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PROGRAMME FOR THE EVENT

30 NOV 2021, 9.00 A.M. – 1.50 P.M.

VENUE: Hotel Scandic City Oulu

ADDRESS: Saaristonkatu 4

THE LANGUAGE OF THE EVENT: English

9:00 a.m. Registration & morning coffee

- The participants enter the venue & register
- Light breakfast & coffee is served.

9:30 a.m. The opening session

Moderator: **Simo Kekäläinen.**

- Opening: **Ms. Tytti Tuppurainen**, Minister for European Affairs and Ownership Steering of Finland
- Keynote: **Ms. Ninni Norra**, the citizens' representative of Finland in CoFE Plenary
- Keynote: **Mr. Jari Vilén**, Finland's Ambassador for Barents and Northern Dimension at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland
- Greetings by the City of Oulu:
Mayor Päivi Laajala

10:10 a.m. Working groups

- The registries of the event will have simultaneously four dialogues. The dialogues are held in "timeout format" and the dialogues are moderated.
- In each working group there are one moderation (from Timeout organization), approximately 10 participants and a writer (from Oulu youth council)
- There is a possibility for a remote participation. However, if possible, live attendance will be supported.
- Possibility for the minister of European affairs to go around and follow the work of working groups during the session.

WORKING GROUPS

1. Values, rights, rule of Law, democracy and security.
2. Environment and Climate Change.
3. Stronger economy, social justice, jobs/ education, youth, culture, sport/digital transformation;
4. North, arctic and rural areas and their place in Europe

- Agenda of the working groups
- Warm-up 10–15 min.
- Main discussion that can be based on the topics from the pre-discussions. 35 min.
- Short break 5 min.
- Agreeing on the "results". What was discussed about? What was seen as an opportunity? Which challenges were brought up? Possible solutions? 25 min.

11:30 Lunch

12:30 p.m. Public presentation of the results (live-streamed)

- Back to the "main area". One selected person will present the agreed "results" from each discussions.

1:10 p.m. Public round table discussion based on the suggestions from the working groups (live-streamed)

- Round table discussion based on the suggestions from the working groups. Participants:
 - **Ms. Tytti Tuppurainen**, Minister for European Affairs and Ownership Steering of Finland
 - **Ms. Mirja Vehkaperä**, the chair of Oulu City Board and a CoFE Plenary member
 - Three participants from the working groups.
 - The discussion will be moderated by **Simo Kekäläinen.**
- The participants of this live discussion is confirmed at a later stage.

1:50 p.m. Coffee and end of the official programme

6:00–7:30 p.m. City of Oulu evening reception at The Cultural Centre Valve

The reception venue is within walking distance from the Hotel and venue. Live music and dinner will be provided.

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