

Forest Sector Task Force of the Barents Euro-Arctic Council

Program of the Forest Sector Task Force Meeting in Luleå, Sweden 24-26 May, 2011

Venue: Hotel Nordkalotten, Luleå, Sweden

Dates: 24-26 May, 2011

Organiser: The Swedish Forest Agency

Registration: Until 17th May, 2011

Language: English and interpretation to Russian

Please note: Each participant of the meeting have to book accommodation at Hotel Nordkalotten in Luleå. Rooms have been pre-booked for the meeting. The hotel must have the booking at the latest at the 17th of May.

The hotel is booked via e-mail or by phone referring to “*Barents Meeting*”

E-mail to the hotel: info@nordkalotten.com

Phone to the hotel: +46-920 20 00 00

Hotel homepage: www.nordkalotten.com

A single room costs 997 SEK per night incl. breakfast (approximately 100 EURO). The room should be paid upon arrival. Credit cards accepted.

The Hotel Nordkalotten is situated at Lulviksvägen 1, SW from the city of Luleå, very close to Luleå Airport, and can easily be reached by taxi from the airport.

Please also note: If you need an invitation for visa to Sweden (participants from Russia), please inform this to Eje Andersson at the Swedish Forest Agency: eje.andersson@skogsstyrelsen.se

For further information and registration please contact Eje Andersson or Göran Lindberg (goran.lindberg@skogsstyrelsen.se) at the Swedish Forest Agency

Agenda

Date and time	Activity
24 May	
10.00-11.00	Arrival and registration
11.00-11.30	Carl-Johan Lindén, Senior Advisor at the Ministry of Rural Affairs, Sweden. <i>Welcome speech "The Barents Cooperation in a New World"</i>
11.30-12.30	Eje Andersson, Senior Advisor at the Policy and Analysis Division of the Swedish Forest Agency. <i>Presentation of participants, presentation of the program for the meeting and practical details</i>
12.30-13.30	Lunch
13.30-14.00	Chairman Ivan Sovetnikov. <i>Introductory discussion on a future Action Plan for the Forest Sector Task Force</i>
14.00-14.45	Mats Nordberg, Market Director Swedish Forest Society Foundation/ Researcher Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences - Learning from each others "successes and mistakes in forest management" Marine Elbakidze, Researcher Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences – "What,how much,where and how ? Rates and spatial patterns of timber harvests in boreal forests in Sweden and NW Russia"
14.45-15.15	Coffee
15.15-15.45	Peter Blombäck, head of the Policy and Analysis Division of the Swedish Forest Agency. <i>Information on ideas of a boreal forest sector cooperation "The Boreal Forest Initiative"</i>
15.45-18.00	Short presentation of ca 15 minutes of participants from each country, with following discussion on issues of interest for a future Action Plan for the FSTF. <i>Economic development and efficiency of forestry in the Barents Region (costs of cuttings, of silviculture and forest tending and road transportation costs) during the period 1990-201. Important environment issues.</i>
18.00-19.30	Recreation
19.30-	Dinner at Hotel Nordkalotten

Date and time	Activity
25 May	
07.00-08.00	Breakfast
08.00-09.00	<p>Svante Larsson, District Chief Forester, Region North, the Swedish Forest Agency and Eje Andersson, Senior Advisor at the Policy and Analysis Division of the Swedish Forest Agency.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Swedish Forest Agency tasks and working methods (The Swedish forest policy, Law surveillance, Information and extension services, Contractual services)</i> • <i>Forestry in Sweden (Forest land ownership, Forest management, Forestry operations, Bioenergy, etc with emphasis on economical issues)</i>
09.00-09.30	Per Christofferson, Contractual Services Manager, Region North, the Swedish Forest Agency. <i>Forest road building with environmental consideration, methods and costs</i>
09.30-10.00	Chairman Ivan Sovetnikov. <i>Continued discussion on a future Action Plan for the Forest Sector Task Force</i>
10.00-15.00	Field excursion. Coffee and lunch in the forest. <i>Forest road building, Commercial thinning, Pre-commercial thinning, Harvest of bioenergy sortiments/stumps, etc</i>
	Short stop at Gammelstad church
15.00-16.30	Lars Stenberg, Chief Executive Officer at Luleå Bioenergy. <i>Presentation of the company Luleå Bioenergy including study visit at the plant</i>
17.15	Back at the hotel
18.00-18.45	Chairman Ivan Sovetnikov. <i>Continued discussion on a future Action Plan for the Forest Sector Task Force</i>
19.00-	Dinner

Date and time	Activity
26 May	
06.30-07.30	Breakfast
07.30-08.30	Per Wallén, Senior Advisor, Foreign Ministry and Mattias Lindgren, Advisor, County Administration Board of Norrbotten. <i>Barents Cooperation on National and Regional Level</i>
08.30-09.00	Chairman Ivan Sovetnikov. <i>Continued discussion on a future Action Plan for the Forest Sector Task Force. Concluding remarks. Place and Time for Next Meeting</i>
09.00-09.15	Chairman Ivan Sovetnikov <i>Final remark</i>
09.15-09.45	Coffee
09.45-11.15	Free activities
11.15-	Lunch