



FOURTH PARLIAMENTARY BARENTS CONFERENCE «Sustainable Development of the Barents Region»

25-27 May 2009, Syktyvkar, Russia

PROGRAMME

25 May 2009 Arrival of participants

26 May 2009

10.00 – 12.30 Syktyvkar Sightseeing Tour “Syktyvkar: the city of the two ages”
(*The bus will depart from Avalon Hotel.*)
National Museum Ethnography Section Exhibition “The traditional
Komi culture through life cycle rites: late 19 c.-early 20 c.”
(*2, Kommunisticheskaya St.*)

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch
(*Vycheгда Restaurant, 126, Kommunisticheskaya St.*)

14.00 – 14.30 Registration of participants
(*State Council of the Republic of Komi, 8, Kommunisticheskaya St.*)

14.30 – 14.45 **Opening of the Conference**

Welcome addresses :

Mr Vladimir TORLOPOV, Head of the Republic of Komi, Russia

Ms Valentina PIVNENKO, Chair of Committee on the North and Far
East Problems, the State Duma; Vice-President of BSPC, Russia

Mr Anton Vasiliev, Chairman of Committee of Senior Officials,
BEAC; Ambassador-at-large, MFA Russia

Ms Berit BRØRBY, MP, Stortinget, President of the Odelsting, Head
of Norwegian Delegation, Norway

Ms Marina ISTIKHOVSKAYA, Chair of the State Council, the
Republic of Komi, Russia

Mr Kent OLSSON, Vice-President of Nordic Council, MP,
Riksdagen, Sweden

Mr Pauli SAAPUNKI, Chairman of Barents Regional Council,
Council Of Oulu Region, Finland

14.45 – 16.30 First session (Chaired by Ms V. Pivnenko)

The role of parliaments in socioeconomic development in the Barents region: public health, culture, education

Ms Valentina PIVNENKO, Head of Committee on the North and Far East Problems, the State Duma; Vice-President of BSPC, Russia

Mr Kent OLSSON, Vice-President of Nordic Council, MP, Riksdagen, Sweden

Ms Berit BRØRBY, MP, Stortinget, President of the Odelsting, Head of Norwegian Delegation, Norway

Mr Risto Autio, MP, Eduskunta, Member of the Nordic Council, Finland

Mr Thore A. NISTAD, MP, Stortinget, Norway

Discussion

16.30 – 17.00 Coffee-break

17.00 – 18.45 Second session (Chaired by Ms B. Brørby)

Environmental protection in the Barents region

Mr Gennady OLEINIK, Chair of the Committee for the Affairs of the North and Indigenous Minorities, the Federation Council, Russia

Mr Asmund KRISTOFFERSEN, MP, Stortinget, Norway, Chair of the Nordic Council's Committee of Environment and Natural Resources

Mr Stefan MIKAELSEN, Vice-President, Sami Parliament, Sweden

Discussion

18.45 – 19.15 Drafting Committee meeting
(by 2 representatives from each member country and international organizations)

20.00 – 22.00 Reception on behalf of the Head of the Republic of Komi
(Pushkinsky Restaurant, 20/2, Pushkin St.)

27 May 2009

09.30 – 10.00 Drafting Committee meeting (if necessary)

09.30 – 11.15 Third session (Chaired by Mr K.OLSSON)

Supporting the indigenous people in the Barents Region

Ms Tone TINGSGÅRD, MP, Riksdagen, Sweden

Mr Anatoly MYANDIN, Vice-Chair of Legislative Assembly, Nenets Autonomous Okrug, Russia

Mr Ivar KRISTIANSEN, MP, Stortinget, Norway, representative of the Arctic Parliamentary Committee

Ms Sigrun ENG, MP, Stortinget, Norway

Discussion

11.45 – 12.00 Concluding remarks (Chaired by Ms V. Pivnenko)

Adoption of the final resolution of the Conference

Closing of the Conference

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch on behalf of Ms Valentina Pivnenko, Chair of Committee on the North and Far East Problems, the State Duma; Vice-President of BSPC
(Elephant Restaurant, Avalon Hotel)

14.00 – 15.30 Visit to Art Grammar School under the Head of the Republic of Komi
Concert performed by pupils of Art Grammar School

Evening Departure of participants