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## **SECOND NORTHERN DIMENSION PARLIAMENTARY FORUM**

**22-23 February 2011**

**Tromsø, Norway**

**Venue: Hotel Rica Ishavshotel**

### **Programme**

#### **The Northern Dimension Policy and its Partnerships Future Perspectives**

##### **Monday 21 February**

- 19.00 Reception at *Polaria*, the aquarium in Tromsø  
Host: *Mr Bendiks H. Arnesen*, Chair of Stortinget's Delegation to Nordic Council
- Introduction to "Norwegian Activities in Polar Areas", *Mr. Jan-Gunnar Winther*,  
Director of Norwegian Polar Institute

##### **Tuesday 22 February**

- 09.00 Time available for meetings in various parliamentary bodies

##### **First Session**

##### ***Northern Dimension Policy***

- 13.00 Opening of the Forum by  
*Mr. Dag Terje Andersen*, President of Stortinget (Norwegian parliament)
- Mr. Egil Olli*, President of the Saami Parliament, Norway
- Chairs:* *Mr Bendiks H. Arnesen*, Chair of Stortinget's Delegation to Nordic Council  
*Ms Rigmor A. Eide*, Vice-Chair of Delegation to Nordic Council

***”Northern Dimension: An integrated policy of the Northern Part of Europe”***

Mr. *Espen Barth Eide*, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway

Mr. *Thierry Béchet*, Acting Head of unit of “Regional Cooperation, Eastern Partnership & Multilateral Affairs”, European External Action Service (EEAS), EU

Ms. *Valentina Pivnenko*, MP, State Duma, Russia

Dr. *James D. Lunney*, MP, Canada

Debate

**Second Session**

***The Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being***

*Chairs:* Ms. *Valentina Pivnenko*, Chair of the Standing Committee on Problems of the North and the Far East, State Duma, Russia

Mr. *Morten Høglund*, MP, President of Conference of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region

*”Lifestyles’ impact on health and social well-being”*

Mr. *Oleg Chestnov*, Chair of the NDPHS Committee of Senior Representatives

The speech will be delivered by Mr Marek Maciejowski, Head of NDPHS-secretariat

*”Case: Alcohol-related health problems and how to curb the consumption”*

Mr. *Dagfinn Høybråten*, MP, Norway, former Minister of Labour and Social Affairs

Debate

***The Northern Dimension Partnership on Culture***

*”How to disseminate the knowledge of our common cultural heritage?”*

Ms. *Lotte Grepp Knutsen*, State secretary, Ministry of Culture, Norway

Ms. *Olina Thorvardardottir*, MP, Iceland

Debate

**18.00 Meeting of the Drafting Committee**

Venue: Room “Nord-Norge”, Rica Ishavshotel, first floor.

**19.30 Dinner hosted by Mr Dag Terje Andersen, President of Stortinget**

Venue: Hotel Radisson BLU

## **Wednesday 23 February**

### **08.00 Meeting of the Drafting Committee**

Venue: Rom "Nord-Norge", Rica Ishavshotel, first floor

### **09.00 Third Session**

#### ***The Northern Dimension Environmental Partnership***

*Chairs:* Mr. Pat the Cope Gallagher, MEP, European Parliament

Ms. Christina Gestrin, MP, President of the Baltic Sea Parliamentary Conference

*"The flagship of Northern Dimension"*

Mr. Magnus Rystedt, Director of NEFCO

Mr. Evgeny Tugolukov, MP, Chair of Environmental Committee, State Duma, Russia

Debate

*Chairs:* Ms. Þórunn Sveinbjarnardóttir, MP, Althingi, Iceland

Ms. Marion Pedersen, MP, Vice-President of the Nordic Council

#### ***The Northern Dimension Partnership on Transport and Logistics***

*"The maritime and terrestrial transport in the ND"*

Ms. Magnhild Kleppa, Minister of Transport and Communications, Norway

Mr. Jörg Leichtfried, MEP, European Parliament

Debate

### **12.30 Adoption of Final Statement**

### **12.45 Closure of the Second Northern Dimension Parliamentary Forum**

### **13.00 Lunch**

Venue: Hotel Rica Ishavshotel

