



LETTER OF INTENT

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Anne Ståhl Mousa
BSC Secretariat

Uusimaa Regional Council offers to host the Secretariat for the Baltic Sea Commission from 1st January 2011 onwards. Helsinki-Uusimaa Region is ready to provide adequate resources, both financial and personnel, in order to develop BSC's work with Baltic Sea cooperation issues. Helsinki-Uusimaa Region has already presented offer to host Secretariat earlier, during the previous Executive Committee Meeting in Brussels on March 10th -11th.

The person, who Uusimaa Regional Council is proposing as next Executive Secretary is Mr Janne Tamminen. He is working as Senior Officer in Uusimaa Regional Council. Helsinki-Uusimaa Region welcomes the idea of integrate also Region Västerbotten in BSC Secretariat's work by offering a position in secretariat for Ms Anne Ståhl Mousa. This arrangement would guarantee more resources for the secretariat, keeping at the same time present competence within the secretariat.

Helsinki-Uusimaa Region would like to point out also, that if the new President is elected from Sweden (Region Stockholm), Executive Secretary should be elected from another country. According the rules (article 5) the Executive Secretary should be appointed from another country than the President.

Furthermore, Helsinki-Uusimaa Region regards, that it is important to have actors in key positions from various regions in order to strengthen cooperation between the countries in Baltic Sea area.

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