

## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 29 September 2005

Arrival of participants

Registration at the hotel or at the conference venue, the Sigyn Hall

18.00 Opening Plenary Session

- Mayor of Turku, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of UBC, **Armas Lahoniitty**, *Welcome Address*
- Greeting from the Prime Minister of Finland **Matti Vanhanen**, presented by the Chairman of Turku City Council Mr Pertti Paasio
- Mayor of Kolding, President of UBC, **Per Bødker Andersen**, *Welcome Address*
- H.E. Ambassador, Chairman of the CBSS Committee of Senior Officials, **Kornelius Sigmundsson**, *Address*
- Chairman of the Lake Victoria Region Local Authorities Cooperation, **Stephen Kabuye**, *Address*
- Principal Programme Coordinator, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), **Bernard Hoarau**, *UNITAR: Exchanging Experiences Among Cities - Opportunities and Prospects*
- European Coordinator for “Rail Baltica”, First Czech Commissioner **Pavel Telicka**, *Rail Baltica - Challenge and Opportunity*
- Author, former Latvian Ambassador in Finland, **Anna Zigure**: *Our Sea has many Shores*

19.30 End of Day One (transportation to Arken)

20.00 Get-together Dinner at Arken (Tehtaankatu 2)

FRIDAY, 30 September 2005

Registration continues at the hotel or at Sigyn Hall

8.30 Breakfast Meeting of UBC Presidium and Executive Board (closed) at Sigyn Hall

10.00 Plenary Session

- Director, European Commission, DG Regional Policy, **Elisabeth Helander**, *EU Co-operation in the Baltic Sea Region*
- Deputy Chairman of the Committee on European Affairs, Deutscher Bundestag, Minister a.D **Kurt Bodewig**, *The Baltic Sea and the role of it in the European Transport System –Motorways of the Seas*
- Director-General **Markku Mylly**, Finnish Maritime Administration, *Baltic Sea Region as Part of European Transport Networks - Maritime Safety*
- Mayor Emeritus (Stockholm), **Carl Cederschiöld**, *Cities and Competitiveness*
- Mayor of Kronshtadt, representative of the Governor of St.Petersburg, **Viktor Surikov**, *Cities and Good Neighbourhood Policies*
- Chairman of Committe on Spatial Development of VASAB, **Zbigniew Rykowski**, *Results of the 6th VASAB Ministerial Conference*
- Vice Mayor of the City of Ancona, Forum of Adriatic & Ionian Cities, **Emilio D'Alessio**, *Baltic Sea Region - A Mediterranean View*

13.00 Lunch Break

14.00 Parallel Forums

- Maritime Logistics Corridors in the BSR
- Promoting Human Contacts in the BSR
- BSR Cities and the EU Budget Framework
- BSR Cities and the New Neighbourhood Policies
- An Active and Attractive City: physical activity promotes wellbeing (co-organised with the Baltic Region Healthy Cities Association)
- LVRLAC - UBC Co-operation Forum

17.00 Closing Plenary

- Development Manager **Mikko Rönnholm** Fortum Heat, Address
- Signing of the Memorandum of Understanding on Sustainable Port and Maritime Policy in the Baltic Sea Region, **Project partners**
- Reports from the afternoon forums
- Director for International Affairs, The Swedish National Board for Youth Affairs, **Vegard Hölaas**, *European Voluntary Service*
- Greetings of Prime Minister of the Republic of Estonia, **Andrus Ansip**, presented by the Mayor of the City of Tartu Ms Laine Jänes

20.00 Dinner Reception by the City of Turku at Turku Castle (Linnankatu 80)  
Awarding Ceremony of the Best Environmental Practice in Baltic Cities Award 2005

SATURDAY, 1 October 2005

08.30-10.10 Meetings of UBC Commissions and Networks

10.10-10.30 Coffee Break

10.30-11.00 Opening of the General Assembly

Report on UBC Activities October 2003 - September 2005  
Per Bødker Andersen, President of UBC

11.00-12.30 Reports from the Commissions and Networks

12.30-13.30 Lunch

13.30-16.00 General Assembly continued

Auditor's Report  
Board of Audit Report  
Absolving the Presidium, the Board and the Secretary General  
Membership Fees 2006-2007  
Approval of UBC Auditor  
Election of the Executive Board  
Election of the President and Vice-Presidents  
Election of the Board of Audit

Adoption of the Conference Resolution

Venue of the IX UBC General Conference in October 2007 (Pärnu)

19.00 Dinner at Turku VPK House (Eskelinkatu 5)

SUNDAY, 2 October 2005

10.00-13.00 Optional Excursions  
Turku Sightseeing  
Tour in Island Ruissalo

Departure of Participants

**At the same time in Turku**

- Meeting of the Senior officials of CBSS 28-29.9.2005
- Co-ordination meeting of the Baltic Sea organisations 29.9.2005