

**THE RAILWAY OF THE FUTURE - A DRAFT PROGRAMME**
**WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH**

20.00 Arrival of participants  
Reception at *the Scandic Kajanus hotel*

**THURSDAY 23 MARCH**

08.30 – 09.00 Registration of Participants, Coffee

09.00 **Seminar opening and Objectives**, Chairman of the Regional Council, *Timo Korhonen*

09.10 **I Plenary session, Opening address**  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
Ministry of Transport Finland  
Ministry of Transport Russia  
BEATA, Martti Miettinen  
Barents Link, *Mårten Edberg*

10.30 Coffee

10.45 **II Session - Regional Perspectives on Barents-Link**  
Ministry of Economy of the Russian Federation  
Komi Republic  
Arkhangel Region  
Republic of Karelia, *Minister Krysenkov*  
State Provincial Office of Oulu  
Mayor of Kostamuksha, *M. Jurinov*

12.30 Lunch

13.30 **III The Way Forward**  
N.E.W.  
Port of Narvik  
October Railways  
Severnaja Railways  
Finnish Railways

14.45

**The Way Forward II**

Joint Authority of Kainuu Region, Executive Director  
Hannu Leskinen  
Swedish forest company  
UPM-Kymmene  
Karelian Pellet Ltd, Grinenkov Valeri Ivanovitsh  
Rautaruukki Ltd.  
Avesta Polarit in Tornio

15.45

Coffee

16.00

**V The Way Forward**

Talgo-Transtech Ltd.  
Forwarding company from Sweden  
Ports of Ostrabotnia, Kari Himanen  
Gasprom  
Fortum

17.00

Closing of Day One

19.00 – 22.00

Social Programme

**FRIDAY 23 MARCH**

9.00

**V Networks for Peace and Development**

Opening, Russian Trade Mission to Finland  
High Level Group member, Extension of the major trans-European transport axes, EC  
InterBaltic, Per Stömhaug  
STBR II

9.10

10.30

Coffee

10.45

Perspective from Chinese side  
Pöyry Ltd. Juha Hyvärinen  
Sector Programme Wood, Erik Sollen  
Via Vartius Ltd, Heikki Haataja  
International Funding Source

12.00

**Closing speech**

Lunch



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**GENERAL INFORMATION****SEMINAR OBJECTIVE**

Seminar objective is to discover the potentials of Barents Link freight transport route in connection to N.E.W. corridor and to challenge the missing links along the route in the near future. In order to do so, there is a need to pinpoint the development goals of 1) different regions and 2) businesses, and to produce a clear vision on how to get Barents Link running.

**REGISTRATION**

Please use the registration form and send it no later than 10<sup>th</sup> March 2006 to: fax +358-8-629 781 or [jyri.kokkonen@kainuu.fi](mailto:jyri.kokkonen@kainuu.fi)

**ARRIVAL**

Kajaani can be reached by air Kajaani-Airport, 15 minutes by bus to Central Kajaani, bus stop by the Scandic Kajanus hotel. Bus is scheduled according the flights and bus driver signs the hotel stop. After the seminar has finished the airport shuttle will leave from the hotel. Road connections runs from Oulu (road route 22 – 5), 2 hours by car, and from Rovaniemi (road route 78 - 22 - 5), 3 h 50 minutes by car.

On Friday 24 March 2006 take-offs for flights are 14.30 and 20.40.

**COSTS**

Due to financial participation by the European Commission – Interreg III programme, public authorities and sponsors, the fee for participating is low or free. For all the participants meetings, seminars, interpretation in Russia, Finnish and English, lunches and dinners related costs are paid. Further offerings will be pointed as arrangements proceeds.

**ACCOMMODATION**

Scandic Kajanus hotel at only stone's throw away form the meeting venue have been booked at special discount rates for the participants of the conference. More detailed information will be given at <http://www.hotellikajaani.fi>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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***From behalf of the Kainuu Region and Barents 2010 Project Welcome to make your links and have a word in Kajaani !***

