DRAFT MEMO of
BARENTS REGIONAL WORKING GROUP ON TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS MEETING

on 02th March 2017, at 09:00 – 15:00 Finnish time
at Helsinki-Vantaa Airport Terminal 2, Congress T2, 3rd floor

Participants:

Hannu Heikkinen, chairman, Regional Council of Kainuu, FI
Sanna Nikola-Määttä, Regional Council of Kainuu, FI
Olli Kiviniemi, Council of Oulu Region, FI
Jyrki Suorsa, Regional Council of North Karelia, FI
Mikael Bergström, Västerbotten, SE
Marius Chramer, Troms County, NO
Steinar Randby, Nordland County, NO
Anni Rimpiläinen, Finnish Transport Agency, FI
Torbjörn Naimak, Norwegian State Road Administration, NO
Juha Hyvärinen, consultant, Traficon Oy, FI

1. Memorandum

Juha will produce.

2. Agenda and situation of the consultant contract

The Agenda was approved (sent by Hannu Heikkinen 17 February).

The Contract b/w the Lead Partner and Traficon Oy is in preparation process with the aim to prepare an application to the Kolarctic CBC first Call of proposals on 15 March as the dead line.

3. Preparation of the application: Barents Transport project for Kolarctic ENI application

Juha introduced the draft application sent to participants. The drafts of application text, LogFrame and budget) was sent to members of the BRWGTTL 24.2.2017.

Application

After discussion the project objective was clarified in more precise. The working version is now: “To put in practice the Barents Transport Strategy (now under preparation process in the multilateral work on the Joint Barents Transport Plan by the Barents Euro Arctic Transport Area on the state level) in a regional level by the Barents regions.”

The Project Activities were partly amended and some new items will be adopted: Now the draft list of the activity groups is:

AG2: a) Follow-up study of the status of the main transport corridors (Study 1) and b) follow-up study of the proposed/analyzed development and investment needs and processes (Study 2) and c) case studies of the practical problems (Study 3) and d) discussion/dissemination seminar/workshop.

AG3: Changes and forecasts in the World’s transport and logistics market (Study 4).

AG4: “Green Transport” as a vision and its practical applications in the Barents Region (Study 5) and b) discussion/dissemination seminar/workshop.

AG5: a) Current status of the ITS in transport and cross-border transport and Logistics (Study 6) and b) Participation in an on-going ITS project (Study 7) in the Barents Region.

AG6: a) Transport and Logistics prospects in the Barents Region (Study 8), b) The transport cross-border cooperation “Action Plan” made by regions (Study 9) and c) organizing of discussion/dissemination seminar.

AG7: Common and completion activities (Promotion, PR, Joint meeting with other ENI – project, project management, final seminar)

Budget

Was agreed to add Norwegian road administration as a partner with equal responsibilities to other Norwegian partners.

The national/regional Norwegian or Swedish co-financing will not be applied. The Norwegian and Swedish partners will be committed to own financing (to be paid partly by own work and partly by “alive” money) form their own resources and will get the same (50%) sum of Norwegian Kolarctic financing and Swedish EU Programme financing accordingly.

Consultant costs form the biggest part of the external costs. The consultant outsourced costs will be divided into Finnish, Swedish and Norwegian country budgets. During the project will be decided how the partners will organize the tendering processes and contracting.

4. Other issues

Time table of the application: Submission the application by March 15. Result known in June 2017 after JMC meeting. In positive case the project works can be launched only after signing of the contract b/w the Lead Partner and JMA to be signed in autumn or later in 2017.

5. Next meeting

In summer 2017.