

## **Workshop 3 - Organised crime in the Baltic Sea Region, a threat to sustainable economic growth and security?**

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The Baltic Sea Region is one of Europe's most attractive trade and growth centres. The geographical proximity between the Baltic countries and other growing economies further east is a strategic advantage with great potential for the future.

The increased openness and movement between the Baltic Sea countries can, however, also be used for other purposes. Organised crime, human trafficking and prostitution appear to follow in the path of this new openness and may constitute a threat to security and long term sustainable growth in the Baltic Sea Region.

In what way can organised crime be a threat to security in the Baltic Sea Region?

How does it effect sustainable economic growth?

Why does human trafficking and prostitution exist?

What can we regional representatives do to counteract organised crime and human trafficking?

### Programme

Moderator: Tommy Karlsson, Stockholm County Council

- 13.30 Welcome. Introduction to the workshop  
*Tommy Karlsson, Stockholm County Council*
- 13.40 Organised crime in the Baltic Sea Region  
*Staffan Kvarnström, Swedish national OPC coordinator in the  
"Task force on Organised Crime in the Baltic Sea Region"*
- 14.30 Presentation of Project Europe  
*Jonas Trolle, Inspector, Stockholm County Police*
- 14.45 Coffee
- 15.15 Co-operation programme against organised crime in the Stockholm County  
*Marie Eriksson, Project manager, County Administrative Board of Stockholm*
- Discussion
- 16.00 Conclusions. Closing of the workshop  
*Tommy Karlsson, Stockholm County Council*