information.

09:50 Cross disciplinary cooperation within the health cooperation in the Northern Area

Chair NDPHS Expert Group (ASA EG) on alcohol and substance abuse

10:30 Report from the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme Steering Committee

The Chair of the Barents HIV/AIDS Programme Steering Committee is invited to report on the work of the Steering committee. Accomplished and planned meetings and activities, and how they relate to the 4th Barents co-operation programme on health and related social issues should be included.

The representatives are invited to take note of the presented information.

11.00 Coffee break

11.30 Report from the Barents Tuberculosis Programme Steering Committee

The Chair of the Barents TB Steering Committee is invited to report on the work of the Steering committee. Accomplished and planned meetings and activities, and how they relate to the 4th Barents co-operation programme on health and related social issues should be included.

The representatives are invited to take note of the presented information.

12:00 Report from the Barents Programme for Children and Youth at Risk (CYAR) Steering Committee

The Chair of the Barents CYAR Programme Steering Committee is invited to report on the work of the Steering Committee. Accomplished and planned meetings and activities, and how they relate to the 4th Barents co-operation programme on health and related social issues should be included.

The representatives are invited to take note of the presented information.

12.30 Lunch

13:30 Information from regional and national representatives on current and future co-operation concerning health and social issues.

10 minutes are allocated for the presentation from each country/region, including questions.

The representatives are invited to include information about the situation in their own country/region with regard to funding of participation (travel and accommodation costs) in future meetings of the JWGHS in the Russian Federation and in the Nordic Countries.

Finland, as the Chair country of the Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being is invited to include information about the latest developments of the NDPHS in the presentation.

14:30 Coffee break

14:45 Information from regional and national representatives on current and future co-operation concerning health and social issues.
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15:30 NDPHS Annual report 2013

Any other business

15.45 Norway and Karelia handing over the chairmanship to Sweden and Murmansk

Next meeting

The co-chairs Sweden/Murmansk will provide information about the next meeting of the JWGHS

16:00 Closing of the meeting

19.30 Dinner