

## Transport Policy in the North

7 March 2013 – 14.30-16.30, registration starts 14.00

Venue: Permanent Representation of Sweden to the EU, Square de Meeûs 30, Brussels

Organizer: NSPA-network

The Northern Sparsely Populated Areas-network (NSPA) cordially invites you to the seminar **“Transport Policy in the North”** with keynote speakers from the governments of Finland, Norway, Sweden and Russia, the European Commission and the Secretariat for the Northern Dimension Partnership on Transport and Logistics (NDPTL).

The seminar will focus on how transport policy contributes to the development in the North including the Barents region and the Arctic and how infrastructure projects can and should be financed. The speakers will give their view on the opportunities and the impacts of on-going and expected activities in the Arctic region and the Northern Route on trade and transport as well as the preparedness on regional, national and EU level for the future development in the region. Moderator will be Mr. Fabian Zuleeg, Chief Economist at the European Policy Centre (EPC). The seminar will be followed by a reception.

### Registration

For registration please send an e-mail to [ns25@northsweden.eu](mailto:ns25@northsweden.eu).

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We look forward to receive your registration and welcome you on March 7, 2013.

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#### 14.00-14.30 Registration

#### 14.30-14.40 Opening remarks: NSPA – strong, specific and promising

Satu Vehreävesa, Director Regional development  
Regional Council of Pohjois-Savo, Finland

#### 14.40-14.45 Opening remarks, moderator

#### 14.45-15.00 European Transport Policy in the North

Alain Baron, Head of Sector  
International Transport Relations, European Commission, DG MOVE

#### 15.00-15.15 Northern Dimension Partnership on Transport and Logistics

Oddgeir Danielsen, Head of Secretariat  
NDPTL-secretariat

#### 15.15-15.25 Russian perspective and project priorities of the Transport Policy in the North

Representative, Russian Federation

#### 15.25-15.55 Transport policy in the North - Swedish, Norwegian & Finnish Perspectives

Marcus Nordmeyer, Transport Counsellor  
Permanent Representation of Sweden to the EU

Olav Grimsbo, Transport Counsellor  
Mission of Norway to the EU

Hannu Laurikainen, Transport Counsellor  
Permanent Representation of Finland to the EU

#### 15.55-16.05 Reflections and forecasts, moderator

#### 16.05-16.30 Panel discussion

#### 16.30 Closing words, moderator

Reception