

Barents Eamiálbmogiid Lávdegoddi

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WGIP MEETING,

Skype 24 August

Started 9.25

Attended by:

WGIP members:

Evgenii Foteev, veps, Russia

Domna Khomiuk, saami, Russia

Lars-Anders Baer, saami, Sweden

Piera Heaka Muotka, saami, Norway

Tuomas Aslak Juuso, saami, Finland

Sekretariat:

Ida Holm Hansen, NBS

Tatiana Egorova, Bipo

Others:

Evgenii Galshenko, interpreter

22/19 Approval of call-up and agenda

Decision: Call-up and agenda approved

23/19 Approval of protocol from the last meeting in Inari

Decision: protocol approved

24/19 Short evaluation of BIPS and BIPC

Decision: In general positive feedback. Only one thing about both AP and resolution-next time we should work out the draft on beforehand.

25/19 Ministeral meeting in Umeå, Sweden, 2-4.10.19

WGIP will be presented by at least two secretaries and the Chair on the ministeral meeting in Umeå.

The Chair will also participate at EU Arctic Dialogue, so it will be great if someone from Russian side can participate in the ministeral meeting, but it is hard due to budget issues.

Decision: find out if the Nenets can find financing

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26/19 Financing of WGIP

For several years the financing of WGIP has been constant. Since the decision of financial support of the four Barents countries was made, prices have changed, and WGIP more or less starts every year with a negative balance. Should we rise the question of increased funding?

Decision: We can mention it on ministerial meeting but also that we are trying to find other financing. The Chair will also raise this issue with EU.

27/19 Travel expenses WGIP

Members of WGIP look differently at which travelling costs should be covered by WGIP. We need to make an overall policy on which costs to cover, which travel means to be used etc. to keep the cost to a minimum.

Decision: We can follow national system of expenses. The Saami representatives from Norway, Sweden and Finland will also check with their Saami Parliaments if costs concerned their participation could be covered by the Saami Parliaments.

28/19 Other issues

- **Potential 3 year cultural/ indigenous cultural project**

The Norwegian department of culture have announced an open project call within the Norwegian or Russian part of the Barents region. It has to be focused on Norwegian-Russian cooperation, but could also include Swedish and/or Finnish participation. WGIP has discussed cultural cross border cooperation several times, should we apply for funding? The deadline for applying is September 15th.

Decision: WGIP will discuss this issue more and maybe apply for creation of the Barents indigenous museums networking.

- **Side event during the 75th year anniversary for the liberation of Finnmark**

The 25th of October it will be 75 years since the soviet army liberated Finnmark from the Germans. This anniversary will be celebrated in Kirkenes, and the WGIP should consider a side event during this celebration. Related to the reindeer transport battalions

Decision: The secretariat will check the opportunities for the participation.

- **WGIP participation at UNPFII Eighteen Session: 13th-24th of april 2020**

Decision: Some of participants might be financed by UN. We need to find out who and how can be financed.

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29/19 Next meeting

Decision: WGIP members will discuss issue later by mail.