



**Barents Euro-Arctic Council (BEAC)**

**Action Plan on Climate Change in the Barents Region**

**Workshop 20-21 March 2012 at Losby Gods, near Oslo**

Objective: Develop a shared basis for elaboration of an Action Plan on Climate Change in the Barents Region

Tuesday 20 March 2012

Chair: Jan Thompson

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch

13.00 – 13.30 Opening of the Workshop

*Political Advisor Audun Garberg, Norwegian Ministry of the Environment*

*Ambassador Sverre Stub, Chair of the Committee of Senior Officials (CSO), Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

*Senior Adviser Sari Roininen, Secretariat of the Barents Regional Council in the County of Norrbotten, Sweden.*

13.30 – 14.30 Recent developments in science and policy related to climate change in the Barents Region

*Arctic Council (Caroline Dickson, Ministry of Environment, Sweden)*

*Regional Climate Change Strategies and Action Planning (Satu Himanen, Thule Institute, Oulu, Finland)*

*Fram Centre: Effects of climate change on terrestrial ecosystems, landscapes, society and indigenous peoples. (Jarle W. Bjerke, FRAM – High North Research Centre for Climate and the Environment, Norway)*

1430-1450

*Coffee Break*

1450-1600

Recent developments in science and policy related to climate change in the Barents Region, continuation

*Climate change in the marine Arctic (Genrikh Alekseev, Arctic and Antarctic Institute, St. Petersburg, Russia)*

*Climate change and its impacts in the Russian Arctic (Vladimir Kattsov, Main Geophysical Observatory, St. Petersburg, Russia)*

*Arctic Monitoring and Assessment Program (Lars-Otto Reiersen, AMAP)*

*Integrated Climate Change Strategies for Sustainable Development of Russia's Arctic Regions (Case Study for Murmansk Oblast) (Vladimir Masloboev, Kola Science Center, Murmansk/Apatity, Russia)*

1600-1610

Short break

1610-1630

Considerations to be made in relation to the development of an Action Plan. Previous BEAC recommendations and possible elements to be included.

*Harald Dovland, Carbon Limits, coordinator for the development of the draft Action Plan*

1630 – 1800

Initial comments from the Working Groups on their work in relation to climate change and input to the development of a draft Action Plan, and from other stakeholders (to be continued on day 2)

*Chairperson and/or other representatives of the Working Groups, indigenous peoples; NEFCO; others*

1800 -

End of day one

1900 -

Dinner

Wednesday 21 March 2012

Chair: Henna Haapala

09.00 – 10.30 Initial comments from the Working Groups on their work in relation to climate change and input to the development of a draft Action Plan, and from other stakeholders (continued from day 1)

*Chairperson and/or other representatives of the Working Groups etc.*

10.30 – 1100 Coffee break

11.00 - 12.30 Way forward: Development of a realistic draft Action Plan on Climate Change in response to the request from the Committee of Senior Officials

*Discussion led by Jan Thompson*

12.30 – 12.35 Close of workshop

12.35 – 13.30 Lunch

1330 Departure