

# PROGRAM

Scandic Havet, Bodø



## Wednesday, November 12

**08:00** Registration opens

**09:00-11:30** Separate meetings for Barents Regional Council and Barents Working Groups

*CSO and Regional Committee are invited to Barents Regional Council Meeting*

### *Conference begins*

**11:30-12:30** Lunch

**12:30-12:45** Opening Ceremony

- Welcome remarks by Nordland County Council.
- The Importance of Cross-Border Cooperation

**12:45-14:45** Panel Discussion: Looking forward - Shared Priorities for the European Arctic Region

- Keynote speakers: State Secretaries of Norway, Finland, Sweden, President of the Sámi Parliament, and EU (TBC).
- Moderated by Anu Fredrikson (TBC)

**14:45-15:00** Workshop Information

**15:00-15:30** Coffee Break

## **15:30–17:30 Parallel Workshops**

*Indigenous matters, environment and youth are threads that run through every conversation.*

### **Workshop 1:**

Comprehensive security, civil emergency preparedness and response

### **Workshop 2:**

Business, industry, education and workforce

### **Workshop 3:**

Infrastructure and security of supply

### **Workshop 4:**

Attractive and competitive local communities

**19:00–21:30 Assembly Dinner and Cultural  
Scholarship Award Ceremony**





BODØ 12 - 13 NOV 2025

**EURO-ARCTIC**  
ASSEMBLY

# Thursday, November 13

**08:30–10:00 Summary for workshops through panel discussion**

- Panelists: Workshop coordinators

**10:00–10:30 Coffee Break and Networking**

**10:30–11:45 Panel Discussion: Effective Collaboration Structures**

- Panelists: (TBC)
- Moderated by Stephan Visser

**11:45–12:00 Coffee Break**

**12:00–13:00 Closing Session:  
Shaping the Future of Euro-Arctic Cooperation**

- Panel discussion with regional and national policymakers.
- Focus: Aligning regional and national priorities for cross-border collaboration.
- Moderated by Andreas Raspotnik
- **Closing remarks by Nordland County Council and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**

**13:00–14:00 Lunch and Goodbye**



**Nordland**  
FYLKESKOMMUNE



Länsstyrelsen  
Norrbotten



**POHJOIS-  
POHJANMAA**  
COUNCIL OF OULU REGION



**INTERNATIONAL  
BARENTS SECRETARIAT**



Financed by

**Nordic Council  
of Ministers**