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All projects were searched. 85 projects found.

Transnational partnership to develop economic,...

Priority: 1

Contact person: Naz Ahmed Shaikh

Organisation: Geological Survey of Sweden, SGU

Keywords: Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 08/2004

Exploiting the power of water and air in and for spatial...

Priority: 1

Contact person: Britta Kremke

Organisation: Projektkontor2 MV GmbH

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Natural resources, Institution building

Date of submission: 07/2004

Tightrope walkers - the Baltic literary centres

Priority: 1

Contact person: Ms. Melanie Fadel

Organisation: Amt Klützer Winkel (Klützer Winkel authority)

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage

Date of submission: 01/2004

BALTIC RAINBOW - Northern Laboratory of Cultural and...

Priority: 1

Contact person: Pawel Koscielecki

Organisation: National Centre for Culture

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage, Institution building

Date of submission: 02/2004

Development of Sustainable Housing Policy for Existing,...

Priority: 1

Contact person: Valdis Zakis

Organisation: State Agency 'Housing Agency'

Keywords: Macroregional strategies, Urban-urban/rural relationships, Natural resources

Date of submission: 03/2004

Coastal Sustainability as a Challenge

Priority: 1

Contact person: Jouko Högmander
Organisation: Finnish Forrest and Park Service
Keywords:

Date of submission: 08/2004

Baltic Culture and Tourism-Route Fortresses

Priority: 1

Contact person: Mrs. Agnieszka Zurawska-Tatala

Organisation: Municipality of City Kostrzyn nad Odra

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 09/2004

Life and sustainable development in river basin areas - The...

Priority: 1

Contact person: Stefanie Schernikau

Organisation: Koordinierungsstelle der Kommunalen Arbeitsgemeinschaft zur...

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage

Date of submission: 09/2004

COMMON GOALS – SUSTAINABLE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF EU...

Priority: 1

Contact person: Raimo Korhonen

Organisation: Regional Council of Southwest Finland

Keywords: Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, Macroregional strategies, Business environment

Date of submission: 09/2004

Development of tourism strategy in Latvia- Lithuania...

Priority: 1

Contact person: Liga Brunina

Organisation: VSIA Vides projekti

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Macroregional strategies, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 10/2004

Baltic Estuary and Lagoon Management Information System

Priority: 1

Contact person: Ramunas Povilanskas

Organisation: EUCC Baltic Office

Keywords: Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, Cultural and natural heritage, Business environment

Date of submission: 01/2005

BioEnRegion

Priority: 1

Contact person: Lars Larsson

Organisation: Region Siljan

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)

Date of submission: 01/2005

Floating Houses

Priority: 1

Contact person: Jan Prahm

Organisation: TuTech Innovation GmbH

Keywords: Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, Natural resources

Date of submission: 05/2005

Port security and urban development planning

Priority: 2

Contact person: Grad. Geographer Antje Willnow

Organisation: Non profit Institut of Environmental Protection and Safety...

Keywords: Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, Transport, Business environment

Date of submission: 11/2004

BSR Network for Reconstruction of Water Systems in Historic...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Eva Fabry

Organisation: Ekolsunds Foundation

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Natural resources

Date of submission: 08/2004

Lightning Location Network

Priority: 2

Contact person: Tarmo Kaldma

Organisation: Estonian Meteorological and Hydrological Institute

Keywords: Business environment, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Macroregional strategies

Date of submission: 11/2003

Development of Baltic manors and castles

Priority: 2

Contact person: Gatis Liepins

Organisation: Latvia Culture, History and Nature Heritage Development...

Keywords:

Date of submission: 01/2004

IMBA - Intermodal Baltic

Priority: 2

Contact person: Jan Prahm

Organisation: TUHH Technologie GmbH

Keywords: Transport, Macroregional strategies, ICT

Date of submission: 02/2004

BALTIC WINGS

Priority: 2

Contact person: Martins Skinkis

Organisation: Latvia Culture, History and Nature Heritage Development...

Keywords:

Date of submission: 02/2004

Integrated Learning TEChnologies for sustainable capacity...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Ilze Pr#363;se

Organisation: Riga City Council IT centre

Keywords: ICT, Institution building, Macroregional strategies

Date of submission: 02/2004

On-line library as a means of communication and educational...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Malygin Vladimir Ivanovich

Organisation: SevmashVTUZ

Keywords: ICT, Polycentric settlement structure, Cultural and natural heritage

Date of submission: 03/2004

Inland Waterway Network in the South Baltic Sea Region and...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Joanna #262;wiklik

Organisation: Town Hall

Keywords: Transport, Macroregional strategies

Date of submission: 04/2004

Treatment Of City Rain Waters With Min Impact On...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Sigita Kriau#269;i#363;nien#279;

Organisation: Ukmerge Regional Government

Keywords: Business environment, Polycentric settlement structure, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)

Date of submission: 04/2004

Railway station development in the Baltic Sea Region

Priority: 2

Contact person: Ludger Sippel

Organisation: Agentur BahnStadt

Keywords: Transport, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)

Date of submission: 06/2004

Baltic Metropolises Innovation Strategy

Priority: 2

Contact person: Olli Keinänen

Organisation: City of Helsinki

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Business environment, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 08/2004

Via Baltica Nordica Connections

Priority: 2

Contact person: Matti Lipsanen

Organisation: Regional Council of Häme

Keywords: Transport, Polycentric settlement structure, Macroregional strategies

Date of submission: 08/2004

Baltic cities

Priority: 2

Contact person: Lars Prahler

Organisation: GOS mbH

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 08/2004

Innovative Urban Spatial Planning - Increasing the...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Gunars Ansins

Organisation: Liepaja Development Department

Keywords: Urban-urban/rural relationships, Business environment, Polycentric settlement structure

Date of submission: 09/2004

Retail Development - The Competence Network in the Baltic...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Markus Lang

Organisation: REM Consult

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Urban-urban/rural relationships, Business environment

Date of submission: 10/2004

HERMES Network of sustainable regional airports and cities

Priority: 2

Contact person: Joerg Straeussler

Organisation: Baltic Energy Forum e.V.

Keywords: Transport

Date of submission: 12/2004

SCIPORT-BSR

Priority: 2

Contact person: Jan Prahm

Organisation: TuTech Innovation GmbH

Keywords: Transport, ICT, Natural resources

Date of submission: 12/2004

WET - Water Environmental Towns as Engines for Regional...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Ms Paula Tuomi, project assistant

Organisation: City of Jyväskylä

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure

Date of submission: 01/2005

Inland waterway network in the Baltic Sea region and its...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Elzbieta Latocha-Gatarek

Organisation: Gdansk University of Technology

Keywords: Transport, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 01/2005

BALTIC RURAL BROADBAND PROJECT

Priority: 2

Contact person: Ulrich Müller

Organisation: ProArbeit gGmbH

Keywords: ICT, Polycentric settlement structure, Business environment

Date of submission: 01/2005

Soil protection in the frame of the management of NATURA...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Dr. Friederike Lang

Organisation: Department of Soil Science

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Natural resources, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)

Date of submission: 02/2005

Preservation and Re-use of the Lighthouses in the Baltic...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Ari Koski

Organisation: University of Turku

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 03/2005

Sustainable management of angling tourism in Natura 2000...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Gudrun Zubke-Hoepel

Organisation: Fortbildungsakademie der Wirtschaft (FAW) gGmbH

Keywords: Natural resources, Cultural and natural heritage, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 03/2005

Small Towns Revitalisation Scheme

Priority: 2

Contact person: Magdalena Sekuła

Organisation: City Hall of Sopot

Keywords: Urban-urban/rural relationships, Cultural and natural heritage, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)

Date of submission: 03/2005

Connecting Öresund-Szczecin-Berlin

Priority: 2

Contact person: Carina Johnsson

Organisation: Region Skåne

Keywords: Business environment

Date of submission: 05/2005

BALTASAR - Baltic Telematics Arena for Spatial opportunities

Priority: 2

Contact person: Lars Örnfelt

Organisation: Swedish National Road Administration

Keywords: Transport, ICT, Business environment

Date of submission: 05/2005

Promote diversity and competence

Priority: 2

Contact person: Carina Johnsson

Organisation: Region Skåne

Keywords: Urban-urban/rural relationships, Business environment, Polycentric settlement structure

Date of submission: 05/2005

Visitors' BALTIC+

Priority: 2

Contact person: Carina Johnsson

Organisation: Region Skåne

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Urban-urban/rural relationships, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 05/2005

DaGob Dangerous Goods Supply Chains in the Baltic Sea Region

Priority: 2

Contact person: Eeva Aarnio

Organisation: Turku School of Economics and Business Administration

Keywords: Transport, Business environment, Institution building

Date of submission: 05/2005

LogOn Baltic - Logistics Efficiency through IT Interfaces...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Torsten Hoffmann

Organisation: Turku School of Economics and Business Administration

Keywords: ICT, Business environment, Transport

Date of submission: 05/2005

Interregional Communication and Information Network – i-COIN

Priority: 2

Contact person: Mrs Haleh Lindqvist

Organisation: West Sweden

Keywords: ICT, Polycentric settlement structure, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 05/2005

Network of Industrial Parks (IPs) in New and Old EU Member...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Aivar Soop

Organisation: Association of Local Governments in Tartu County

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Business environment, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 05/2005

GoverNetCity

Priority: 2

Contact person: Jacek Lendzion

Organisation: Environment & Development

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Business environment, Institution building

Date of submission: 05/2005

PRIFOR: Strengthening the Contribution of Small-Scale...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Dr Alexander Rosenberg

Organisation: Heidmark Forest District (Chamber of Agriculture)

Keywords: Natural resources, Cultural and natural heritage, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 05/2005

Spatial planning for modern marine houses

Priority: 2

Contact person: Jan Martinsson

Organisation: City of Kalmar

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 05/2005

RESOURCE

Priority: 2

Contact person: Simona Weisleder

Organisation: Zebau GmbH

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Institution building, Natural resources

Date of submission: 05/2005

Main Atlantic salmon rivers of Fennoscandia (ecology,...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Eugeny Ieshko, professor

Organisation: Karelian Research Centre of the Russian Academy of Sciences

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Natural resources

Date of submission: 05/2005

“Green Belt of Fennoscandia” – a natural and cultural World...

Priority: 2

Contact person: Evgeny Ieshko

Organisation: Karelian Research Centre of the Russian Academy of Sciences

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Natural resources

Date of submission: 05/2005

Fast Transport by Ground Effect Crafts

Priority: 2

Contact person: Dr. Uwe Sassenberg
Organisation: University of Wismar
Keywords: Transport, Institution building, Business environment

Date of submission: 05/2005

Twinning of Nordic countries for capacity rising through...

Priority: 3
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Organisation: Kiili municipality
Keywords: Institution building, Urban-urban/rural relationships, Business environment

Date of submission: 08/2004

Support to Science – Entrepreneurship Excellence Link

Priority: 3
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Organisation: Technology Development Foundation
Keywords: Business environment, Institution building

Date of submission: 02/2004

Baltic education, research and business institution network...

Priority: 3
Contact person: Ilze Stokmane
Organisation: Latvian University of Agriculture
Keywords: Institution building

Date of submission: 02/2004

Implementation of the Water Framework Directive in larger...

Priority: 3
Contact person: Stefan Grundström
Organisation: Indalsälvens vattenvårdsförbund
Keywords: Natural resources, Institution building, Macroregional strategies

Date of submission: 03/2004

Bridging Innovation Divide (BID)

Priority: 3
Contact person: Stasys Bielinis
Organisation: Klaipeda Regional Development Agency
Keywords: Business environment, Institution building

Date of submission: 04/2004

Baltic Euroregional Network (BEN)

Priority: 3

Contact person: Sarunas Radvilavicius
Organisation: Nordic Council of Ministers office in Lithuania
Keywords: Institution building, Macroregional strategies, Business environment

Date of submission: 08/2004

Regional Cooperation in Waste Management - RECO

Priority: 3
Contact person: Carl Backlund
Organisation: County Administrative Board of Stockholm
Keywords: Institution building, Macroregional strategies, Natural resources

Date of submission: 08/2004

Virtual Baltic Sea Region Forest Research - VirBSeFoRI

Priority: 3
Contact person: Jari Varjo
Organisation: Finnish Forest Research Institute
Keywords: Institution building, Natural resources, Macroregional strategies

Date of submission: 08/2004

Strengthening institutional structures and spatial planning...

Priority: 3
Contact person: Slawomir Demkowicz-Dobrzanski
Organisation: Association of Polish Communes Euroregion Baltic
Keywords: Institution building, ICT, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 08/2004

ScanBalt Campus – A non-traditional Life Science...

Priority: 3
Contact person: Lise Vinkel Clausen
Organisation: ScanBalt - Borderless Biotech
Keywords: Macroregional strategies, Institution building

Date of submission: 08/2004

Catch the future in the Baltic sea Region

Priority: 3
Contact person: Director Rolf Mirlas
Organisation: The Competence Development Fund in the City of Stockholm
Keywords: Institution building

Date of submission: 08/2004

Facilitating horizontal and vertical networking in the...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Mare Ellen

Organisation: Foundation Tuuru

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, ICT

Date of submission: 09/2004

Via Baltica Nordica Tourism Clustering

Priority: 3

Contact person: Maritta Holmberg

Organisation: Municipality of Umeå

Keywords: Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Institution building

Date of submission: 09/2004

Baltic PartiSeaPation

Priority: 3

Contact person: Paivi Hippelainen

Organisation: Health Control and Environmental Protection Centre City of...

Keywords: Institution building, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, Business environment

Date of submission: 09/2004

BUSTRIP- Baltic Urban Sustainable Transport and...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Risto Veivo

Organisation: UBC Commission on Environment

Keywords: Transport, Polycentric settlement structure

Date of submission: 09/2004

Promotion of new ideas in Architecture, Construction and...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Dr. Uwe Sassenberg

Organisation: Hochschule Wismar, Fachbereich Wirtschaft

Keywords: Macroregional strategies, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage

Date of submission: 09/2004

Equal Life Long Learning Access for Urban and Rural Areas...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Uwe Mögling

Organisation: Volkshochschule Bremerhaven

Keywords: Institution building, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 09/2004

Transnational network for sustainable tree-nursery in the...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Carsten Hagemann

Organisation: Landwirtschaftskammer Schleswig-Holstein

Keywords: Urban-urban/rural relationships, Institution building, Business environment

Date of submission: 09/2004

Development of synergy potentials of SMEs in the...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Carsten Lund

Organisation: EVU - Erhvervscenter for Etablering, Vækst og Udvikling

Keywords: Institution building, Business environment, Cultural and natural heritage

Date of submission: 09/2004

Developing human health and wellbeing together in different...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Pirjo Ylikauma

Organisation: Oulu Polytechnic

Keywords: Institution building, Polycentric settlement structure, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 09/2004

The Baltic Center of development of dredging-technologies.

Priority: 3

Contact person: Valery Gogotadze, Commerce Service Head

Organisation: State Unitary Enterprise "Lenvodhoz"

Keywords: Natural resources, Business environment, Institution building

Date of submission: 10/2004

WIQB -Improving the Quality of Drinking and Waste Water...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Pekka Kastemaa

Organisation: Helsinki Water

Keywords: Institution building

Date of submission: 11/2004

Road of War and Peace and Carolinian Route - A Joint...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Taina Hautamäki

Organisation: University of Helsinki, Seinäjoki Institute for Rural...

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)

Date of submission: 12/2004

Baltic Euroregional Network (BEN)

Priority: 3

Contact person: Sarunas Radvilavicius

Organisation: Nordic Council of Ministers Office in Lithuania

Keywords: Institution building, Macroregional strategies

Date of submission: 01/2005

Promoting democratic planning for improving human wellbeing...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Pirjo Ylikauma

Organisation: Oulu Polytechnic, School of Health and Social Care

Keywords: Polycentric settlement structure, Urban-urban/rural relationships, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas

Date of submission: 01/2005

A.S.A.P. - Efficient Administrative Structures as A...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Joachim Müller

Organisation: Ludwigslust County

Keywords: Institution building, Polycentric settlement structure, ICT

Date of submission: 02/2005

Trans Baltic – Identity guided spatial transformation: the...

Priority: 3

Contact person: Jürgen Meyer, Mayor of SG Dannenberg

Organisation: Samtgemeinde Dannenberg

Keywords: Institution building, Macroregional strategies, Cultural and natural heritage

Date of submission: 03/2005

Effective Cross-Border Business Promotion Network

Priority: 3

Contact person: Martins Paurs

Organisation: Latvian Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Keywords: ICT, Institution building, Business environment

Date of submission: 03/2005

Developing eco and agro tourism in Smorgon-Belarus.

Priority: 3

Contact person: Mr.Vladimir Kalinin

Organisation: SICCHRE

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Institution building

Date of submission: 03/2005

Sustainable frameworks for co-operation

Priority: 3

Contact person: Carina Johnsson

Organisation: Region Skåne

Keywords: Institution building

Date of submission: 05/2005

CABA Clean Air for Valtic Cities

Priority: 3

Contact person: Michael Glotz-Richter

Organisation: City of Bremen / Ministry for Construction, Environment and...

Keywords: Institution building, Transport, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 05/2005

Bread and Fish

Priority: 3

Contact person: Dr. Arnd Heling

Organisation: Verein zur Bildung und Förderung der Sommeruniversität...

Keywords: Cultural and natural heritage, Institution building, Urban-urban/rural relationships

Date of submission: 05/2005

Project Title	Transnational partnership to develop economic, environmental and touristic assets of the Baltic Sea and Skargerrak Region		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
Lead applicant	Geological Survey of Sweden, SGU		
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Mobile	0046706623360		
Thematic keywords	Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas,,		
Project description			
<p>The TRANSBALT-project increases the cross border co-operation between local and regional authorities as well as between public organisations and users. The aim is to indicate best practice solutions for the coastal zone areas by transferring know-how and to stimulate co-operation. The outcomes will be valuable tools for city planners and decision-makers etc. The measurable benefits aimed will be: cost reduction by sharing best practices and know-how, acceleration of risk assessment, increase of industrial and business activities and employment by creating transferable regional business development concept and the pointing out and describing interesting touristic sites in the region.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The Main Objective is to improve geoscientific support to the economic and environmental development of the coastal zone region. Within the Main Objective two aims are pursued: 1) Environmental aims in order to support mitigation of known threats to the environment and to identify environmental time bombs and 2) economic aims to identify new options for economical development in the coastal zone of the Greater Baltic region.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Interregional collaboration, sharing know-how and experience of scientific and technological development. It results in greater knowledge and understanding of our common needs for environmental and spatial planning issues, entrepreneurship, economic and social cohesion, coastal management, shortage of drinking water of good quality, cultural heritage and increase of tourism and will combined lead to sustainable regional development and transregional co-operation.</p>			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Exploiting the power of water and air in and for spatial development in the BSR		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
Lead applicant	State Technical Museum of Mecklenburg-Vorpommern		
Contact person	Britta Kremke	Organisation	Projektkontor2 MV GmbH
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Mobile			
Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Natural resources, Institution building		
Project description			
<p>For several hundreds of years man exploits the power of water and air in the BSR for various purposes (shipbuilding, energy supply..). Today, only a small fraction of all the different technological approaches is being further developed. A number of old technologies and creative approaches has been forgotten and only exist in the collections of old patent documents. The project idea is to collect, file and make visible old patents relating to the exploitation of water and air, to make them visible and easy accessible for the private sector to screen them and to select some interesting ones for presenting them to the public in the whole BSR and to select interesting ones for further research work in Universities and private enterprises.</p>			
Central objectives			
To trigger research related to the exploitation of air and water in the BSR, promote establishment of enterprises, facilitate information exchange, facilitate research, raising awareness of the industrial heritage in the BSR			
Expected benefits			
A searchable, accessible, visible database with patents relating to the exploitation of water and air, promoting this database, selection of most interesting approaches for a circulating multilingual exhibition with real models and computer animations, selection of most practicable approaches for further research in Universities and private enterprises			
Partners found already	Technologie- und Beratungsinstitut Mecklenburg-Vorpommern NORDEX		
Partners searched	Institutions responsible for administration of old patents, technical museums, research institutes interested in research in old patents, private enterprises interested in exploitation of old patents		
Estimated budget	1,5 Mio		
Date of filling-in the form	07/2004		

Project Title	Tightrope walkers - the Baltic literary centres		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage,		
Project description			
<p>With the plan to reconstruct a very old and protected storehouse in the city of Klütz (D) to be used as literary house for the famous author Uwe Johnson (who described himself as 'tightrope walker' due to his constant flitting back and forth between East and West), the idea was born to connect literary houses in the Baltic Sea Area. The main subject and focus of the 'literary road': belonging to the BSR and the aspect 'tightrope walker' - the literary exposure with frontiers will be the main basis of work.</p> <p>The included houses of literature shall build a platform and shall serve as literary meeting places the culture exchange within the BSR. A better understanding of literature with regional reference and an intensified self-confidence with long-term effects on various sectors of the region will be reached. A strong network between the literary Houses shall be created and therefore a technical concept as well as a didactical concept developed and realised with the participation of partner institutes, scientific facilities, ambassadors of culture in the BSR and institutions of literature science.</p>			
Central objectives			
Build a platform consisting of various literary meeting places in the BSR / intensify the cooperation between the countries through networking to realise common projects and to create cross-border structures and committees / -> the 'Route of Literary Centres' shall help overcoming frontiers within the enlarged area of the Mare Balticum			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Experience exchange / common projects on authors involved in the cross-border thematic - Strengthening of cultural exchange and care of cultural heritage - Developing of common didactical material for application in schools / co-operation with scientific facilities - Expansion of cultural and educational tourism within the BSR through study trips, coach and ship tours 			
Partners found already	D: G.-Hauptmann H., W. Koeppen Liter. Centre, U. Johnson Liter. Centre, Buddenbrock H., Ministry for Education, Science and Culture of MV, schools/university / N: Ibsen-Museum / S: Strindberg House / DK: H.-C. Andersen Museum, K. Blixen Museum / further discussions with accession countries and vendors of coach tours and Scandlines running		
Partners searched	Literary houses in Poland, Lithuania, Latvia or Estonia		
Estimated budget	1 Mio Euro + (not fixed yet)		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2004		

Project Title	BALTIC RAINBOW - Northern Laboratory of Cultural and Tourism Product		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage, Institution building		
Project description			
<p>Southern BSR countries haven't a common strategy paper for development of specific sector, based on cultural and natural assets. BALTIC RAINBOW is the answer for this need. Project is divided on two sectoral thematic approaches (segments). Segment 1: Folklore and rural heritage (tradition, monuments, musik, lifestyle) - means that cooperation should lead to solving the question concerned with a using of this heritage in local or/and regional tourism development strategies. Segment 2: National minorities and culture. Project will provide to implemantion of 'good practices' in managment of minorities' cultural modern activities and heritage, supporting of minorities's role in panregional cultural industries. Actions: phase 1 (diagnosis and ex-ante evaluation of rural heritage, folklore in creation of new cultural products and industries, national minorities and their culture, tourism development and cultural sector); phase 2 (creating the strategy paper); phase 3 (tests of programme -actions implementing on the strategy basis); phase 4 (summarise).</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Main objective (impact): Using and strengthening the main assets of cultural heritage in the interest of the entire Baltic Sea Region; promoting specific profiles for BSR tourism.</p> <p>Main result: Supporting the process of building the integrated strategies for tourism development, strengheninig the creation of innovative sustainable tourism and cultural products and transnational networks based on cultural heritage.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>1) - data base overcomed the information about condition of rural heritage, role of the folklore in creation of new cultural products and industries, situation of national minorities and their cultural heritage in states, evaluations of tourism development and cultural sector strategies in BSR regions</p> <p>2) summaries and prespectives documents for thematic approaches 1 and 2 (bacgrounds for strategy papers)</p> <p>3) 'good practices' data base with the list of the small pilotage programmes, implemented on local level (as a test for summaries and prespectives documents)</p>			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	Estonia, Finland, Lithuania, Latvia, Russia (Kalinigrad Region)		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	02/2004		

Project Title	Development of Sustainable Housing Policy for Existing, Deteriorated, Kept without Professional Maintenance Buildings		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Macroregional strategies, Urban-urban/rural relationships, Natural resources		
Project description			
<p>Housing is the main provision of the environment necessary for human living and existence and also on the indicators of the nation's welfare.</p> <p>Nowadays, it is important that the housing is comfortable, economical and realistically maintainable, as well as architectonically spectacular and integrating within the environment.</p> <p>The major problem is caused by the considerable wear and tear and unsatisfactory quality of the housing fund. Nearly 1/3 of the buildings were constructed before the World War 2. The heat insulation of the insulating constructions of the industrially built apartment blocks is low, heat consumption – excessive, hence the maintenance of housing is not only uneconomical, but also environmental unfriendly.</p> <p>The degree of housing improvement in the country is unbalanced, being good in cities but relatively low in towns and rural areas, in aggregate not reaching the standard of the developed European countries.</p> <p>An assessment of the present situation in housing area in Latvia and the awareness of the need to address problems in housing sector, caused by 50 years of totalitarian regime. Expert partners from other countries dealing with the similar type of issues will be invited to make a vital contribution. The direct experience will be augmented by dissemination of experience through conferences, seminars and workshops.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The study of the first generation block-houses that are older than 45 years. The buildings are deteriorated, kept without professional maintenance and should be considered for reconstruction. In most cases the most critical place for such construction is the joint of blocks where prefabricated unit leans on the contour. The study includes the technical and energy audits. The study shall outline the risk elements in construction of those buildings and propose the recommendations.</p> <p>To perform a pilot project on the reconstruction of those type of buildings. Understand the strength and weakness of the management approach for those buildings. Share and transfer experiences already carried out by participants.</p>			
Expected benefits			
The benefit is to create a network to disseminate the knowledge and instruments among different regions in Europe dealing with the housing issues. Joint implementation and testing of new ideas for innovative approach on maintenance. Long – lasting relationships between the participant countries.			
Partners found already	None		
Partners searched	Lithuania, Estonia, Poland, Denmark, Germany, Austria, Great Britain, France and other		
Estimated budget	EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	03/2004		

Project Title	Coastal Sustainability as a Challenge		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	,,		
Project description			
<p>It can be expected that the sea and land traffic as well as the tourist flow will increase considerably in the Baltic Sea region in the near future. As many sustainable livelihoods depend on nature and the Baltic Sea as a resource, it is of great importance to protect these resources. With the high expectations on economical development in the society of today, there is a risk that sustainability and environment protection politics come on the behindhand in the development process. It is of greatest challenge and priority to manage and protect the valuable nature areas at the Baltic coasts as well as maintaining a sustainable way of life in the developing coastal societies in the Baltic region. In the Baltic Sea area there can be seen a lack of knowledge, co-operation and networking between different stakeholders to balance the needs between nature protection and economical development, especially on the local level. There is also a lack of proofed models of good management.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The overarching aim is to support a sustainable use and development of the valuable coastal areas and to support good environmental management, especially on a local level. The operating goals of the project are 1) To develop and test new models and themes for cooperation between local actors and environmental/nature protection authorities, 2) To exchange information about the above described activities among the participating areas, 3) To produce information material, arrange workshops and seminars and cooperate with media to stress and spread information about the present situation and future challenges for sustainable development in the Baltic Sea Region, 4) To arrange and offer tailored education concerning sustainable use of nature as a resource at a local level, 5) Develop a network for future cooperation between governmental authorities, municipalities, entrepreneurs and NGO\'s in especially vulnerable and valuable coastal areas, and 6) Encourage small scale investments to support sustainable use of the nature in the participating areas.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>COASTSUST results in a developing network as a tool for sharing information and knowledge of sustainable development between project partners along the coast of the Baltic Sea. The project focus on creating concrete solutions for sustainable management of natural resources. The project contributes in sustainable developing and diversifying of local economies through piloting concepts and practises by very concrete small scale investments. Possibilities and problems with implementing quality and/or labelling systems are examined. The project produces information material, thereby increasing the interest and awareness for sustainable management of natural resources and protected areas. Through the project also good practises for managing valuable nature areas within the network of UNESCO Biosphere Reserves will be applied.</p>			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	930 000 eur		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Baltic Culture and Tourism-Route Fortresses		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage, Urban-urban/rural relationships		
Project description			
<p>Network for development and economic utilisation of cultural heritage, creating transnational culture and tourism products and promoting scientific co-operation -start project- Fortresses, an important heritage of Europe, a cultural and tourist potential is not yet discovered. Only a few were developed as tourist centres. Former military used, a lot of such are ruins. There are large deficits (concepts for utilisations, cultivation, culture- and tourism-management, marketing). A transnational network "Baltic Culture and Tourism- Route Fortresses" develop an attractive tourist product and marketing under an integrative label, also a network for scientific cooperation.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>This initiative try to save the heritage 'Fortresses', develop an inimitable, spacious, highly qualified cultural and tourist product with various, attractive, all-season offers and an transnational management, it promotes the European cooperation and public-private-partnership.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sustainable promotion of structural transformations, overall impacts, assimilation of the conditions between the regions, - tourist infrastructure as an economic factor, add jobs - Placement of best practices, international know-how-transfer - start project for a pan-European network and tourism product and promoting pan-European cooperation of science 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Saving, inventory, restoration and tourism development of the European heritage 'Fortresses' in the Baltic area, pilot and demonstration projects - Initiation of private investors for an attractive package 'Cultural- and Tourism Route Fortresses' for infrastructure, market chances for small/medium sized companies, enhancement added value, creation new sources of income, - installation specialised scientific centres of consultation, - innovative marketing instruments of merchandising offers, elements of routes, foundation of a central management organisation 			
Partners found already	<p>„fort pool“fortresses: Kiel, Berlin-Spandau, Peitz, Fort Gorgast, Stralsund, Dömitz, Stade, Kostrzyn, Kolobrzeg, Poznan, Torun, Grudziadz, Chelmno, Gdansk, Nowy Dwor, Gizycko, Kaunas, Liepāja, Riga, Kaliningrad “brain pool”: Universities of Berlin, Frankfurt/Oder, Gdansk, Szczecin, Kaunas, Institutes Warsaw, Spatial Planning Institute Kaliningrad</p>		
Partners searched	Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Estonia, Belarus		
Estimated budget	approximately 1.950.000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Life and sustainable development in river basin areas - The set-up of a network 'River basin landscapes - Cultural landscapes' in the BSR		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Project description			
River basin landscapes are some of the most sensitive cultural landscapes in Europe. Against the background of changing general conditions, especially in the european agricultural policy, the project aims to find integral, representative approaches for a sustainable development in river basin landscapes.			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to find out long-term and representative criteria - set-up of a network to convey exemplary experiences - development of cross-border strategies for a sustainable development of tourism in river basin landscapes - 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 'network-effects' and increase of cross-border cooperation - long-term concepts and projects for the development of river basin landscapes in the BSR on the basis of a representative land use strategy - development of model projects that can be realized in cultural landscapes 			
Partners found already	Germany: Landkreis Ludwigslust Poland: Nature Park administration Narew asked: LAGs in Brandenburg administration 'Naturpark Mecklenburgisches Elbetal' administration 'Nature Park Niemunas' (Lithuania) City of Lomza		
Partners searched	local authorities (Kommunen), local districts (Landkreise), Nature Parks, National Park administrations		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	COMMON GOALS – SUSTAINABLE INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT OF EU BORDER AREAS		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas,Macroregional strategies,Business environment		
Project description			
In the single European Economic Area two distinct regions can be clearly identified – economically attractive centres and growing economically underdeveloped areas with sparse population. The latter tendency can be observed also in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. Extreme conditions, distance from local administrative centres and limited resources, have created a situation where local administrations lack both know-how and resources for elaborating development strategies, which would motivate people to stay and work in the region.			
Central objectives			
General objective of the project is mutual integral strengthening of economic, social and spatial coherence of local administrative units of the three Baltic States located along the eastern border of the European Union, enhancing thus the competitiveness of those regions within the EU as well as on the markets on the other side of the eastern border. Concrete goals include the creation of uniform electronic network between local administrative units of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania located along the eastern border of the European Union and the involved partner organisations.			
Expected benefits			
The expected results can be divided into general and concrete ones. The general expected result is the growth of competence and activity of the people contributing to economic, social and spatial coherence of the regions covered by the project. The concrete result is, that each local administration will get a staff member who has successfully passed an international training, and an up to date place of work for that person with necessary technical equipment.			
Partners found already	Regional Council of Southwest Finland (Finland) Norrtälje Kommun (Sweden) Põlva County (Estonia) Tartu Municipality (Estonia) SME Network Systems (Estonia) Latgale Region (Latvia) Daugavpils Municipality (Latvia) Visaginas Municipality (Lithuania)		
Partners searched	Additional partners searched from Lithuania		
Estimated budget	Total budget 2 M€, requested grant 1,5 M€		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Development of tourism strategy in Latvia- Lithuania frontier zone		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy),Macroregional strategies,Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas		
Project description			
<p>The project idea is enhance the competitiveness of Klaipeda county and Kurzeme region that will be developed from improving the access to markets across the borders. In the summers Klaipeda county is loaded by Lithuanian tourists because of accessibility of Baltic Sea. The villas and hotels are engaged but it does not promote competitiveness because it is single place in Lithuania where is possibility to take a rest near Baltic Sea. It is planned that will be developed strategy including upgrading of nature's park in Embute, Latvia (bicycle routes, skiing etc.), public access places to the Baltic Sea coastline in Latvia (Vergale municipality) and Lithuania (windsurfing, camps etc). For example – Tourist in Palanga or Vergale can rent a bicycle and go to Liepaja or Klaipeda region, there is possibility to live in camp near Baltic Sea as well as is possibility to go back to Lithuania/Latvia without bicycle, id est., using microbus or yacht, boat and watch these landscapes which are not possible to sight from coast. In the winters skiing will be available in Embute mount.</p> <p>In that way will be developed unitary net of tourism between several municipalities and/or Tourism information centres in Latvia and Lithuania countries (each place bicycle rent, information about other partner of tourism net, brochures etc.)</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To develop integrated (regional/cross-border) and sustainable strategies for development of tourism, combining infrastructure, marketing, services measures; - To develop feasibility study, technical documentation etc, for further investments in the infrastructure of tourism - To develop new application form for Interreg III for obtaining investments in the infrastructure of tourism - To develop unitary net of tourism. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • joint administrative unit established • tourism development plan • technical documentation (detail design, feasibility study, all construction related documents etc) • investment needs defined for follow-up projects • enhanced cooperation of the Latvian and Lithuanian institutions 			
Partners found already	Embute municipality, Vergale municipality, NGO \"Regional development and tourism\"		
Partners searched	From 4 Lithuanian counties: Klaipeda, Telsiai, Siauliai, Panevezys		
Estimated budget	Approximately 200 000 EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	10/2004		

Project Title	Baltic Estuary and Lagoon Management Information System		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas,Cultural and natural heritage,Business environment		
Project description			
<p>The ultimate goal of the BEALMIS project is to develop and practically apply the right high-quality IT utilities, which should effectively bridge the persistent 'digital divide' between the system managers and data providers on the one side, and data and knowledge users, first of all, regional and local decision makers on the other, for the sake of the integrated spatial management. For this aim the lagoon and estuarine regions in the southern part of the BSR are ideally appropriate as the pilot target areas. Also, blending of the cutting-edge expertise, available within the BEALMIS project partnership network (IT, environmental research, nature conservation and ICZM), gives a unique chance to test the advanced IT-based utilities for the facilitation of better integration of nature conservation with the regional development, which is currently the main challenge for the implementation of BD and HD in these target areas.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objectives of the BEALMIS project are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To establish a coherent trans-national framework for integrated nature protection planning and management in the lagoon and estuarine areas. 2. To create and apply comprehensive web-based lagoon and estuary management information and decision support tools, which would serve the diverse needs of local stakeholders in the target areas. 3. To facilitate involvement of local population in the target areas into the decision taking related to the management of the important nature protection areas. 4. To strengthen regional cooperation among managers, planners and other public and private stakeholders and interested parties in the target areas. 5. To serve as a pattern for integrated management and spatial development of other European lagoon and estuarine areas. 			
Expected benefits			
<p>As a result of the project, data in GIS format and user-ready nature management information will be made available in national languages via the BEALMIS portal. Integrated nature management plans and conflict solutions will be generated and endorsed by the interested parties. Interactive strategic planning workshops involving cross-sector planning teams, public authorities and key stakeholders will be the key media to build a coherent trans-national nature planning approach, to design integrated nature management plans and to generate solutions for cross-sector conflicts. Project results will be disseminated to local communities of the target areas, and highlighted at international fora.</p>			
Partners found already	Bremen Land Senat (DE), Institut fuer Ostseeforschung Warnemuende (DE), Government of Warmia-Mazury Voivodship (PL), EUCC-Poland (PL), Klaipeda Science and Technology Park (LT), Taurage County Governor's Administration (LT)		
Partners searched	County and regional level authorities, which are located in the estuarine and lagoon areas of the Baltic Sea Region		
Estimated budget	1\500\000 EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2005		

Project Title	BioEnRegion		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy),,		
Project description			
<p>The aim of the project is to get an overview of the whole chain from raw material in the forest to energy such as heat and electricity.</p> <p>To receive this knowledge a cluster of actors from forest owners, entrepreneurs, cargo companies, rail ways, technique developers, energy companies and municipalities has been set up. This group of actors has the right knowledge and are able to change important factors in the chain. This means that an actual result which leads to a concrete development of the area is possible.</p> <p>The overall picture will also be studied from an environmental / ecological perspective. How does the use of raw material impact multitude, transport, environment and climate?</p> <p>Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To set up a cluster for regional development To survey fuel supply and outlet of energy Economy in forest care - transport - incineration - distribution Technical improvements Logistical improvements Seminars and visualisation of the project International contacts 			
Central objectives			
<p>The following objectives are central for the project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To increase to use of renewable energy which means a reduction in the use of fossil fuel - To develop a technique for a more efficient management and use of bio fuels - To invent methods where bio fuels can be used for land and environmental improvements - To create conditions for increased employment - To set up an organisation that can export this knowledge 			
Expected benefits			
<p>The project has the following expected benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To reduce the use of fossil fuels - To increase the level of employment in the regions - To enable more women to work within this industry through a more knowledge intensive technique and international work - Setting up of a network in and outside the regions during the duration of the project - That an independent company can proceed with the work that the project started 			
Partners found already	Lund University- Sweden, Swedish Energy Agency, Sweden\'s County Administrations, The Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation the State дума, Italian region?		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	1 million euro (for 3 years)		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2005		

Project Title	Floating Houses		
Priority	1 - Promotion of spatial development approaches and actions for specific territories and sectors (macro regions, coastal zones, islands and other specific areas)		
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Thematic keywords	Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas,Natural resources,		
Project description			
<p>The general objective is to develop new and unconventional concepts for urban living and working on water areas. In many cities in Europe in the recent years a lot of waterfront space has become available for living. This is due to the fact that the docks are moving to other areas of the harbours, due to structural changes of harbour activities, e.g. increase of containerised goods.</p> <p>The areas released from their use for port activities are often in the centre of the cities or nearby, so they are highly attractive housing space. This means not only the land is demanded but also the neighbouring water area. In order to use also these spaces the concept of floating houses has been developed. Floating houses are not house boats! Floating houses provide the same comfort as regular houses on land except that they are floating.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Of course there are peculiarities which raise many questions: What do the potential inhabitants want? How long does such a floating house last? Can it sink? Can it capsize? How can it be supplied with water and energy? How can the wastewater be disposed of? For how long can a house stay at its berth? What effects has it got on its natural environment?</p> <p>These and many more questions this project will answer in order to work out practical guide lines for architects, builders and public authorities for the permission of floating houses.</p>			
Expected benefits			
In the Interreg IIIB project according to the national composition of the consortium a uniform guide line will be prepared fitting for all the involved countries and an exchange of technical, architectural and urban planning experiences will be at the core of the project. This would enable each partner to implement the results of the experience in their situation.			
Partners found already	Technical University of Hamburg-Harburg		
Partners searched	Public authorities and private enterprises from Poland, Denmark and the Baltic States.		
Estimated budget	1200000		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Port security and urban development planning		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas,Transport,Business environment		
Project description			
<p>Since the 1 July 2004 the international law, namely the ISPS-Code and the SOLAS amendments, require the implementation and daily practise of numerous security procedures in port facilities serving ships on international voyage. Scarcely perceived by the public, coastline and riverside communities spared no effort to support the port economy in complying with these new requirements. The ports dwelling population and city tourists partly face restricted access rights since then. Furthermore the new level of security interferes with concepts of many coastline communities to follow new strategies in their urban planning and touristic marketing. Not long ago it was discovered that ancient port basins and old store buildings may be attractive both as background for urban development and for tourist activities. Now the efforts to allow easier access to the ports scenery are withdrawn.</p> <p>This pilot project aims to investigate and to describe for several baltic ports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - present situation of the relationship between inner urban area and port area - partly conflicting challenges of todays port industry and urban planning - motivation of better integration of the ports fringe and derelict port area into urban area - present and expected maritime security (MarSec) requirements - impact of MarSec on public access rights, leisure and tourist activities, - case studies on solutions found in ports for co-existence of the security regime and the dwelling populations and tourists activities 			
Central objectives			
<p>Encouragement of the coastline communities to take the chance of using their authentic port scenery for planning purposes</p> <p>Find and to communicate solutions for the coexistence of urban development and port security requirements transnationally</p>			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Information on the legal background of the international ship and port facility security legislation and its possible impact on planning purposes - Recommendations resulting from case studies of coastline communities addressing the conflicting interests described - More transparency and more public involvement this theme 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	in several baltic regions		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	11/2004		

Project Title	BSR Network for Reconstruction of Water Systems in Historic Parks and Gardens		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Cultural and natural heritage,Natural resources,		
Project description			
<p>The project aims at creating a sustainable network of historic parks and gardens with partners from all Baltic Sea countries with experience from reconstruction of water systems and with a view of enhancing good management of cultural and natural heritage and of water resources.The REWASH project is based on a broad cross-sectoral dialogue and a holistic approach. All partners will be engaged both horizontally (in local small scale investment projects)and vertically (through transnational co-operation in thematic focus areas).Evaluation and dissemination will be lead by universities.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The basic aim of the project is the use of water systems as a basic quality for spatial redevelopment of historic parks and gardens and a source for good management of cultural and natural heritage and natural resources with a view to support the sustainable redevelopment of the BSR.</p> <p>Based on the conviction that key requirements for sustainable development are co-ordination, consultation and integration the REWASH project is based on strategic alliances between public, private and NGO partners and on a broad cross-sectoral partnership of key actors in the BSR countries. The REWASH partnership also desires to serve as a good example of converting water system management to fit the enlarged EU.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>The outcomes of the REWASH project will be</p> <p>(1) Better understanding of water systems (dams, ponds, canals and fountains) in historic parks and gardens and improved water system management in key areas of the BSR region(2) A detailed documentation of pilots of reconstruction of water systems(3) A new strategy and methodology (4) A 'hand-book' (5) A broad PPP and a network based on a cross-sectoral approach (6) Good examples of integrating different sectors in spatial policies and planning practices (7) A new BSR network.</p>			
Partners found already	<p>Sweden: Ekolsunds Castle Ltd, Ekolsund Foundation, County Administrative Board of Uppsala,Regional Employment Board,SLU-Ultuna,Uppland Foundation , Swedish National Antiquities,Upplands Museum</p> <p>Norway: City of Oslo, Bogstad Gård, Bogstad, Bogstad Friendship Association, Norwegian National Cultural Council, Oslo University, ABM Utvikling</p> <p>Estonia: Väike Maaja Municipality, Varangu Mois Herrgård,Tartu,University of Tartu,National Council of Antiquities</p> <p>Lithuania: Palanga Municipality, Palanga Botanical Park</p> <p>Discussions ongoing with partners from Poland, Germany, Latvia and Denmark</p>		
Partners searched	Partners from Finland, Russia and Belorussia.		
Estimated budget	5 M euro		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Lightning Location Network		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Business environment, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Macroregional strategies		
Project description			
<p>Some countries around Baltic Sea already cover his territory by lightning detection networks, others do not have financial possibilities for that.</p> <p>But national networks are not very usable alone; only data from big territory can be used for meteorological needs. Therefore countries that have these networks exchange data between each other and national networks are tightly integrated. Networks integration allows also reduce the number of sensors needed.</p> <p>The idea of this project is to cover the rest of Baltic Sea region and develop the network as one common.</p> <p>It is beneficial not only for not yet covered countries, but also for countries that already are covered, with only data from big area is usable for weather forecasting. Developing network as one common allows reducing developing and operating costs.</p>			
Central objectives			
Cover all Baltic Sea region with integrated lightning location network.			
Expected benefits			
<p>Lightning location information in local territory is valuable for power grid and insurance companies and for aviation safety. It can be used for climatological research as well.</p> <p>Lightning location information from extended area is valuable for weather forecasting. This mean neighboring countries will benefit if some country cover his territory and join the data exchange network.</p> <p>Building one integrated network instead of different national ones allow to noticeable reduce the building and operating costs of it (less sensors and less processing centers is needed).</p>			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	National meteorological authorities. Weather information selling companies. Airports and air traffic control centres. Power grid companies. Insurance companies.		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	11/2003		

Project Title	Development of Baltic manors and castles		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	,,		
Project description			
<p>Baltic Sea Region is unique with its diversity. There are eleven countries in this area each with its different history, diverse social, economical, political and cultural background however they all are unified by Baltic Sea. To improve the integration and co-operation within this region it is crucial to set more unifying issues. Culture has always been strong force for integration.</p> <p>Culture is also important evidence which shows us the different periods of historical development of country or region. Nowadays many of cultural heritage objects in Baltic States are endangered or even ruined, mostly due to the lack of financial support and low perception of significance of culture heritage. Therefore, "Latvia Culture, History and Nature Heritage Development Foundation" (CHHF) has initiated "..." project. This project is set to create and manage co-operation network with the common aim of development of cultural heritage in Baltic Sea Region with focus on Latvia. Co-operation network enables participants to exchange the experience and information within BSR countries. CHHF has combined the expertise of culture heritage, tourism and investment specialists and has an in-depth knowledge and competency in Latvian market.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The main purpose of the project is to create a platform for long term culture heritage development in BSR countries. To achieve this objective it is crucial to create extensive network of public, legal and private sector bodies in order to co-operate and exchange the experience, knowledge and other information on culture heritage development. Gained experience, ideas and knowledge must be integrated into development activities, respectively identification of objects, attraction of capital investments, renovation of objects and implementation of economically sustainable functions.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Development and promotion of cultural heritage will be an asset for regional development leading to increase of economical activity, job opportunities, development of tourism as well as the common understanding and awareness of cultural heritage.</p>			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	We are looking for public organizations in BSR with competency in culture heritage development. We are also interested in co-operation with partners from TACIS countries in the field of development of culture history heritage.		
Estimated budget	~500 000 EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2004		

Project Title	IMBA - Intermodal Baltic		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport,Macroregional strategies,ICT		
Project description			
<p>Support towards the process of integration of the new EU-members of the Baltic region (LT, LV, EE, PL) and the Russian provinces around St. Petersburg and Kaliningrad in the field of sustainable transport is greatly needed. As trade between the new member states and the old member states will increase, the demand for transport will also grow. The need of sustainable transport has been expressed by the EU-Commission in the white paper 'European transport policy for 2010: Time to decide'. To ensure reliable transport and to use resources most efficiently all means of transport have to be used in a sustainable way. Short sea shipping and rail transport still have a great potential. The companies from the new member states naturally know less about the EU than those from the old EU-member states. So they will need support and assistance.</p> <p>This project intends to support the cause of intermodal transport in the Baltic, by preparing a strategy, building new partnerships and realising the potentials of intermodal transport as a tool for sustainable spatial planning in the Baltic.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objective will be to create a strategy to support intermodal the transport community in the whole Baltic region with special emphasis on the new EU-member states in this region. The tools to achieve this will be a database listing all intermodal facilities and companies in the Baltic region, a website with newsletter, workshops and conferences. The idea of these events is to bring together potential partners and to discuss the practical problems and their solutions. The intended outcome of these events is the implementation of new or improved intermodal transport services across and around the Baltic Sea. The activities will be carried out in all BSR countries.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>The expected outcome of the main project is a better information of all actual and potential players of intermodal freight transport in the Baltic region about the offered services and the stimulation of cooperations between the players to start intermodal transports. The intended result is a shift of transports from road to waterway and railway by the implementation of more and better intermodal freight transport connections.</p>			
Partners found already	Kungliga Tekniska högskolan (KTH) (Royal Institute of Technology), Stockholm, Sweden		
Partners searched	Private enterprises, public authorities and research institutions in the relevant countries: Poland, Kaliningrad, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, St. Petersburg, Finland, Sweden, Danmark, Norway, Germany		
Estimated budget	1 Mio Euro		
Date of filling-in the form	02/2004		

Project Title	BALTIC WINGS		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	,,		
Project description			
<p>The air traffic is particularly important for the Baltic Sea region, which is separated by the Baltic Sea. Along with the rising demands of the business people, the market for charter air travel has developed. Within the BSR Poland has made one step ahead the other EU 2004 enlargement countries by developing the know-how on the technological and logistical issues of the charter air transportation services. Within the project the Polish and other expertise will be transferred to Latvia, Lithuania and Russia to facilitate the formation of well-served and technologically well supported customer-receiving centres for the business travellers.</p> <p>The Latvian, Lithuanian and Russian partners will engage in the project to finalise the feasibility assessment for the need of such services in Latvia. The Polish, Russian and other partners will furthermore strengthen the partnership with the potential business client segment for the air transportation.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objective of the project is the diversification of the regional economy through the development of the air transport and the related industries. The particular focus is on business oriented air transport ("air taxi services").</p> <p>The long term-goal of the project is the establishment of efficient air-taxi transportation service network that would create faster transportation links among the BSR countries and integrate this network</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>As a result of the project:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) the technical requirement to be met by the small airports to provide the business air transportation services will be acknowledged, 2) the Feasibility study of air taxi transportation services will be made, 3) the partnership network will be expanded, 4) the development plans for the small airports in the target market countries will be created, 5) the project partners will be prepared to meet the international certification requirements. 			
Partners found already	Jelgava Airport (LV) Ventspils Airport (LV) Russian Business Aviation Association (RU) Palanga Airport (LT) Poland Civil Aviation Board (PL) Latvia Culture, History and Nature Heritage Development Foundation (LV)		
Partners searched	Sweden, Finland, Germany – professional providers of tailored air transportation services		
Estimated budget	400 000 EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	02/2004		

Project Title	Integrated Learning TEChnologies for sustainable capacity development of local authorities in the Baltic Sea Region - ILTEC		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	ICT, Institution building, Macroregional strategies		
Project description			
Facilitating future trans-national co-operation will require pooling of knowledge and improving ICT, language, environmental management as well as other skills to achieve balanced overall competence level in the region. Latest developments of ICT will be incorporated in the learning technologies and learning methods. Learning technologies will represent both the tools for competence management and the medium by which the knowledge will be transferred and disseminated among institutions. Implementation of ICT tools in training will be a long-term investment in capacity of Baltic municipalities and will increase the return of investments in human resources. Project will relate to eGovernment initiative and contribute to interoperability of governments.			
Central objectives			
The envisaged project will create a trans-national communication strategy in training and a common strategy for sustainable development of competences in the regional municipalities. Learning technologies will facilitate building of routines for transfer of know-how and sharing of knowledge. Pilot courses run on the basis of the created network will improve and balance the IT-capacity and competence level in all partner organizations. The project experience will be disseminated to authorities in less developed regions and future plans for expanding the training network will be developed.			
Expected benefits			
ICT will enable management of a shared pool of knowledge and integrating competences across the local authorities in the Baltic Sea region. Initial trans-national co-operation in training will be the first step in ensuring the interoperability of administrations and will represent an investment in future spatial development projects. The direct outputs of the project would consist of an array of trans-national training modules, strategy for integrated human resource development, the innovative learning system, numerous evaluation studies, methodology papers for integrating ICT in trans-national training activities and a number of dissemination seminars in the periphery areas.			
Partners found already	Vilnius Municipality, Tallinn City Council, Riga Region Development Agency		
Partners searched	administrations of major cities in the Baltic Sea Region		
Estimated budget	800 000 EUR (estimate)		
Date of filling-in the form	02/2004		

Project Title	On-line library as a means of communication and educational services development in Arkhangelsk Region		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	ICT, Polycentric settlement structure, Cultural and natural heritage		
Project description			
<p>In Arkhangelsk Region, there is a problem of receiving higher professional education for the youth, for the citizens who are eager to raise their educational level, for the unemployed who live in areas remote from central cities. In connection with the low income levels in rural areas, they have no opportunity to leave their families and work, and to live and study in the cities.</p> <p>Distant education will allow to overcome the problem of higher education availability for all citizens independently from their dwelling place and material situation.</p> <p>Creation of the higher school on-line library oriented at distant education development will give an opportunity to continue their education not only to the people living in Arkhangelsk Region, but also to the CIS citizens and Russian-speaking people living in Europe and in other parts of the world.</p> <p>A large group of volunteers from the higher school senior students will take part in the process of the project realization.</p> <p>SevmashVTUZ will undertake up to 20% of the project financing and provide necessary premises, equipment, telephone connection services, access to Internet, and automobile transport.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - creating a higher school on-line library of instructional, scientific, technical, society, and political information with a universal search system and an access to Internet; - developing distant education in Arkhangelsk Region; - setting links with European higher schools on experience exchange in using informational technologies in field of education, culture, science, social activity, creating on-line instruction aids. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - creating a higher-school on-line library of instructional, scientific, technical, sociological, and political information with a universal search system and an Internet access; - creating an educational portal of SevmashVTUZ HTS; - holding a seminar, an on-line library presentation; - holding an open contest for creating on-line manuals, instructional and teaching aids, reference books, and readers. 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - other higher educational institutions; - centers for scientific and technical information; - distant education centers. 		
Estimated budget	60000€		
Date of filling-in the form	03/2004		

Project Title	Inland Waterway Network in the South Baltic Sea Region and its Diverse Functions'		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport,Macroregional strategies,		
Project description			
<p>The South Baltic Sea Region is an area of a dense waterway network. This geographical system in its nature enables to manage extensive waterway transport and sailing when traveling along is accessible for any number of local communities.</p> <p>It is needed to create conceptions of sustainable, alternative communication systems used both for transportation and qualified tourism.</p> <p>Together with a group of partners from north Poland we worked out four packages:</p> <p>1 Integrated approach to programming of development strategies of the areas along the waterway in order to make use and develop its potential and to enhance the attractiveness of the communes and places situated along the waterway Berlin – Kaliningrad – Klajpeda.</p> <p>2 Network co-operation and exchange of experience among the partners of the project (public administration, regional and local government, regional development agencies, NGO's, etc.)</p> <p>3 Economic strengthening of the municipalities associating their development with the neighborhood of the waterway</p> <p>4 The network of ports and marinas for the individual water tourism as well as for tourist passenger navigation with a regard to important tourist communication junctions.</p>			
Central objectives			
Central objectives have been defined as:- versatile reinforcement of inland waterway routes and economic revival in areas adjacent to inland waterways,- determination of key waterways,- investment requirements inventory, identification of the existing 'bottlenecks' while considering the historical-value objects,- creating an international co-partners network.			
Expected benefits			
1. Identification of inland waterway connections capable to develop a freight transport (preconditions, recommendations).2. Identification of the historical objects of hydrotechnics.3. Best practices dissemination.4. Setting up the regional information & marketing network of inland waterway routes, ports and marines, services and hotel base.5. Preparing prefeasibility studies and environmental impact assessment for selected investments.6. Economic reinforcement in areas adjacent to inland waterways included in the project.			
Partners found already	The Town Hall of Werder- Havel, GermanyKaliningrad DistrictElblag City, Gdansk City, Bydgoszcz City, Malbork Town, Tczew Town, Chelmno Town, Gniezno Town, Union of Vistula River adjacent cities, Poland		
Partners searched	local and regional authorities, organizations connected with waterway transport & tourism		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	04/2004		

Project Title	Treatment Of City Rain Waters With Min Impact On Environment And Max Possible Benefit For Industry		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Business environment, Polycentric settlement structure, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)		
Project description			
<p>According the data from Ministry of Environment, Lithuania, pollution from rain waters in Lithuania makes 60 % of all pollution sources. Biggest problems arise in industry districts and the main solution until now is to give fines for the industry companies.</p> <p>The comprehensive system of Ukmerge City rain waters would be created by university scientists and documented, the concept of rain waters reuse in industry prepared, rain waters cleaning technologies presented, examples of best practise examined in Baltic Sea Region, the pilot-treatment plant would be built in the industry district, following the concept for rain waters reuse in industry.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>1. To raise public administration units' awareness of EU Directives and National strategies, concerning treatment of rain waters and usage of renewable resources in Baltics;</p> <p>2. To solve problems of rain waters cleaning industry districts in Baltic Sea Region.</p>			
Expected benefits			
Effective way of cleaning rain waters and ensuring the protection of environment, beneficial business environment, co-operative network of institutions in environment sector, sustainable development of water treatment sector (for example, attraction of specialists to small region as Ukmerge), attraction of investment.			
Partners found already	Kaunas Technology University, Lithuania Vilnius Gediminas Technology University, Lithuania, Kaunas Agriculture University, Lithuania Ministry Of Environment, Lithuania Markis Industry Development Center, Denmark		
Partners searched	Municipalities in Latvia and Estonia that meet the problem of rain waters cleaning in industry districts; Municipalities in Sweden, Denmark, Finland that have developed rain water cleaning sector		
Estimated budget	not ready		
Date of filling-in the form	04/2004		

Project Title	Railway station development in the Baltic Sea Region		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy),		
Project description			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · This project seeks to develop the different components of railway station infrastructure in the project regions to the benefit of the inhabitants and visitors of the region · Project area: selected, similar structured regions in approximately three Baltic Sea neighboring states · We suggest taking a look at our neighbors: Which difficulties related to railway station development do we find in other neighboring states of the Baltic Sea? How can we transfer the strategies and experiences made in other areas? · This project idea may be imbedded into a comprehensive strategy for the economic and touristic development of different Baltic Sea Regions 			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · We suggest implementing various pilot projects concerning different fields of a railway station: - Rehabilitation of neglected and abandoned station buildings in order to make them a highlight of the city and the region - Establishment of a mobility and tourist center in the station, offering services for locals and visitors, marketing of regional products - Coordination of the timetables of the local and regional public transport with the train arrivals and departures - Rehabilitation of the platforms and the surrounding of the stations adapted to the needs of visitors · Development of strategies how the numerous institutions involved in the station development (station management, railway undertakings, property owners, municipalities) can cooperate with each other · Development of new financing concepts for the station development · Evaluation of the pilot projects · Examination of how the results of the projects can be transferred to other regions 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · the modal split of passenger transport in the project regions will be influenced in favour of the public transport, this will help to develop a sustainable tourism · the project regions will become more attractive to its visitors by offering services at railway stations to those arriving or departing by train · elaboration of a best practice catalogue of successful station developments in the Baltic Sea neighboring countries · exchange between the municipalities and railway infrastructure managers of the regions involved on the options of a sustainable development of the station infrastructure · elaboration of a feasibility study to find out how the pilot projects can be implemented in other project regions 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	Public partners especially from Germany, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Denmark and Sweden are invited to participate in the project.		
Estimated budget	depends on the program the partners would decide on		
Date of filling-in the form	06/2004		

Project Title	Baltic Metropolises Innovation Strategy		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure,Business environment,Urban-urban/rural relationships		
Project description			
<p>Baltic Metropolises Network was founded in Copenhagen 2002. The Network shares a common vision of the Baltic Sea Region as a knowledge-based economic area. The role of metropolitan areas as hubs of global flows of goods, capital and technology and knowledge as well as their role in respect of urban policies and regional development create the common basis for this project. The global competition of high qualified resources and international investments is a common challenge for the whole Baltic Sea Region. In order to enhance sustainable regional development the role of metropolitan areas as engines for innovation creation and economic development is also analyzed from the point of view of urban policies and regional development. Cities' own policy measures in the field of innovation policies will be collaborated with regional and national innovation policies as well as urban policies. Especially the impacts of innovation policies of metropolises will be analyzed in terms of spatial planning.</p> <p>The project consists of five complementary work packages. The different work packages will match to the specific project objectives.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The strategic objectives for the joint project of the Baltic Metropolises Network are: to strengthen the major urban centres as engines for economic development through strategic co-operation in the innovation policy at the regional and the trans-national level, to better understand the relationships between the innovation and urban policies in different Baltic Sea countries in terms of sustainable regional development and spatial planning, to make powerful Baltic metropolitan regions together stronger at the international scale and to enhance potentials in the fields of research and development, business creation and innovation.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>The expected benefits of the project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promotion of business development and research and development activities in the Baltic sea Region, - effective regional innovation strategies of each partner metropolitan area in harmony with the common Baltic Sea Region, - better integration of innovation and urban policies at local, regional and national levels, - joint innovation policy framework will give competitive advantages to the whole Baltic Sea Area, - sustainable inter-regional networks and co-operation. 			
Partners found already	The following 11 Baltic metropolitan cities are now involved in the project: Berlin, Copenhagen, Helsinki, Malmö, Oslo, Riga, St.Petersburg, Stockholm, Tallinn, Warsaw and Vilnius.		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	4 240 000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Via Baltica Nordica Connections		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport, Polycentric settlement structure, Macroregional strategies		
Project description			
<p>The project works on two levels</p> <p>1. 'Macro cosmos' = the whole Zone</p> <p>Better transport and communication - bottlenecks of the Via Baltica Nordica</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Comprehensive study of the transport and communication system of the VBN Zone - Recognizing the bottlenecks of the transport system at the 'macro' level - Preparing and investment plan for overtaking the bottlenecks <p>2. 'Micro cosmos' = regional and local levels</p> <p>New planning methods and piloting them</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Selecting representative examples at regional and local level - Solving local bottlenecks and their connection to the 'macro' level system - Developing innovative solutions for combining public and private actors and activities 			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supporting balanced development of the Via Baltica Nordica Zone - Understanding the transport and communication system of the VBN Zone - Recognizing the bottlenecks of the VBN Zone (both on macro and micro level) and preparing investments and other activities for overtaking them - Improving accessibility via concrete pilot activities - Giving a framework for actors from the different countries at the national, regional and local level as well as public and private sectors to co-operate 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better functioning transport and communication system - Land use and services supporting accessibility to and between transport modes - Support for the 'mosaic of settlement structure' also outside of the metropolitan areas - Public and private sectors working together in innovative ways - Solid and sustainable communication and partnership between the countries, levels of administration and PP 			
Partners found already	Regional Council of Häme, Council of Tampere Region, other regional and local authorities, Finland; E12 Alliance, Blue Highway Association, Sweden; Counties of Harju, Rapla and Pärnu, Estonia, City of Bauska, Latvia; Kaunas County, Lithuania; Podlaskie Voivodship, Poland; Traffic Association of Berlin-Brandenburg, Regional Planning Department of Havelland-Fläming; Rana Development Agency, Norway		
Partners searched	Partners filling the geographical 'missing links' at the Via Baltica Nordica Zone, especially in Latvia, Lithuania and Poland		
Estimated budget	3.000.000-3.500.000 euro		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Baltic cities		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure,Urban-urban/rural relationships,		
Project description			
<p>The subject of the project: creating of the documents and plans for small and medium cities from the Baltic Sea Area in the field of urban renewal based on voluminous exchange of information and ideas. The exchange of know-how should refer to concrete combined treatments and concepts of urban development coming from participants' countries and create of new standards in this field. The process of planning will be opened and should be carried out with participation of local actors from the participating cities and will be accompanied by experts of various disciplines.</p> <p>There is planned a lot of meetings and workshops that allow to work out the best way of using of the development tools in small and medium cities from different European countries.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Working out concepts of urban development and planning processes 2. Exchange of the information on the urban development and city renewal. 3. Impacting on and taking part in preparing EU und national support programs and legislation processes for urban development. 			
Expected benefits			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Avoiding opposite to each other tendencies in the Baltic Sea Region by creating common tools and strategies for urban development. 2. Exchange of information about legal and practical problems connected with gaining support for urban development ideas from EU and national programs. 3. Using the exchange of information and the best examples of city renewal in order to improve planning process and national law in the urban development area. 4. New platform of contacts for future projects between project partners. 			
Partners found already	small and medium cities from: Poland, Estonia, Belarus, Germany		
Partners searched	small and medium cities from the Baltic Sea Region		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Innovative Urban Spatial Planning - Increasing the Competitiveness of the BSR		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Urban-urban/rural relationships,Business environment,Polycentric settlement structure		
Project description			
<p>The project will address a number of challenges that exist in the project partner countries (Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Poland and Germany) in the field of urban planning and real estate and business development. At the moment when working on attracting businesses and investments the cities are acting on their own and there is a lack of coordinated actions within the region that would contribute to the overall development of the BSR and strengthen its position in the European and global level. This is partially caused by the fact that project partners' countries have different urban planning systems and legal environment, but there is also a lack of in-depth knowledge of potential investors, their interests and behaviour. Cooperation with potential investors is also hindered by the fact that cities often lack a reliable, easy-accessible, illustrative source of information, which the investors could use when making decisions about potential investments in real estate or business development.</p> <p>Thus the project will try to solve those issues by analysing the current challenges in the urban planning and development in the partner cities with the view of investment attraction and preparing suggestions for innovative solutions in this field. In addition to that, a trans-national study on potential investors/real estate developers, their interests and behaviour will be carried out to find out what are the main target groups of the network. Based on the results of the analysis and study the pilot projects on introduction of GIS solutions for urban planning and development in the partner cities will be prepared and implemented. Finally the marketing strategy for promoting the network established during the project will be prepared and first promotional activities carried out.</p>			
Central objectives			
The aim of the project is to increase competitiveness of the BSR cities as growth poles. To achieve this aim the project will have the following goals - to create a permanent and self-sustainable network of cities that will cooperate in attracting investors/real estate developers to the region, to develop a common, technologically advanced information base (created with the help of GIS solutions) to be used by all project partners and to promote the network as an investor-friendly and technologically advanced region.			
Expected benefits			
Permanent and self-sustainable network of cities-project partners. Increased interest of investors about the region followed by development of new businesses in the region. Higher quality of services provided by the local municipalities involved in the project.			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Retail Development - The Competence Network in the Baltic Sea Region		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure,Urban-urban/rural relationships,Business environment		
Project description			
Retail development is undergoing a tremendous change all over the EU. Retail is considered one of the most relevant urban tertiary sectors in terms of employment with impact on local occupation, Internationalisation has massive impacts on balanced polycentric settlement structures in the BSR. Retail supply near to consumers is necessary, but at risk. The location preferences of retail enterprises and the counterbalance with regulation are centre of interest of the network. Retail sector logics influence the balance of economic structures at local - city - regional level.			
Central objectives			
Set-up of a monitoring centre on balanced retail structures; exchange of experiences and set-up of a competence network, know-how transfer & surveys on spatial and retail devt.; analysis of good practices for balanced polycentric settlement structures and innovative public-private cooperation models; to help to develop consciousness and to prevent and/or minimise negative developments; contribution to VASAB 2010 PLUS; contribution to cohesion and competitiveness matters; comparison of different approaches and tools.			
Expected benefits			
a BSR wide cross-sectoral platform of networking activities between public authorities, chambers of commerce, retail trade lobbying org., trade unions, private retailers, retail estate devt. and others; a profound, brought insight about the different regulatory regimes; public-private business exchange.			
Partners found already	LP: City of Osterholz, Lower Saxony, Germany; a couple of interested organisations in Germany, DK: Town Planning Institute, Copenhagen - seed money application delivered		
Partners searched	all BSR countries, city and regional governments, Chambers of Commerce		
Estimated budget	3.000.000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	10/2004		

Project Title	HERMES Network of sustainable regional airports and cities		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport,,		
Project description			
The project aims at establishing a network of sustainable regional airports and their cities. Airports and cities will cooperate in order to develop new flight axes overcoming obstacles by insufficient road systems, to undertake feasibility studies for newly developing or converting former military airports in preparation of investments and to develop business around the airports in question			
Central objectives			
A) To create a network of developing sustainable of small air hubs in the BSR area B) To build new air ports or convert former military airports in order to developing efficient and sustainable transport systems - to harmonize planning procedures - to plan new airports as part of efficient transport systems - to initiate investments in new or reconstructing airports - to network between air ports to strengthen their position - to contribute to the sustainable development of the BSR area			
Expected benefits			
- new regional airports created and planned - new flight corridors created and planned - new transport axes created - transport systems improved - new businesses created - contributed to city/regional development - contributed to sustainable development in the BSR			
Partners found already	City of Lublin, Poland, City of Swidnik, Poland, Airport of Lublin, Baltic Energy Forum, Germany		
Partners searched	Partners from existing regional airports and their cities as well as cities with developing airports or airports converting from former military airports		
Estimated budget	1.800.000		
Date of filling-in the form	12/2004		

Project Title	SCIPORT-BSR		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport,ICT,Natural resources		
Project description			
<p>Four operational goals of the SCIPORT BSR project are to be identified:</p> <p>(1) Generation of a database comprising data about all relevant organisations and actors in the intersection of transport, risk and environment in the Baltic Sea Region,</p> <p>(2) Adaptation of the DEMOS methodology and internet platform to the Baltic Sea Region and conduction of an online-discussion about a concrete issue in the field of transport, risk and environment involving all stakeholders.</p> <p>(3) Creation of a viable network</p> <p>(4) Development of an exploitation and dissemination strategy to ensure the long term viability of SCIPORT BSR and the transferability of the concept to other regions or themes.</p> <p>These goals can be measured against the workplan and the deliverable list.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Establishment of an participative network consisting of major organisations and actors from science, politics, civil society and industry concerned with the themes transport, risk and environment in the Baltic Sea Region.</p> <p>SCIPORT BSR aims to stimulate long-lasting structural links between national or regional organisations and actors and to facilitate public participation in the policy development.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Ideally, this structured discussion process leads to political consensus. In practice, participants may continue to disagree, but the reasons for the disagreement will have been made clear and comprehensible. The participation methodology is also concerned with questions of motivation and how to relate the discourse to political processes, e.g. identification of suitable subjects, adaptable rule systems to encourage active participation, addressing problems of result implementation. DEMOS is a discussion forum aiming at developing concrete results.</p>			
Partners found already	UNEP/GRID-Warsaw Ramboll Management Baltic Sea Forum e.V.		
Partners searched	Public authorities responsible for the planning of transport infrastructure in Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Danmark, Sweden or companies and other institution who can provide a good access to these authorities		
Estimated budget	1 -1,5 Mio Euros		
Date of filling-in the form	12/2004		

Project Title	WET - Water Environmental Towns as Engines for Regional Development		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure,,		
Project description			
<p>The WET project focuses on the waterways that are important resource of the BSR medium and small sized cities. The innovations, aim at the sustainable exploiting, stay easily at local or regional level. A holistic approach dealing with co-operation and networking in BSR is needed. The transnational aspect consists of the methodology, sharing of knowledge, helping each other solving local problems. The WP's of the project are:</p> <p>WP 1 - WET Planning Innovations WP 2 - Network of Green Areas on the Waterfronts WP 3 - Waterfronts Marketing WP 4 - WET Dissemination</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -to strengthen the skills of small and medium sized cities to handle water related spatial planning and development cases -to create transnational networks to discuss, create and disseminate methodology in water related spatial planning -to prepare, achieve and promote concrete improvements of the urban environment -to create and disseminate marketing strategies bridging the planning phase with market-oriented activities. -to evaluate the applicability of the methodology and to evaluate the value of the transnationality co-operation concerning the methodology 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -improved awareness of the role of water environment when promoting balanced polycentric settlement structures as part of sustainable BSR development. -improved skills of small and medium sized cities to handle water related spatial planning and development cases -transnational networks to discuss, create and disseminate methodology in water related spatial planning - implemented small scaled improvements of the urban environment -awareness of the marketing strategies bridging the planning phase with market-oriented activities. -evaluation-based conclusions of the applicability of the methodology and the value of the transnationality co-operation concerning the methodology 			
Partners found already	5 cities from 3 countries + regional partners (total 23)		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	2,1 Meur		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2005		

Project Title	Inland waterway network in the Baltic Sea region and its diverse functions		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas,		
Project description			
Encouraging spatial development concepts within the inland navigation; Creating conditions for network of ports and marines for inland navigation and processes by which the crucial missing links within BSR are built; Promoting co-operation on integrated planning and management of the sustainable development of the terrain along the inland waters; Encouraging pilot actions for projects creating bases for infrastructure; Integrating the infrastructure promoting the trade and tourism development; Establishing networks for co-operation between the communities, water management and scientific institutions and networks for experience exchange across the Baltic Sea.			
Central objectives			
1. Creating the strategy of the development of terrain along waterways and different forms of co-operation and experience exchange at international level 2. Waterways with network of ports and marines for water tourism, tourist navigation and multimodal transport with preparation for investments 3. Promotion of waterways and forms of co-operation for activating inland waterways in the region			
Expected benefits			
Identification of inland waterways connections capable to develop a tourist navigation and freight transport. Best practices dissemination. Promotion of tourist inland navigation. Setting up the regional information and marketing network of inland waterway routes, ports and marines, services and hotels. Creating the preconditions for grounding commercial activity. Preparing prefeasibility studies and environmental impact assessments for selected investments. Development of environmental impact assessment standards including numerical modelling. Common strategy of the development of terrain along inland waters included in the project			
Partners found already	Polish communities; water management institutions; Polish, Lithuanian and Latvian universities, Russian Academy of Sciences.		
Partners searched	communities, cities and water management institutions from Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Russia, Germany		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	01/2005		

Project Title	BALTIC RURAL BROADBAND PROJECT		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	ICT, Polycentric settlement structure, Business environment		
Project description			
<p>Insufficient access to high speed internet and lack of bandwidth with reasonable prices are hindering the adaptation of rural regions to the information society and economy. The political goal of a polycentric and balanced development in all regions of the EU is contravened by the actual policy of telecommunication suppliers in favour of the rural areas. Cheap broadband access could be an important tool for the further development of rural spaces.</p> <p>The project will be structured in three main work packages:</p> <p>Work package Physical Backbone Solutions: This work package deals with all activities related to the technical solutions to provide cheap and fast internet solutions to rural areas.</p> <p>Work package Services & Applications It is intended that the project shall not only deal with the physical backbone for broadband access in rural areas. The joint work on pilot activities related to the use of the new technical options will therefore be the core of this work package.</p> <p>Work package Local E-Community This work package is dedicated to all aspects of a broader use of the internet in the local civil society of the participating regions. Main interest will be the development of private Internet use.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Development of cheap and reliable technical solutions to create a consumer friendly and effective fast internet access.</p> <p>Development of implementation strategies for such solutions.</p> <p>Identification and implementation of new services and products related to local development based on enhanced broadband access in rural areas.</p>			
Expected benefits			
Solutions for cheap and reliable fast internet access in rural areas			
Partners found already	Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finnland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Germany		
Partners searched	no further partners needed		
Estimated budget	5 Mio. EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2005		

Project Title	Soil protection in the frame of the management of NATURA 2000 sites at the Baltic coastline (SOILNAT)		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Project description			
<p>SOILNAT was approved seed money by the INTERREG III B secretariat.</p> <p>The main idea of SOILNAT is to harmonize soil protection with the goals of habitat protection in the field of integrated planning and spatial development of the BSR coastal zones. It is widely recognized by the EU-member states that soil protection is important within the concept of sustainable development (European Thematic Strategy for Soil Protection 2004). However guidelines for the consideration of soils into the management plans of NATURA 2000 sites are missing. SOILNAT is a pan-Baltic approach to a joint management on the implementation of soil strategies in land use and nature conservation policies. The activities of the project will be carried out at three N-2000 sites which represent the biotope types and environmental threats (erosion, pollution, eutrophication) of the southern Baltic region.</p> <p>For more details on the project please contact us</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objectives of the project are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -to harmonize measures of soil assessment, evaluation and protection of different BSR-countries, within the frame of different directories (N-2000, WFD) and environmental planning instruments (e.g. EIA and SEA) -to develop a large-scale soil mapping method addressing the demands of coastal soils which is transferable to the complete Baltic sea coastline -to implement soil protection into N-2000 management plans of coastal areas 			
Expected benefits			
<p>By setting focus on these topics the main outcomes are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -a prototype of a management plan for one of the studied sites with special consideration of soil protection -a combined approach of terrestrial and remote-sensed methods for transnational statement of the common soil protection strategy at coastal N-2000 sites -integrated concepts for tourism, social recreation, forestry and agriculture which promote sustainable habitat and soil protection -a dialogue board of BSR countries concerning soil protection 			
Partners found already	Germany, Poland, Sweden, Lithuania, Russia, Latvia, Denmark		
Partners searched	Mainly public or semi-public partners from Polen, Lithuania, Russia, Latvia and Estonia. Also partners from Denmark, Sweden and Finland are welcome. Please take contact!		
Estimated budget	1,5 MEuro		
Date of filling-in the form	02/2005		

Project Title	Preservation and Re-use of the Lighthouses in the Baltic Sea Region		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Cultural and natural heritage, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas		
Project description			
<p>The most valuable historic and cultural environments of the BSR should be maintained and preserved. The special attention should be given to cultural heritage, that has an important role in social and regional development. The aim of the BS Heritage Co-operation started in 1997 is to promote actions for safeguarding the cultural heritage in the BSR as a profound basis of a sustainable region, where mutual understanding and awareness of common history exist. The lighthouses have marked the sea routes along our coasts for centuries and thus have been integral parts of the BSR history for hundreds of years. They are integral parts of the cultural heritage and landscape of the BSR.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>1. The central objective is to preserve the Baltic Sea lighthouses, that have the central role in the BSR history. 2. Create new job opportunities and support the regional development in sparsely populated coastal areas and islands by taken the abandoned buildings into new use, marketing them as tourist sights and deepening the cooperation with museums, travel agencies, universities, different foundations etc. 3. Strengthen the cooperation, networking and benchmarking of the BSR lighthouses, museums, universities and other relevant stakeholders in the field of the lighthouses repair and re-use methods and best practices. 4. Promote and disseminate the knowledge, knowhow and the best practices of the lighthouse restoration in the BSR and in Europe.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>1. Preserved, maintained, saved and restored lighthouses in the BSR. 2. Enhanced understanding in the BSR of the lighthouses' meaning as the integral part of the common cultural heritage of the BSR. 3. New job opportunities and entrepreneurship ideas in the remote coastal areas and islands. 4. Strengthened and established cooperation, benchmarking and marketing network between the BSR lighthouses, museums, travel agencies, universities and other relevant stakeholders. 5. The pilot restoration projects in the chosen lighthouses. 6. The international meetings and seminars concerning the preservation, re-use, restoration and cultural historic role of the lighthouses. 7. The promoted knowledge and know-how of the best lighthouse restoration methods in the BSR. 8. Grown tourism in the areas, where tourism is essential for the economic and regional development and future existence of the local communities.</p>			
Partners found already	Maritime Cultural Society of Saaremaa, The Swedish Lighthouse Society, Wilson Marin commandite company, University of Latvia, Pultusk School of Humanities		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	1 750 000,00 €		
Date of filling-in the form	03/2005		

Project Title	Sustainable management of angling tourism in Natura 2000 and other sensitive areas (S-MAN 2000)		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Natural resources,Cultural and natural heritage,Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas		
Project description			
<p>Nature conservation and regional development in the BSR face similar problems. The key question is: How will a sustainable management of the most sensitive areas look like, and how can the various conflicts between utilization and protection of these areas be solved? An additional challenge has recently emerged by the Natura 2000 (N2000) network and the Water Framework Directive (WFD), especially the limnic water systems.</p> <p>The project is aimed at exploiting the tourist potential of the N2000 areas in a sustainable way, mitigating conflicts between nature conservation and tourism economy. The project will support the sustainable management and utilization of angling waters under consideration of the economic features in N2000 areas. Current problems with the enlargement of the N2000 network in the new EU-countries can be avoided, and a common policy regarding angling in N2000 areas can be developed.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Developing sustainable management strategies of angling tourism (limnic water systems) in N2000 and other sensitive areas in the BSR to create compatible tourist offers and business development concepts in the countryside and integrate this in spatial planning and regional development processes in the BSR. > Protection of nature conservation and wildlife and bird protection areas (N2000) by focussing on the biological prerequisites and ecological sustainability. > Increase the numbers of eco-tourists and develop the sustainable tourist business in rural areas without harming the resources and values of the environment. Compilation of the knowledge about angling as a spreader of aquatic alien species. > Offer organisations involved with angling and water management the opportunity to market their areas. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Digital map work and appropriating databases based on a geographical information system with extensive data for water based eco-tourist utilisation. > Dynamic cross-country Internet portal with handbook and maps in several languages. > Survey of supply and utilisation of the water catchment areas as well as a diversion of a nature compatible visitor leading system. > A clear and convince overview of possibilities for angling, overnight stays and acquiring locally produced foodstuffs. > Stimulate local small-scale business and associations. 			
Partners found already	Germany, Sweden, Estonia, Finland, Latvia		
Partners searched	Belarus, Denmark, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland The project will invite organisations and authorities interested in development of N2000 areas and sustainable tourism, especially in fish protection areas, water management and spatial planning in the BSR.		
Estimated budget	1.500.000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	03/2005		

Project Title	Small Towns Revitalisation Scheme		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Urban-urban/rural relationships,Cultural and natural heritage,Specific sectors: (tourism & energy)		
Project description			
<p>Background:</p> <p>Sopot is a Polish health resort of 40,000 inhabitants, a major tourist destination on the south coast of Baltic Sea. Dating back to the 19th century the town is recognised for its unique Baroque architecture – splendid tenement houses, villas and pieces of typical spa infrastructure. Unfortunately, the buildings are very often seriously dilapidated and need an overall renovation.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Aims:</p> <p>The project aims to create a co-operation network of small towns (preferably spas or historical sites) which would contrive and later realize a scheme of an overall revitalisation of historical urban substance. The actions planned would involve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - experience exchange and joint work over a common conception of revitalization (including public and private partnership, sources of external funding, social attitudes, etc.) - preparing specific projects for towns involved with a view on EU funding opportunities (joint application to programmes such as Interreg) - parallel investment projects carried out with mutual support and evaluated so as to create best practice models - joint promotion of renewed towns – building a tourism product of “Small architectural jewels of Europe” 			
Expected benefits			
<p>Results:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - detailed analysis of small towns revitalization needs and problems - best practice models for the future - financial support necessary to realize the investments - improvement of living conditions of local communities - protection of architectural heritage of Europe - tourism development 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	<p>Partners sought:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - small towns with dilapidated historical architecture (housing, public amenities, monuments, churches, etc.), preferably spa resorts - partners experienced with small urban revitalisation 		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	03/2005		

Project Title	Connecting Öresund-Szczecin-Berlin		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Business environment,,		
Project description			
<p>SME development and innovation systems Ideas presented this far includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establishment of branch-oriented service and coaching centres for SME:s. The aims of these centres should be to coach SME:s in development of joint products and marketing. The activities of the centres should range from offering information and partner search to coaching in product development. It also contains elements of transfer of know-how between SME:s and research institutions/universities. 2. SME development and development of real business contacts (could be a widening of the ongoing activities within the Skåne/Western Pomerania Committee to promote contacts between SME:s in Northeast Skåne and Western Pomerania). This means creating arenas for building concrete and direct connections between companies. 3. Deepen the co-operation concerning SME:s and sustainable business development – mainly to promote development of companies dealing with environmental friendly products/ production. 4. Co-operation between research institutions and universities as well as between technology-/science parks and enterprises (technology transfer). 			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of sustainable and competitive SME:s. • More start-ups of SME:s. • Promotion of female entrepreneurship. • Promote business between the BALTIC+ regions. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More competitive SME:s. • More jobs in rural areas. • More efficient transfer of knowledge and technology between academia/research institutions and SME:s. • Less out-migration from rural areas. 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	BALTASAR - Baltic Telematics Arena for Spatial opportunities		
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Thematic keywords	Transport,ICT,Business environment		
Project description			
<p>Electronic road charges can become a driving force for development within the transport sector, and a tool to support the transport policies. The main driving forces for implementation of EFC can be summarised as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enable charging that reflects socio-economic marginal costs • Fight congestion • Additional finance of infrastructure <p>A kilometre based road charging system will most likely require the following functionality:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • position of vehicle • identity of vehicle and possibly its characteristics • communication <p>This functionality can be seen as the basis for a great variety of other telematic applications. A distance based road charging system for heavy goods vehicles will be widespread across the transport sector in a few years, and provide the possibilities to enhance the use of telematics in a sector today characterised by low use of such technologies and services.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>We believe that the new possibilities of introducing electronic road charging opens up for a number of spatial opportunities related to the overall transport flows. We also believe a widespread usage of EFC is a key factor for improved access to ICT which, with an intelligent and co-ordinated exploitation of different application both can support transport safety and enable interesting regional development chances. Baltasar will highlight how this can contribute to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intelligent and sustainable transport movements in the Baltic Sea Region • Ensuring free HGV-movements in the Baltic Sea Region • New methods of funding for improved infrastructure • Innovation and knowledge development 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased knowledge of the spatial consequences and possibilities related to increased implementation of EFC and telematic platforms • Sustainable transport solutions including improved traffic and transport management • Improved access to and usage of telematic services • A common strategy for implementation of EFC for avoiding sub-optimised solutions 			
Partners found already	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swedish Road Administration, • BTH • industry partners 		
Partners searched	National stakeholders in the BSR region		
Estimated budget	3 million Euro		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Promote diversity and competence		
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Thematic keywords	Urban-urban/rural relationships,Business environment,Polycentric settlement structure		
Project description			
<p>The future efforts to supply diversity and competence in the BALTIC+ area may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Increased contacts and cooperation between schools, universities and research centres. · Scholarships, trainee programmes and student exchange. · The development of spatial partnerships between contrast areas. · The development of innovation and competence centres. · Exchange of best practice and trade within the city networks. · Production models and marketing methods in rural areas including forestry and agriculture. · Utilising knowledge and contacts within the BALTIC+ area including experiences from "Regions Active", especially the model regions of "Barnim-Uckermark" and "Odermündung", as well as regional development efforts in Skåne and Polish parts. <p>The project ideas this far includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Business development within SME:s, Innovation- and Competence Centres, Business Forum. 2. Permanent forum for exchange of experience within architecture and urban development. 3. Website, a "sustainable framework", promoting diversity and competence by links to SME:s, tourism, labour, individual municipalities. 4. Education. 			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Enhance cooperation between local authorities and other stakeholders on local and regional level. · Exchange of knowledge and experience between local actors. · Marketing of local milieus for business, tourism and living. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · More competitive SME:s. · Less out-migration from rural areas. · More jobs in rural areas. · Better understanding of differences in local conditions between municipalities, regions and private sector actors. 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Visitors' BALTIC+		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Urban-urban/rural relationships, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas		
Project description			
<p>The aim is to establish a well functioning and sustainable "visitors arena" including infrastructure and services for the guest's accommodation, travel and information provision as well as offers of what to see and to do in the area. A first step should be to discuss the results and lessons learned within all thematic work packages and to explore on how to further develop the BALTIC+ area in welcoming visitors by combining experiences from the activities dealing with: &#9642;Agrarian tourism. &#9642; Transnational water tourism, maritime development. &#9642; Cross-border cycle tourism and other specific routes. &#9642; Management of natural areas, cultural landscape and built environment with architectural and historic values.</p> <p>Visitors' BALTIC+ is an umbrella for several, similar project ideas which presently are developed in BALTIC+. The main purpose is to take the concepts into the next phase, the implementation phase. Some of the even more concrete examples could be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Foundation of an "institute for maritime development", with the aim to establish a trans-national institution combining "Maritime Development" and "Water Tourism". The aim of the institute would be to organise and promote co-operation between public institutions, tourism organisations, fair organisers and entrepreneurs/companies within the maritime and tourism sectors. 2. Further development of the bicycle tourism concepts, including investigations of missing links in the bicycle track net and how they could be closed (planning and investments) including investments in sign-posting the tracks. This should encompass at least the thematic routes identified this far, like tobacco tour, castle tour, fairytales tour, nature tour, mills tour, church tour, light-house tour. 			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Get the concepts and products that have been developed into the market. · Promote private sector actors' interest to invest in and further develop concrete market offers. · Create more jobs in rural areas. · Promote female entrepreneurship. · Market BALTIC+ as a tourism and event area as well as an attractive area for living. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · More jobs in rural areas. · Prolonged tourism seasons. · Less out-migration from rural areas. 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	DaGoB Dangerous Goods Supply Chains in the Baltic Sea Region		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport,Business environment,Institution building		
Project description			
The key areas of interest in DaGoB are to model dangerous goods supply chains, enhance co-operation between authorities involved in dangerous goods transport and produce a roadmap for the way forward.			
Central objectives			
Central objective of DaGoB is to enhance the efficiency and safety of dangerous goods supply chains by connecting public and private sector actors from the Baltic Sea Region.			
Expected benefits			
<p>Expected benefits of DaGoB are:</p> <p>Diffusion of best practices across authorities and industries in line with EU transport policy, Intermodality, Safety and security and Competitiveness of Supply Chains.</p> <p>Strengthened competence of dangerous goods professionals in the Baltic Sea Region</p> <p>Improved efficiency and safety of supply chains involving dangerous goods in line with work safety and public health considerations.</p>			
Partners found already	Key authorities and research entities of dangerous goods transport in Finland and Sweden, Ministries of Transport in the Baltic States.		
Partners searched	Public sector bodies (for example authorities, ports, inspectorates) dealing with transport and dangerous goods willing to commit themselves to the project.		
Estimated budget	2+ million euros		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	LogOn Baltic - Logistics Efficiency through IT Interfaces in the Baltic Sea Region		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	ICT,Business environment,Transport		
Project description			
Logon Baltic aims at spatial integration by transferring knowledge in logistics information systems. The main objective is to produce and disseminate information for regional development authorities on how to find practical measures to support enterprises and authorities in creating electronic linkages that facilitate daily business and logistics operations.			
Central objectives			
<p>Logon Baltic will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide a general overview of supply chain efficiency in selected regions of the partner countries. • survey logistics information systems and their exploitation, especially among SME's. • propose actions to improve logistics related information and communication technology applications and to deepen regional networking. • disseminate highly useful results for regional development agencies that aim at improving operational preconditions of Baltic Sea Region enterprises. • outline and suggest concrete outreach projects especially toward SME's. 			
Expected benefits			
<p>Rigorous comparative analysis of a timely topic Highly useful results for public and private sectors Networks of professionals in the Region Help for local businesses to target their IT resources in key business processes Raised IT and logistics awareness of local firms</p>			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	Regional Councils, cities, regional development agencies		
Estimated budget	2+ million euros		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Interregional Communication and Information Network – i-COIN		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	ICT, Polycentric settlement structure, Urban-urban/rural relationships		
Project description			
<p>The BSR has a general flow of movement from rural to urban areas. To keep the rural areas functional and to foster active rural societies with good connections to the nearby cities, and thereby fruitful urban-rural relationships, good communications are essential. By using ICT as a tool for local and regional development in the Baltic Sea region the adaptation of rural regions to the information/knowledge society will be promoted.</p> <p>The project will be structured around joint activities in the areas of e-inclusion, e-governance, e-learning and e-accessibility.</p> <p>The project aims to activate the citizens in the rural societies by use of local information centers equipped with modern and user-friendly ICT.</p> <p>The increased access to ICT would include local administrative services provided by the municipality as well as other eServices.</p>			
Central objectives			
The overall objective of the project is to improve access to ICT for structurally weaker areas, share experience and create new learning to strengthen the capacity and confidence of local och regional administrations to effectively engage in the adaptation to a knowledge society by developing policies on e-governance, public private partnerships and e-inclusion/cohesion.			
Expected benefits			
The results will be the transfer of knowledge, experience and best practices for monitoring, redeveloping the concept of ICT between regions, as well as better local and regional policies and practices. Design and delivery of effective participatory knowledge sharing and learning events around the core knowledge themes of e-inclusion, e-governance, e-learning and e-accessibility.			
Partners found already	North Denmark, possibly also Tamasalu in Estonia, Rehna in Germany.		
Partners searched	local and regional government in the Baltic Sea Region, especially in Estonia and Poland, e-service providers, universities.		
Estimated budget	1 MEUR		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Network of Industrial Parks (IPs) in New and Old EU Member States: a Strategy for Entrepreneurship, Development and Cohesion (INDPARKNET)		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure,Business environment,Urban-urban/rural relationships		
Project description			
<p>After the collapse of the Soviet Union many of the Baltic industries (which were traditionally oriented to the Soviet market) lost their market and skilled labour force and large industrial premises were left unexploited. Today, the Baltic economies are among the fastest growing ones in Europe, enjoying inflow of foreign direct investments (FDI). Respectively, the demand for industrial infrastructure has risen significantly. To meet the demand and foster regional development, several public authorities have started to develop industrial parks. Unfortunately, these projects lack cooperation on national and international level, the information on industrial infrastructures is fragmented and therefore not easily accessible for potential investors, there is no proper information exchange between different initiatives and thus no best practice implementation etc. Current project is intended to overcome these and other relevant problems in BSR region to foster spatial planning and engine economic development in BSR region.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The wider objective of the project is to strengthen the co-operation between developers and support structures of industrial parks in the Baltic States and in the Old Member States in the BSR area. By strengthened co-operation between the stakeholders the project aims at contributing to the sustainable economic and social development of the BSR area.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>The outcomes and benefits of the project are: 1) Established network between the industrial parks in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania and BSR EU countries; 2) Common strategy of operations of industrial parks in the Baltic States; 3) Common strategy of marketing for industrial parks in the Baltic States; 3) Increased awareness (know-how transfer from EU States as well between the Baltic States) of the development issues in case of industrial parks: environmental issues, socio-economic aspects, cooperation possibilities, investment strategies etc; 4) Strengthened conditions for SME development and the renewal of old industrial areas; 5) Basis for sustainable spatial planning of industrial infrastructure.</p>			
Partners found already	Expected agreements: Estonian institutions, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland, Germany, Denmark, Russia		
Partners searched	Municipalities, science and technology parks, research centres, public authorities etc.		
Estimated budget	1,3 MEUR		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	GoverNetCity		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure,Business environment,Institution building		
Project description			
<p>The urban regions promoted as European Gateways are not only the transport knots or centers of financial services, but should facilitate also the exchange and transmittion of innovative projects (solutions). Developing the amenities which enhance cultural, business or science contacts, tourism and leisure-time, creative and long-life education etc. serves this aim but also belongs to the projects which need more innovative and cooperative approach. The environmental assets adopted specifically and the multimodal transport and communication, supplement such amenities, for which existing experiences and new ideas should be learned.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>A. to strengthen the cohesion of metropolitan regions,and their role in the BSR urban competition through benchmarking and networking for innovative spatial amenity development projects,</p> <p>B. to learn the best experience in spatial development projects, which demand broader actors' base and innovative approaches,</p> <p>C. to cover the gaps in organising and intelectual capacity to develop and implement such projects, while testing their feasibility both in spatial as social and institutional terms.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>1. developed general methodology of governance and strategic networking for implementation of innovative urban projects,</p> <p>2. a tool kit for practical wise management, private-public partnership and networking procedures, benchmarking etc.</p> <p>3. answers given to specific practical issues in several case studies (at least 3 cases for each of the regional cluster, partnering in the project); international networking and promotion of them,</p>			
Partners found already	The cities of Gdansk and Gdynia, small and medium sized towns in their metropolitan region and innovative urban development agencies, and also the like from Rostock and Riga metropolitan regions		
Partners searched	similar urban innovative spatial development actors in the smaller, 'emerging' metropolitan areas in other baltic countries (eg. Aarhus, Bremen, Kalmar/Karlskrona, Klaipeda, Kaunas, Liepaja, Oulu, Tartu, Turku, Vaasa ...)		
Estimated budget	1 300 000 Euro		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	PRIFOR: Strengthening the Contribution of Small-Scale Private Forestry to sustainable regional Development in the Baltic Sea Region		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Natural resources,Cultural and natural heritage,Urban-urban/rural relationships		
Project description			
<p>THIS IS AN ALREADY APPROVED INTERREG III B BSR Seed Money Project which WILL DEVELOP PARTNERSHIP AND SCOPE FOR A FULL MAIN PROJECT. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REFERS TO THE EXPECTED SCOPE OF THE MAIN PROJECT:</p> <p>A large part of the forests - appr. 20% - in the BSR is owned and managed by small- and medium scale forest holdings, which makes the forest often hardly accessible as a component for regional development, spatial planning and sustainable maintenance and improvement of commercial and non-commercial functions.</p> <p>Under different conditions in partner regions, the project will focus on strengthening Forest Owners' Associations and the extension service as partners for regional development.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The main project will aim on a wide range of aspects under the focus of their significance for small-scale forestry, e.g.:</p> <p>1) Multiple-use of small-scale forestry, concerning non-timber production, as creation and protection of nature and cultural values, recreation, tourism</p> <p>2) Integration of afforested former farmland into Forest Owners' Association (FOA)/Extension Service (EXT) systems to ensure balanced development</p> <p>3) carbon-sink strategies through afforestation and use of bio-energy</p> <p>4) balanced sustainable use of forest as a limited resource through forest resource inventories, suitable logistic systems and a joint forest certification process</p> <p>5) Creation and strengthening of FOA and EXT systems in the Baltic BSR as a tool for achieving the above mentioned goals</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>1) Guidelines for creation and development of FOAs from a benchmarking process. 2) Recommendations and awareness creating for the integration of non-timberproductive functions into management procedures, also based on joint activities of FOers in the framework of FOAs.3) A Forest inventory and logistics component would develop recommendations for EU-wide and national assessment of forest resources and their sustainable use; here, also the subjects of afforestations and bio-energy could be integrated</p>			
Partners found already	Forestry-related authorities, Forest Owners' organisations and research institutes from all BS countries (BALTIC 21 Forestry Sector network - except Russia, as there is no private forest property).		
Partners searched	Additional forestry-related authorities, Forest Owners' organisations, NGOs and research institutes). Authorities (e.g. Regional Administrations, Municipalities) in charge for regional (rural, urban) development and spatial planning, interested in co-operation with their regional forest sector, and related research stations, NGOs etc.		
Estimated budget	20,000 EUR Seed Money (approved); 1,2 MEUR expected Main Project		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Spatial planning for modern marine houses		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Project description			
<p>In many cities in Europe in the recent years a lot of waterfront space has become available for living. This is due to the fact that the docks are moving to other areas of the harbours, due to structural changes of harbour activities, e.g. increase of containerised goods.</p> <p>In order to use also these spaces the concept of modern marine houses has been developed. Marine houses are not house boats! Marine houses provide the same comfort as regular houses on land except that they are floating.</p> <p>Of course there are peculiarities which raise many questions: What do the potential inhabitants want? How long does such a floating house last? Can it sink? Can it capsize? How can it be supplied with water and energy? How to handle the wastewater? For how long can a house stay at its berth? What effects has it got on its natural environment? That laws and regulations are needed to secure the marine houses? What peculiarities has to solved concerning tax questions?</p> <p>The project has the objective to give answers to these and many other questions in order to work out practical guide lines for architects, builders and public authorities for the permission of floating houses. In the Interreg IIIB project according to the national composition of the consortium a uniform guide line will be prepared fitting for all the involved countries and an exchange of technical, architectural and urban planning experiences will be at the core of the project. This would enable each partner to implement the results of the experience in their situation.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The general objective is to develop new and unconventional concepts for urban living and working on water areas.</p> <p>The aim is to put one floating house on the water in each participating country.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>In the short run:</p> <p>By innovative spatial planning make it possible to exploit marine environments to a higher degree.</p> <p>To exchange know-how and experiences among the participants in developing good solutions of spatial planning in these areas.</p> <p>To enable more people to settle down in costal areas.</p> <p>In the long run:</p> <p>By innovative spatial planning upgrade the possibilities to build a safer, more robust and sustainable society.</p> <p>By the described approach of spatial planning make it possible for municipalities in coastal areas to grow against the coast to a higher degree.</p> <p>To increase the work-force occupied in building safe modern marine houses</p>			
Partners found already	Partners in Germany, Poland and Latvia		
Partners searched	Regional and municipal authorities in the Baltic states and Poland.		
Estimated budget	1 500 000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	RESOURCE		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy),Institution building,Natural resources		
Project description			
This project will develop innovative and ecological expertise for the regions of the Baltic Sea area, which will have far- reaching, positive implications for sustainable development.			
Central objectives			
The main objective is to develop integrated solutions to allow the most efficient consumption of energy, water, building materials and land resources. The project's aim is also to build up interregional cooperation, focussed in the fields of applied research, management and innovative construction, and will be led by a strategic partnership including universities, the administration, and industry.			
Expected benefits			
<p>The project as a whole opens up new possibilities of exemplary regional and local planning, together with sustainable resource management. This will show the benefits of high quality and cost - efficient construction. New concepts will be demonstrated in the areas of efficient and renewable energy consumption, sustainable water supply and treatment, and rainwater use. Further on, the project will look for system solutions that include sustainable and "smart" (adaptable) building materials, and efficient use of land.</p> <p>--Cooperation across a wide range of organisations and disciplines: covering research, management and construction.</p> <p>-Implementation of new research, management and construction practice ('Resource Optimisation'); integrated approaches to the use of rain and waste water, and application and applied research into resource - efficient adaptable, "smart" building materials.</p> <p>-Assistance for SMEs and the manufacturing sector to help them to adapt to resource- efficient construction. Development or support for related industrial training.</p>			
Partners found already	Hamburg/D (Lead partner + other partners), Gdansk/Gdynia/PL (several partners), St. Petersburg/RU, Riga/LV, Malmö/SE		
Partners searched	all Baltic States The project partners include representatives from political parties, the administration, universities, associations and unions, architects, engineers, city planners, real estate agencies, construction companies and SMEs, as well as the NGO sector.		
Estimated budget	Estimated Project Budget: 2.0 – 2.5 Mio. EUROS		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Main Atlantic salmon rivers of Fennoscandia (ecology, parasites and conservation)		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Cultural and natural heritage, Natural resources,		
Project description			
<p>Our lack of understanding of biology and role played by parasite in salmon's biology has led to a number of disasters the latest of which is spread of the one of the most serious threats to the stocks of wild Atlantic salmon (<i>Gyrodactylus salaris</i>) to Norwegian, Swedish, Finnish and Karelian water bodies and the resultant loss of wild stocks or decrease number of salmon fry and parr.</p> <p>In order to help to avoid further spreading of <i>Gyrodactylus</i> to uninfected countries or regions of Fennoscandia and Baltic the proposed project intends:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To create network for Nordic-Baltic-Karelian institutions that are working with the parasite, biology, management and conservation of Atlantic salmon populations. • To create an Internet forum and innovative higher educational learning courses concerning this issue. • To create preconditions for a larger educational project to continue work started in this project. 			
Central objectives			
To assist to avoid further spreading of Atlantic salmon parasite (<i>Gyrodactylus</i>) to uninfected countries or regions of Fennoscandia and Baltic			
Expected benefits			
<p>Established monitoring on main Atlantic salmon rivers of Fennoscandia (Rivers Teno, Tornio, Keret) will permit creation of the basis for integrated information system for collecting, storage and wide use of different data on ecology of salmon rivers, distribution and the number of <i>Gyrodactylus salaris</i> and other mass parasitic species.</p> <p>Development of practical recommendations on the restriction of dangerous parasites' distribution. Results of the project will be used for the development of student teaching programs.</p> <p>The project also contributes to a goal to create future strategy on studies of parasites and salmon conservation.</p>			
Partners found already	Different research organizations of Russia, Norway, Finland, Sweden, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	“Green Belt of Fennoscandia” – a natural and cultural World heritage site		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Cultural and natural heritage, Natural resources,		
Project description			
The Green Belt of Fennoscandia (GBF) is a strip of pristine (climax) forests along the Russian-Finnish border representing the largest areas of this kind surviving in Eastern Europe. Combining unique natural complexes and cultural monuments of Northwest Russia and Finland into a holistic entity, GBF is of global environmental, historical and cultural value, and deserves to be included in the UNESCO World Heritage List. Organization of GBF will promote international integration in the conservation of the natural and cultural heritage of Northern Europe, as well as its sustainable management.			
Central objectives			
To promote the establishment and development of GBF in the North of Europe as a tool for the conservation and sustainable management of unique objects of the world natural and cultural heritage; to prepare the information package for GBF nomination for the UNESCO World Heritage List; to raise awareness of the natural and cultural heritage of the land.			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – developing the pan-European network of protected areas and biosphere reserves – facilitating the broadening of the network of experts from Russia and other countries participating in GBF organization and development (PA-based); – strengthening interactions among authorities, business, science and society; – raising awareness among decision-makers; – stimulating new ideas and projects aiming to develop GBF and further international integration; – drawing public attention to the problems of conserving the natural and cultural heritage of the area. 			
Partners found already	Finnish Ministry of the Environment, Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), Finnish-Russian Working Group on Nature Conservation, North Karelia Environmental Centre, Finland North Karelia Biosphere Reserve, Finland Metsähallitus (Finnish Forest and Park Service)“Natural Heritage Conservation” Foundation Republic of Karelia Department for Natural Resources of the Ministry for Natural Resources of Russia Baltic Fund for Nature, St. Petersburg Naturalists Society		
Partners searched	Any interested stakeholders		
Estimated budget	Long-term project		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Fast Transport by Ground Effect Crafts		
Priority	2 - Promotion of territorial structures supporting sustainable BSR development (settlement structures, communication links, cultural and natural heritage)		
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Thematic keywords	Transport, Institution building, Business environment		
Project description			
<p>The BSR has still problems with transport. It takes e.g. more than 8 hours to go from Wismar to Karlskrona by car and ferry or by aeroplane and train. So the lack of fast personnel transport inhibit communication and co-operation between persons in different regions.</p> <p>Using the Baltic Sea as an fast transport way by Ground Effect Crafts it should be possible to lower the in-motion time to a third or a quarter.</p> <p>The project will investigate technical, economical, safety and environmental aspects of this type of transport.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Create faster transport via Baltic Sea. 2. Strengthen co-operation and networking between people in administrations and enterprises in different regions via personnel contacts. 3. Support regional development in regions without large ports and airports but with direct connection to the Baltic Sea. 			
Expected benefits			
A network of smaller ports in the BSR offering fast transport, studies about possible security and environmental problems and market conditions, pilot projects			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Twinning of Nordic countries for capacity rising through exchange of practical knowledge on sustainable development at local and regional level		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, Urban-urban/rural relationships, Business environment		
Project description			
<p>New EU member states must rise their administrative capacity in order to cope with new EU policies. Partners will explore the new regional policies of co-operation around the Baltic Sea area, targeting sustainable development of local municipalities; how to influence decision-making process in the EU for bringing sustainable regional development topics to the tables of European Commission and Committee of Regions. Also the Nordic Dimension policies shall be scrutinized for better inclusion of North-West Russia in future project applications. The priority for joint projects and enterprises are clearly set towards sustainable development and transfer of know-how on environmentally friendly technology. In this area there are several EU- directives and policies that have to be fulfilled.</p> <p>Work-packages shall cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Networking with international organizations of renewable energy and sustainable development -Raising the environmental awareness among the citizens of local municipalities in order to implement new management systems - Creation of on coherent basis of sustainable development rules applicable to local municipalities -Auditing of energy infrastructures for creation of technical basis for transfer of sustainable know-how -Observation of technical and financial opportunities for installation of environmental technology in the public institutions - Supporting the rural entrepreneurship through network of local municipalities and local trade associations - Networking with North-West Russia and voicing the Nordic Dimension policies - Networking with EU institutions and dissemination of best-practice learned 			
Central objectives			
<p>Project wants to develop a grass-root educational program aimed to build up Baltic-Nordic network of sustainable development.</p> <p>The target group to this education program is local politicians, public-servants and local companies working in areas where overall rules of sustainable development are applicable. Our concept is to bring the experiences from Nordic municipalities and counties to Baltic dimension.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Project shall bring new thinking for improvement of environmental technology, energy systems and sustainable management to the level of local municipalities of several Baltic municipalities, from where the lessons learned can be widely replicated to the municipalities not currently involved.</p>			
Partners found already	Askola community, Finland Melhus community, Norway		
Partners searched	The local municipalities from Baltic States and BSR area		
Estimated budget	700 000 in three years		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Support to Science – Entrepreneurship Excellence Link		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Business environment, Institution building,		
Project description			
<p>The high technologies and knowledge based economy is the main source of long term growth. Thereby, the creation of good connection between research and the business community, which deals with the real life implementation of innovations, is the most important factor to achieve this sustainability. Baltic Sea Region (BSR) countries (Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania and Russia) state the problems the low research activity and low high value added. A considerable risk reduction can be achieved through support to scientists develop business concept and understand the market for their product that can be presented to financial investors.</p> <p>On the other side the developed countries (Sweden, Germany) have this necessary expertise, developed financial markets and venture capital. The project aims to initiate a cooperation model and show the initial good practice for further activities.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objective is to promote the economic growth and long term sustainability through creation of strong regional network of actors involved in the link connecting science and business. The project will deal with highlighted problem in the targeted countries (Latvia, Estonia, Lithuania and Russia) and create a network with organizations from developed countries (Sweden, Germany) to transfer the expertise, exchange the ideas, market the innovations abroad and create a synergetic innovation development with participation of scientists and industry experts from different countries. The project is viewed as a pilot project for ongoing activities according to developed action model that reduces the identified gap.</p> <p>The results - created network, gathered data and conducted studies - will be used to initiate new projects in 6th Framework and INTERREG to make sustainable development necessary for project results.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>The expected benefits from the project realization: Created a network of scientists, business experts and financial investors; Data base of most perspective scientists and innovation ideas for further projects (6th Framework and joined INTERREG activities and private investors); Evaluation of the current science potential and further research and development possibilities; The substantial increase in understanding of basic business principles and planning in the science community; Screened most perspective ideas innovation in universities and prepared for implementation with potential to high added value production that will create new working places, taxes in budgets and export potential; Promotion of science in the private sector.</p>			
Partners found already	9 partners (Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Sweden, Russia, Belarus)		
Partners searched	Poland - Universities, business and innovation support organizations Germany, Sweden, Finland – venture capital associations or equivalent bodies		
Estimated budget	700 000 - 900 000 EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	02/2004		

Project Title	Baltic education, research and business institution network to promote food safety and quality problem solutions in the region		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,,		
Project description			
<p>The idea of the project is to establish Baltic sea regional food safety and quality partnership and information exchange network through involvement of education, research and business institutions directly or indirectly related food sector. Project activities will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings, workshops, twinning type activities as joint research works etc. to enhance consultation and cooperation between Baltic Sea countries; - development of regional education, training and biological products related business data base; - exchange of experience and elaboration of guidelines for development of curricula for schools on safe and healthy food and healthy lifestyle, - capacity building for development and implementation of food quality standards (labelling); - workshops related promotion of biological agricultural production and specific professional trainings; - activities addressing increase of public awareness regarding safe and healthy food issues; - development of general concept for school children education campaigns on public health and healthy lifestyle aspects. 			
Central objectives			
<p>The overall project objective is to promote a healthy lifestyle through improvement of information exchange and transfer of knowledge between different actors related food sector in Baltic Sea Countries. The project will strengthen contacts between food related education, research and business institutions and encourage development of joint activities aimed at improvement of food quality and safety aspects in the region.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - established food safety and quality partnership and information exchange network between regional education, research and business institutions related food sector; - identified common future project ideas and area for cooperative activities; - increased public awareness on safe, healthy food traditions; - harmonized understanding about safe, sustainable food production. - elaborated guidelines for development of curricula for schools on safe and healthy food and healthy lifestyle. 			
Partners found already	Estonian Agriculture University		
Partners searched	Partners of food sector related education, research and business institutions from Baltic sea region countries		
Estimated budget	Under discussion		
Date of filling-in the form	02/2004		

Project Title	Implementation of the Water Framework Directive in larger Baltic rivers and surrounding drainage areas		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Natural resources, Institution building, Macroregional strategies		
Project description			
To show in a practical way how the Water Framework Directive can be implemented in different drainage areas. To bring the water systems towards the status required in the water directive. Network building between authorities, organisations and companies to achieve a better understanding in monitoring, protecting water resources and make efforts to achieve better water quality. Cooperate with similar organisation in some of the new EU-countries in the Baltic sea basin to adjust us to the water directive.			
Central objectives			
Water Framework directive, good ecological status, monitoring of water resources, sustainable water management, network building			
Expected benefits			
The outcomes are mainly the knowledge needed to bring our water systems towards the status required in the WFD. Better knowledge about water resources, cooperation between similar organisation in different countries, focus on monitoring the right parameters in a larger perspective(Baltic sea basin)			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	03/2004		

Project Title	Bridging Innovation Divide (BID)		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Business environment, Institution building,		
Project description			
<p>The main objective of the project is: Bridging of the Innovation Divide between Eastern and Western Baltic regions through creation of innovation support infrastructures in less favoured regions.</p> <p>The project will build on the experiences gained by project currently implemented in Lithuania by DTI to create Innovation Support Infrastructure here. The gaps of innovation systems will be identified in participating regions. Curricula for innovation management training and policy development will be created. Further the project will focus on creation of a number partnerships, working on the implementation of concrete business projects in SME's. Partnerships will receive detailed theoretical and practical training and consulting support during implementation of the projects.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Raising awareness on importance of innovation, establishing key regional partnerships/networks for innovation and procedures of cooperation · Creating curricula and delivery of training for regional innovation networks · Establishment of permanent regional innovation support and promotion infrastructures 			
Expected benefits			
<p>Curricula for the continuous innovation support, management and promotion developed and applied</p> <p>100 persons in participating regions received theoretical and practical training on innovation management</p> <p>20 business innovation projects developed with participation of business, public governance and research/education institutions.</p> <p>Joint innovation support service and Baltic Innovation Support portal created and operational for continuous support of innovation in participating regions and expansion of the network</p>			
Partners found already	Danish Institute of Technology Lithuanian Innovation Centre		
Partners searched	All regions of BSR		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	04/2004		

Project Title	Baltic Euroregional Network (BEN)		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,Macroregional strategies,Business environment		
Project description			
<p>Project aims to develop and strenghten a network of euroregions in the Baltic Sea Region. Euroregions are important partners for national governments and international organisations in the spatial planning activities as they represent the local and regional actors, they have established cooperation across the border and because border regions usually are peripheral and economically back-lacking compared with centrally located growth centers. At the same time capacity of euroregions still differs a lot. Project should enable euroregions to exchange their experiences and develop best practice examples through network meetings, seminars, pilot studies and special CBC toolbox.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To increase the role of euroregions/CBC regions as active local partners in the process of spatial planning in the Baltic Sea Region; - To increase development of cross-border cooperation activities in the BSR especially at the external EU borders. - To strengthen administrative capacity and professional qualifications of euroregions and their members (local and regional authorities); - To increase cooperation between euroregions in BSR, and by this to contribute to the exchange of ideas and best practice examples within the field of spatial planning; - To initiate new partnerships and projects between the members of the network. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development of strong network of CBC regions/euroregions in BSR, ready to take active role in the process of spatial planning; - Development of administrative capacity of existing CBC structures and in local and regional authorities where euroregions are not established; - Increase of CBC activities in BSR; - Establishment of procedures for permanent dialog between euroregions and national governments; - Toolbox for CBC created and placed in the internet. 			
Partners found already	Nordic Council of Ministers, Euroregions Country of lakes, Pskov-Livonia, Bartuva, Saule, Euregio Helsinki-Tallin, Peipsi CTC, Nordregio, Kaliningrad Region administration, Leningrad Region administration.		
Partners searched	Euroregions in the Nordic countries, Baltic states, Poland and North-West Russia.		
Estimated budget	around 900.000 EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Regional Cooperation in Waste Management - RECO		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, Macroregional strategies, Natural resources		
Project description			
<p>RECO is a waste management and spatial planning project focusing on supporting the development of regional institutions for waste management. Inter Regional, trans-regional and trans-national cooperation is essential in order to create an efficient waste management system that conforms with EU regulations and enables the use of efficient technology. The project will be carried out in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Sweden and in cooperation with German partners. A parallel project with similar content, RECO East will be run in Belarus and Kaliningrad with separate funding. The project will be coordinated with several ongoing projects in the region ISPA, Tacis, Sepa, Interreg (Baltic Haz project) etc. The RECO project has also received Baltic 21 seal of approval.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objective of the project is to improve waste management system in the BSR in cooperation between RWMI, local municipalities and authorities by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing Regional Waste Management Institutions • Developing a Waste management handbook, translated and adapted to local conditions and legislation. • Carrying out an education program for key decision makers in municipalities and RWMI on waste management • Developing local and regional waste management plans and bylaws according to EU regulations and based on a life cycle cost/best available technology analyses • Developing information material for increased public and corporate awareness in waste issues through regional information campaigns • Creating a trans national co-operation body, a Baltic Waste Management Council in order to enhance waste management co-operation in the Baltic Sea Region • Facilitating investments through supporting a well functioning market for Waste Management- and Environmental technology in the Baltic Sea Region. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regional Waste Management Institutions have been created - Operational Waste management implemented. - Key decision makers given a waste management training - Handbook in waste management and spatial planning has been developed - Raised public and corporate awareness and participation - Regional and Municipal Waste Management updated - Waste system infrastructure investments generated - A Baltic Waste Management Council has been organised 			
Partners found already	Please contact Carl Backlund carlb@ab.lst.se for partner info (lack of document space)		
Partners searched	Other planned or ongoing waste related projects in the region in order to coordinate activities.		
Estimated budget	Approx 1,1 M Eur.		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Virtual Baltic Sea Region Forest Research - VirBSeFoRI		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,Natural resources,Macroregional strategies		
Project description			
Forest research is extremely important for regional development in all BSR countries but the cooperation between research institutes has been poor so far, partly due to cultural/regional differences. The project will result in creating a strong BSR Forest Research Network/Institute that will bring together expertise of the regions in question and decrease overlapping of research activities. The new 'virtual BSR forest research unit' can provide the stakeholders in BSR countries with up-to-date and comprehensive information that is not available in single institutes. It will also improve the European competitiveness in the forest research sector and thus benefit all the European countries.			
Central objectives			
VirBSeFoRI: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint administrative strategic planning - Joint infrastructure (laboratories, field experiments) - Information exchange (analysis, data, results) - Joint dissemination of results (publications, reports) - Joint extension of activities (www-services, seminars) - Joint research projects, programmes - Programmes for researcher training and mobility 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improved quality of forest research in BSR countries - Faster introduction of innovations into practice - Better use of research results for BSR stakeholders (politicians, industry, forest owners, NGOs..) - Better use of resources -> cut in research costs - Improved forest research capacity in BSR - Rise of forest research significance/profile in BSR countries - Higher competitiveness in Europe - Improved quality of forest education - Improved mobility and cooperation of forest researchers 			
Partners found already	Finland: Finnish Forest Research Institute, Finnish Forest Association Denmark: Danish Centre for Forest, Landscape and Planning Sweden: Forestry Research Institute of Sweden, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences Norway: Norwegian Forest Research Institute Poland: Forest Institute in Warsaw		
Partners searched	Latvia: Latvian State Forestry Institute Lithuania: Lithuanian Forest Research Institute Estonia: Estonian Forest Research Institute		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Strengthening institutional structures and spatial planning capacities of Euroregion Baltic		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, ICT, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas		
Project description			
<p>The project will deal with Euroregion Baltic's institutional capacities, benchmarking, coastal planning, maritime environment, human resources, networking, and sustainable environmental development. Supporting activities: joint benchmarking system, seminars, e-conference, and strong emphases on developing skills and competences in the knowledge society and economy, creation project development teams capable of integrating ERB objectives with EU policies will help to make ERB a more effective and efficient actor in the southeast BSR. To achieve transnationality, meetings with experts, officials, and politicians working for the partners, promoting transfer of best practices, competence development, comparative studies, etc. are planned. Involvement of politicians will secure a long-term impact of the project.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Benefiting the cohesion in the southeast BSR through facilitating economic, social and environmental sustainability. The central objective will be to enhance institutional capacities of ERB by streamlining its activities, integrating EU policies with ERB Joint Transnational Development Programme (outcome of Interreg III B project Seagull), strengthening the competence among officials and politicians in their role of spatial planning agents, and by implementing 2nd Northern Dimension Action Plan and European Neighbourhood Policy aiming at more effective integration of the Kaliningrad Region into EU cooperation.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>The project will make Euroregion Baltic a stronger organization, capable of carrying out more coherent activities contributing to sustainable development in the region. Institutional capacity of ERB will be improved by the creation of project development teams, establishment of internal structures enabling the collection and analyses of EU structural indicators, definition of priorities for the future structural funds, setting up cooperative networks providing lifelong and e-learning facilities, and improving labour mobility within ERB. ERB will also become a more transparent. An effective and efficient Euroregion Baltic will be able to offer even greater contribution to the cohesion process considering its political implications: partnership with the Kaliningrad Region and the future status of a European Grouping of Crossborder Cooperation.</p>			
Partners found already	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regional Municipality of Bornholm (also contributing financially) 2. Klaipeda County Administration (also contributing financially) 3. Regional Council of Kalmar County 4. Regional Council of Blekinge County, 5. Association of Local Authorities of Kronoberg County 6. Kronoberg County Council 7. Administration of Kaliningrad Municipalities 		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	EUR 330,000.00		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	ScanBalt Campus – A non-traditional Life Science university-formation at a meta-regional level with a modular set-up, adding value to education, research and technology transfer		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Macroregional strategies, Institution building,		
Project description			
<p>ScanBalt Campus – an educational platform from idea to market: ScanBalt Campus will create an educational platform linking universities, companies and other actors from the biotech / life sciences communities in ScanBalt BioRegion, thus aiming at increasing public / private partnerships in education, research and development. ScanBalt Campus will include the whole value chain of knowledge from idea to market:</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · To establish an educational centre focussed on excellence within ScanBalt BioRegion between universities, hospitals, companies and other actors, like tech transfer organisations, with the purpose to be an education provider of unsurpassed flexibility and expertise from idea to market. · To create the design for the first “Triple Helix”, (university, industry, government) combined physical-virtual, university structure in Europe. 			
Expected benefits			
<p>ScanBalt Campus will increase the level and effective cooperation of skills and knowledge in the ScanBalt Bioregion. By pooling universities in collaboration with companies, hospitals and other relevant actors, flexible arrangements of high quality and relevance, will be achieved. The effect will be on the graduate as well as the postgraduate level. Impact on SME's and industry's competence supply . Impact on “brain drain”:</p>			
Partners found already	20 partners from 11 countries have signed a letter of comitted interest, representing major universities and regional biotech development organisations		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	3 mill. Euro		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Catch the future in the Baltic sea Region		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,,		
Project description			
<p>This is an idea concerning training of leaders from the areas of social work. Leadership, management and organisation between Stockholm, Riga and Vilnius. The amount of the leaders should be about 6-8 persons per country</p> <p>We want to have a gender perspective</p> <p>The project should start in the spring 2005 and will take place by seminars and meetings in the three cities and by electronic communication. The language should be English</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>To train and develop leaders in the three cities Riga Stockholm and Vilnius by meetings, using researchers from the three countries, by work with a field task which makes it possible to change experiences, by using the computer..</p> <p>We want to compare organisations, methods, culture, values and ethics</p> <p>implement democratic, communicative and learning leaderships</p> <p>discuss the chief as a leader of personnel</p> <p>the leader as responsible for change, function and position</p> <p>actual research about leadership</p> <p>comparing leadership between private and authorities</p> <p>implement EU know-how</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Develop a network by leaders in social work between the three cities.</p> <p>Deepen and find new subjects for cooperation in the field of social work as trafficking, children supporting each other in using administration tool in IT</p>			
Partners found already	We have partners in The Social Welfare Department in Riga and Vilnius		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	Not discussed yet		
Date of filling-in the form	08/2004		

Project Title	Facilitating horizontal and vertical networking in the Baltic Sea region by using innovative telemedicine solutions		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, ICT		
Project description			
<p>Density of population, remoteness, misbalance in development of urban-rural settlements, previous communist time lacking behind are problems which make to seek for alternative to traditional health care system in the BSR incl. Islands and archipelago areas. The situation where in metropolitan regions offer in healthcare services exceeds demand whereas less developed rural settlements lack professional services and sense the drain of routine medical services to bigger medical centers forces to turn to Telemedicine that can offer services in areas where healthcare is either often limited or with relatively low quality. The project will enhance Telemedicine as innovative tool for facilitating the delivery of equitable healthcare and medical education services irrespective of distance and availability of specialized expertise, reduce isolation of rural and insular health care practitioners and thus contribute to more balanced, sustainable economic development and demographic situation regarding the BSR.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Objectives: Enhance Telemedicine as a strategic, innovative tool for facilitating the delivery of equitable healthcare and medical education services irrespective of distance and availability of specialized expertise, reduce the isolation of rural health care practitioners in BSR, contribute to more balanced, sustainable economic development and demographical situation of the region. Provide models for the introduction of IT based health care, feasibility study on Telemedicine implementation effectiveness in the BSR. Cooperation network of professionals in Telemedicine. The project will integrate the public and private initiative efforts, create synergy for the transfer of best practice and services in the field of telemedicine in the BSR.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Outcomes: more balanced availability of health care services both in rural and urban areas of the BSR incl. insular and archipelago areas by implementing Telemedicine solutions. Best practice models for introducing telecommunication-based healthcare products in the BSR. Feasibility study on advantages, cost effectiveness of Telemedicine implementation. Virtual database with transnational network of Telemedicine professionals. in the BSR. Presentation events of Telemedicine possibilities, advantages in the BSR.. Test and pilot telesessions in ophthalmology, ultrasound. Teletraining programs, teletraining courses for primary care doctors and prospects. International Telemedicine Conference for Telemedicine promotion in the BSR incl. insular and archipelago areas.</p>			
Partners found already	Kuopio University hospital, Finnish Telemedicine Association, Telemedicine Centre of Kaunas University of Medicine, The Estonian Society of Family Doctors, Oulu Polytechnic, Hiiumaa Hospital, Hiiumaa Local Municipality Association, Visby Hospital, Central Hospital Mariehamn, Norrtälje Hospital. Private sector non-eligible funding from TeliaSonera.		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	Total 2 345 390,00 euro; ERDF Funding 1 443 120 euro; National co-financing 902 270,00 euro		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Via Baltica Nordica Tourism Clustering		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Institution building,		
Project description			
<p>Via Baltica Nordica is one of the most dynamically developing areas in the Baltic Sea Region and in the whole Europe. Wide cultural, economical and structural variety is a fascinating challenge of the zone. Under this variation of preconditions we know there are large potentials for clustering to support joint business and marketing. In the VBN area we have regions that want to make use of tourism as a tool for regional development; destinations focusing on marketing to get more visitors; researchers with a lot of knowledge on tourism development, and last but not least, a growing number of people working in the business in the need of tools to develop their specific attractions. Developed relations and co-ordination between these action forces, clusters, will be essential for the balanced economical and territorial development of the Via Baltica Nordica Zone.</p> <p>WP1 Via Baltica Nordica Umbrella WP2 Cluster Development WP3 Pilots WP4 Information Systems</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support a balanced spatial development in the Via Baltica Nordica Zone - Provide an international co-operating framework for all participating actors - Strengthen partners to develop clusters and to work with tourism as a tool for regional development - Develop methods for improving key attractions and concepts focusing on an international audience - Develop and arrange The Baltic Tourism Cluster Forum, a knowledge and meeting place on destination and cluster development for tourism industry at the Pan-Baltic level 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A number of functional clusters - SME's provided with better access to innovation - Better use of information and communication technologies - Increased number of visitors - More profitable tourism companies - The Baltic Tourism Cluster Forum 			
Partners found already	Blue Highway Association/E12 Alliance, Municipalities, County Administration of Västerbotten, Sweden; Regional Council of Häme, Via Finlandia, FinnFive, Via Karelia, Finnish Tourism Board, Finland; Estonian Rural Tourism Association, Pärnu College of Tartu University Rapla County, Estonia; Latvian Tourism Development Agency, Latvian Country Tourism Association, City of Bauska, Latvia; Kaunas, Marijampole and Panevezys Counties, Lithuania; Podlaskie Voivodship, Poland; Region Planning Council Havelland-Fläming, Germany		
Partners searched	National Tourism Boards in different countries		
Estimated budget	4 500 000 euro		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Baltic PartiSeaPation		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas, Business environment		
Project description			
<p>The project implements public particip. within sust. coastal and ICZM-activities by implementng one "Main Baltic Transfer platform" (MBTP) and several "Regional Participation Platforms" (RPP) all around the baltic sea. The MBTP shall collect knowledge, provide information, education and communication and combine activities, support network building among the RPP's, enable synergy effects of the RPP, promotes sustainable coastal lifestyles. Each RPP shall wrpl on/ for (a) special theme(s) and link NGO's, educat. institutions and inhabitants as well as repres. of municipalities and the econ. sector, support the dissemination of results, information, best practice and contacts in order to enable and implement transregional cooperation for sustainable coastal zone development and provide workshops for awareness raising, and meeting possibilities for local participation groups.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>building the Participation Platforms in order to involve local people in the spatial development of the coastal area and its catchment area to develop a transregional understanding and transregional good practices and solutions for the implementation and promotion of sustainable coastal development that means sustainable lifestyle; Starting networks crosslinking local and regional partners all around the baltic sea; common capacity building for the transregional development of sustainable coastal development strategies and pilotprojects in the field of local agenda 21, iczm and sustainable coastal economy</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>implemented new structure i.o. to promote participation for SD in the whole BSR; new transregional cooperation of local and regional, crosssectorial and -hierarchy partners from different countries (horizontal and vertical integration); start of change of behaviour of BSR-inhabitants in the field of production, local decisionmaking for sust. coastal develop.; new transreg. products are developed; participation proc. are started or improved in different countries with links and common discussions and a transnational network of local stakeholders, experts and public.</p>			
Partners found already	<p>in Finland: BLA 21F, University of Helsinki, Syke, Environmental NGO; Latvia (University of Riga and further partners); Lithuania: (ECAT and further partners); Denmark: (Storström County); Germany: (Baltic Sea Institute, environmental "experience!" centre Maasholm, Local Agenda 21 office in the Oder Astuare, environmental academy of Schleswig Holstein, CoNet CZA 21 association and further partners); Estonia: (SEI-Tallin); Sweden: University of Gotland As not- EU-member, partner but with an own application: Russia (University of St. Petersburg, children of the Baltic, Center for environmental initiatives, administration of the town of Primorsk)</p>		
Partners searched	in Poland		
Estimated budget	1,5 Mio Euro in total		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	BUSTRIP- Baltic Urban Sustainable Transport and Implementation Planning		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Transport, Polycentric settlement structure,		
Project description			
<p>The development of Sustainable Urban Transport Plans is one key to success in creating well-planned, smoothly working, sustainable transport systems, that forms the basis for tourism and business activities. The potential of the cities to become engines in the development of the Baltic Sea Region is not fully explored and there are synergies to be drawn through the learning from each others experiences in the field of transport and urban planning.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>To face the challenges and serve the cities with tools to create more sustainable transport plans, the project aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Propose solutions for decoupling of economic and transport growth in Baltic Sea Region cities through sustainable transport and urban planning. · Present tools and instruments for the cities to avoid urban sprawl and to create cities with a good living environment and prerequisites to become tourist magnets. · Contribute to the reduction of traffic and pollution, including noise pollution in the cities around the Baltic Sea. · Create a common knowledge and capacity base through benchmarking, peer reviews, training, pilot actions, etc for the Baltic Cities on how to create Sustainable Urban Transport Plans. 			
Expected benefits			
<p>The experiences exchanged between the cities and input from Peer reviews, study visits and workshops will form the basis for the deliverables:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Guidebooks gathering the Good Practices and the lessons learnt from the cities. · The plans, in other words Sustainable Transport Plans for Urban districts, areas and cities in the Baltic Sea Region. · Implemented pilot projects in the field of Sustainable Urban Transports · A strengthened and active UBC transport network with a large number of cities in the region working with Sustainable Urban Transport linking not only environmental and transport issues but also social and health aspects. 			
Partners found already	UBC Commission on Environment (City of Turku), UBC Commission on Transportation (City of Göteborg)		
Partners searched	Not searched yet but the aim is to create a strong network with estimated 10 cities around the Baltic sea.		
Estimated budget	4 Million Euro (total budget)		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Promotion of new ideas in Architecture, Construction and regional Planning		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Macroregional strategies, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Cultural and natural heritage		
Project description			
<p>Actual problems of towns like decreasing inhabitants are encountered normally with methods in urban planning and surrounding topics in the area of sustainability. But the quality of architecture is not a topic of discussion in connection with the quality of work and life in a town and his relevance to development of towns at the moment.</p> <p>Additional is there a gap between theoretical knowledge and practice in architecture, construction and regional planning. We have a lack of knowledge about what is good architecture among investors, experts, and public.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The project will investigate links between architecture and regional development, and discuss the findings with participating experts and public.</p> <p>It will develop and promote new ideas in architecture, construction and regional planning. Project partners will develop public campaigns in architecture, construction and regional planning like exhibitions, conferences and examples of best practice.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Participating Baltic Sea Region towns and institutions will sharpen their profile as leaders in architecture, construction and regional planning. It will be a competitive advancement in attracting inhabitants, investors and tourists.</p> <p>Exhibitions and examples of outstanding architecture will have an additional effect.</p>			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	<p>We are searching for partners in following workpackades</p> <p>We propose to investigate three different aspects needed to understand effects of good architecture. They are complemented with three examples of methods to promote good practice in architecture and construction.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Perception of Architecture - Macroeconomical Effects of Architectural Exhibitions - Architecture as an Asset - International Building Exhibition Wismar 2008 - Architectural exhibition to be shown around Baltic Sea - Architecture TV. 		
Estimated budget	1.500.000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Equal Life Long Learning Access for Urban and Rural Areas (ELLLA)		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, Urban-urban/rural relationships,		
Project description			
<p>Life long learning has become a key factor of society and economy knowledge supported for the future development. The creation of the prerequisites for Life long learning becomes one of the central challenges of our societies and the politics, particularly at regional and local level. Though the access possibilities for Life long learning are distributed dissimilarly. The planned project brings towns together, which want to develop together with their surroundings a concept for the creation of equal access to further education supply. Aspects to be treated are the analysis of the regional offers for Life long learning, networking of education suppliers according to a user oriented learning region, a tuned Life long learning supply planning, the creation of an WEB based education supply with booking possibilities and the examination and proof testing of e-Learning .</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Main objective is to show ways to reduce the gap in education offers between towns and their surrounding suburban and rural areas and to offer to the residents in rural and suburban areas equal chances to access Life long learning opportunities. The project shall contribute through this to offer high-quality and user oriented education as a prerequisite for the realization of the knowledge based society and economy also outside of towns with a well fully developed education supply structure. Thus the project also aims at a balanced development of the education offers and education access in the regions involved in the project. It contributes exemplarily to a balanced spatial development and to the overcoming of structural discriminations against suburban and rural areas for the area of the education services.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>A qualitative improvement in the supply structure for Life long learning is expected at the level of the participating regions. It is expected that in the project course new forms result for the cooperation between towns and surroundings and the newly developed and implemented co operations, tools and offers will find a solid place in the future education repertoire of the regions themselves and will furthermore be used after project end.</p> <p>For citizens and enterprises in the involved areas an improvement in the access and the size of the education offers is expected. It is expected particularly that future oriented offers to the support of the innovation ability of the businesses in the involved regions and to the refreshment of the local humane resources by the project are initiated.</p>			
Partners found already	Municipality of Pori, Pomerania Regional Development Agency ?, RKK Rogaland, Municipality of Tartu, Kaliningrad State Technical University, Kaliningrad Oblast (some partners still not confirmed)		
Partners searched	none		
Estimated budget	2 Mio.€		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Transnational network for sustainable tree-nursery in the BSR		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Urban-urban/rural relationships, Institution building, Business environment		
Project description			
<p>Tree-nursery as an important part of agriculture produces trees and shrubs for forests, gardens, landscape and public park-grounds. In the BSR there is only little transnational exchange and communication between experimental stations, advisers and educational establishments, especially between old and new EU Member States.</p> <p>In rural regions with intensive tree-nursery, fertilizers, chemicals for plant-protection and high consumption of water can cause negative impact on the quantity/quality of drinking water as examples in Germany (Kreis Pinneberg) and Holland show. There is a need for developing new methods of plant-production to avoid problems in the future and present results of experimental work to producers, apprentices, educated gardeners and advisers.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>Main objectives: Building up a network of communication and exchange between producers, experimental stations, advisers and educational establishments in the Baltic Sea Region. Building or strengthening autonomous institutions of tree-nursery producers and horticulture. Development of more environmental friendly methods of tree-nursery. Strengthening rural regions in the BSR by developing alternative ways of agriculture production.</p> <p>Location of activities: The new horticulture-centre in Ellerhoop-Thiensen (north of Hamburg, Germany), education establishments, experimental stations, advisory boards and tree-nurseries in all eligible BSR INTERREG IIIB states. An Internet-platform shall be established.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Development and exchange of know-how about sustainable tree-nursery in the Baltic Sea Region for education, experimental station work and advisers. By division of labour in the production of trees and shrubs, producers can profit from climatic advantages of the different regions or produce plants from autochthonous seed (For instance seeding plants in atlantic climate, finishing production under continental conditions during the next year(s). Autonomous horticulture institutions and advisers can use the network to contact commercial partners in the BSR. By harmonizing contents of education environmental friendly production and different demands for products can be taken into consideration. The network can help establish tree-nurseries as an alternative business in rural regions.</p>			
Partners found already	Denmark: Dansk Center for Jordbrugsuddannelse Estonia: Luua Forestry School Finland: agricultural educational administration Sweden: Naturbruksgymnasiet Dingle Lithuania: Lithuanian Institute of Horticulture, Siauliai Reg. Devel. Agency Latvia: Lauksaimnieku Informācijas Birojs		
Partners searched	1. agriculture administrations 2. horticulture educational establishments 3. autonomous associations of tree- nursery/horticulture producers in eligible BSR states/areas		
Estimated budget	750.000 € from June 2005 until December 2007		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Development of synergy potentials of SMEs in the Nordic-Baltic Region by strengthening innovation		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,Business environment,Cultural and natural heritage		
Project description			
<p>The countries of the Nordic and Baltic Sea region are all facing challenges to their long term economic growth and competitiveness Both the Nordic and Baltic Sea countries are looking to innovation as pivotal for tackling the structural challenges facing their economies. Innovation refers to new processes and ways of doing things, as much as it does new products. SMEs are widely recognized as a primary source of innovation and entrepreneurial activity. From a SME perspective, innovation increases competitiveness in two ways. Firstly, innovation can lead to greater productivity, and thus competitiveness, through improved production, organisation, distribution and other processes. Secondly, innovation can lead to new products, services or strategies, which allow companies to secure existing market shares and/or penetrate new markets or market segments. The project idea is to develop a cross-border network for SMEs in Denmark, Sweden, and one or two E-BSR countries (yet not defined) by recruiting 10 SMEs in DK and 10 in Sweden. Further 20 SMEs should be recruited in the E-BSR. The participating SMEs will be taken through a structured process incl. training and education, individual guidance and advisory services, traineeships in SMEs in foreign partner countries, and establishment of a viable cross-border network.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To develop a viable network between SMEs in W-BSR and E-BSR 2. To strengthen a dynamic and active SME business development in the BSR 3. To develop leadership skills of SME management in the BSR 4. To enhance employment in SMEs in the BSR (SMEs represent of 60% of total labour force in the BSR) 			
Expected benefits			
<p>The creation of a structured process, in which all participants can develop a shared understanding of key issues and possible actions in order to move forward. The project will establish successful interaction between SMEs in BSR in order to develop innovative ability. The SMEs will constitute a diverse mix of strengths, experiences and approaches to common issues. The project will offer a clear opportunity for cooperation on concrete key issues and initiatives, and thus improve the innovative strength and performance of SMEs. A viable cross-border network open to SMEs other than those already included in the project. Growth and prosperity in the society are now depending crucially on the ability of organisations to generate access and utilize knowledge and information. The project will develop a model for what SMEs can do to strengthen innovative performance, which subsequently can be used by SMEs all over the BSR.</p>			
Partners found already	Yes ALMI in Sweden. Partners in E-BSR have to be searched for		
Partners searched	No not at the present time		
Estimated budget	2,000,000 EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	Developing human health and wellbeing together in different environments		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, Polycentric settlement structure, Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas		
Project description			
<p>The idea to this project came from two municipalities: Utäjärvi in Finland and Muhu in Estonia. The point is that both municipalities have to organize social and health services themselves. The project gives the opportunity to develop new ways of organising services for people in their own environments. We need creative solutions to plan together and take into consideration all the ideas around. It's important to change experiences and give education for it. The problem is what kind of services has to be developed in rural areas which will give the help and support what is needed.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objectives are following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The aim is to develop co-operation in democratic way. It includes co-operation between the staff and different sectors but also between clients/patients and the staff. 2. The aim is to develop feedback system where the quality of services is checked. 3. The project develop the social and health structures to rural areas. This means, that everybody knows the logic of services and everybody gets the education what is needed. One developing area is e.g. the homecare for families and elderly people. 4. The project gives opportunities to use the technology for better care, e.g. mobile with television screen. 5. The aim is also to learn understand the environment as a part of human health and wellbeing. Developing the environment helps people to manage themselves. This includes e.g. handicapped people. 			
Expected benefits			
<p>The expected outcomes are following:</p> <p>The municipalities develop a network between the countries. They learn from each other by changing experiences. Every municipality develop the social and health structure for themselves. That includes the services which are best for the inhabitants in their own environments. The staff gets the education for these services and have the knowledge which is needed. They build a feedback system which gives the opportunity to inhabitants to tell their opinions about social and health care. They learn to use technology for helping people in different environments. The co-operation is natural and flexible between clients/patients and staff and also between managers, staff and inhabitants. The plan is made for co-operation in practice.</p>			
Partners found already	Finland: The municipality of Utäjärvi, island of Hailuoto Estonia: The municipality of Muhu		
Partners searched	Estonia: the municipality of Saarenmaa The partner from Latvia or Liettua		
Estimated budget	Seed money: 10 000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	09/2004		

Project Title	The Baltic Center of development of dredging-technologies.		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Natural resources,Business environment,Institution building		
Project description			
<p>Dredging works carry out in many cities BSR of region as in ports and ship canals so and in water area of the City Rivers. The main problem is caused by the dumps of removed bottom sediments which in city conditions, as a rule, are polluted with salts of heavy metals and organic substance. Thus these dumps occupy essential enough city territories which could be used by municipalities with other useful purposes. These territories are as well sources of secondary environmental pollution and subsoil waters. In a consequence for recultivation of such land\'s can be required essential financial assets. The project assumes: Creation of a website and accessible electronic database ecological dredging a know-how, practical knowledge and decisions, courses of improvement of professional skill for specialists of all dredging the related areas, organization of regular seminars, meetings and technical visitings among partners aspiring to an exchange of knowledge, examination and consultations in dredging.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>To advance development and an exchange of a professional knowledge's (scientific, technical, organizational) in all areas dredging, processing's and accommodations of the removed bottom sediments, balance of ecological and social and economic aspects dredging, to participate in perfection of national policies and guidelines in dredging and related matters, to encourage strengthening contacts between all interested professional participants and a society, to create accessible computer databases and to spread the most valuable examples of the decision of environmental problems, duplicating positive experience on a regional level, to strengthen dialogue between Russia and the EU in the field of preservation of the environment and sustainable development for more effective inclusion of Northwest Russia in regional strategy BSR of region.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>Wider integration between the research, business and governmental organizations in BSR, joint use of a know-how and experience of scientific and technological development. Finding of ways of the decision: # processing of sunken wood (sinker), biomass (algae) and garbage to be collected from the surface of the city bodies of water into various consumption goods; # processing of bottom sediments removed in the course of cleaning operations in the rivers and canals of city's into ecologically safe materials to be used in the construction of roads, construction sites, dams, etc.); # gradual liquidation of city's dumps intended for storage of bottom sediments. Decrease of risk of pollution of water area and the coastal land\'s of Baltic Sea. Wide extending of the qualitative information concerning all aspects dredging: researches, designing, the equipment, and management. Increase of awareness and knowledge of local authorities about problems of an environment and methods of their decision. Accessible computer database of modern dredging ecological technologies and practical decisions on processing waste products.</p>			
Partners found already	St.-Petersburg scientifically technical Center, AsEP (Ecological association of St.-Petersburg chamber of commerce and industry)		
Partners searched	Estonia, Latvia, all regions of BSR		
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	10/2004		

Project Title	WIQB -Improving the Quality of Drinking and Waste Water Operations in the Baltic Sea Region		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,,		
Project description			
Searching with core partners (water utilities of New Membership countries and Russia along the Baltic Sea Region) common problem areas. Looking for solutions and best practices. Focusing on developing methods and increasing efficiency in constructing, maintenance and renovation of water and sewer networks. Informing, listening and learning comments from environmental authorities and organisations. Improving drinking water aquisition and filtering methods. Improving sewage water treatment methods. Decreasing the pollution load of the Baltic Sea.			
Central objectives			
Problem solving of water utilities. Developing methods and increasing efficiency of renewing water and sewery networks. Increasing co-operation among partners and environmental authorities, organisations etc. Decreasing local and the Baltic Sea pollution.			
Expected benefits			
More efficient use of funds for renovating drinking and waste water filtering methods. Faster and more economical way of renewing water networks. Better and more reliable quality of drinking water. Efficient use of sludge. Less local pollution and decreasing pollution load of the Baltic Sea. Improving the co-operation between regional environmental authorities, organisations and water utilities.			
Partners found already			
Partners searched	Russia (St. Petersburg and Kaliningrad), Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland		
Estimated budget	1 million euros		
Date of filling-in the form	11/2004		

Project Title	Road of War and Peace and Carolean Route - A Joint Development and Marketing Project		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Cultural and natural heritage, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy),		
Project description			
The project will combine the prior efforts achieved in developing the Road of War and Peace and the Carolean history tourism routes. The idea is to further develop the routes and to perform a joint marketing campaign. The development work will include program services, route manager services and translation services. During the project the people working in the history tourism routes will familiarize themselves with the contents of each other's routes. The joint development and marketing project will improve the use of the cultural heritages in Finland, Norway and Sweden.			
Central objectives			
Creating a stable cooperation between the two history tourism routes. Further developing the quality of the routes. Joint marketing of the two history tourism routes. Saving resources through Nordic cooperation.			
Expected benefits			
Tourists will be served better when they can choose from a wider supply of history routes. A joint marketing project will more easily find a proper target group of tourists.			
Partners found already	Sävar Hembyggsförening, Umeå Sweden Naboer Ab, Östersund Sweden (a company owned by norwegian and swedish municipalities)		
Partners searched	We are interested to find partners from the Baltic Countries		
Estimated budget	1000 000 euroa		
Date of filling-in the form	12/2004		

Project Title	Baltic Euroregional Network (BEN)		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, Macroregional strategies,		
Project description			
<p>Project aims to develop and strenghten a network of euroregions in the Baltic Sea Region. Euroregions are important partners for national governments and international organisations in the regional planning activities as they represent the local and regional actors, they coordinate cooperation across the border and because border regions usually are peripheral and economically back-lacking. Project should enable euroregions to exchange their experiences and develop best practice examples through network meetings, seminars and special information tools.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To increase the role of Euroregions/CBC regions as active local partners in the process of regional development in the Baltic Sea Region (BSR); - To increase cooperation between Euroregions/CBC regions in BSR, and by this to contribute to the exchange of ideas and best practice examples; - To strengthen institutions of existing Euroregions and to increase administrative capacity of their members (local and regional authorities); 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development of strong network of Euroregions/CBC regions in BSR, ready to take active role in the process of regional and spatial planning; - development of administrative capacity of existing CBC structures and in local and regional authorities where Euroregions are yet not established; - increase of CBC activities in BSR; - increased dialog between CBC regions and national governments; 			
Partners found already	22 local, regional, national and international authorities and organisations from 9 Baltic Sea Region countries		
Partners searched			
Estimated budget	1 mln. EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2005		

Project Title	Promoting democratic planning for improving human wellbeing in different environments		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Polycentric settlement structure,Urban-urban/rural relationships,Coastal zones/islands and other specific areas		
Project description			
<p>The idea of this project came from the co-operation between Utajärvi municipality in Finland and twin municipality Muhu vald in Estonia. Both municipalities are interested in developing their healthcare and social services. The problem is how to promote human wellbeing by democratic planning in different environments. If people get proper healthcare and support, their wellbeing will be better and they will manage longer by themselves in their own homes. This is also an issue of economy. The environment has social, natural and constructed dimensions. Utajärvi is a municipality in northern Finland which is integrated into a sub-regional network. There the social and health services are planned together so that the resources of different kinds of municipalities and environments are taken into consideration. These experiences are valuable related to BSR area. Thus education and working with the development projects is needed to create new and better models for co-operation and services.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The aim of the project is to develop co-operation in a democratic way. Interprofessional networks both on local, regional, national and transnational level are needed. On local level, there will be regular meetings in which the staff and residents can tell their opinions about the services. There will transnational seminars where the staff of rural and urban areas can change their experiences and knowledge. The aim is also to develop feedback system with the help of which the quality of services is checked, e.g. collecting information by blank forms about the satisfaction with the services given to clients and patients. The project develops the social and health structures for the municipalities by themselves or together on regional level. Education helps the staff to create new models for arranging the services together on a step-by- step bases. Benchmarking between the countries will give ideas to each other</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>The project results in new models for interprofessional network meaning co-operation on the local level between residents, the staff and leaders, as well as regional and national co-operation including common services. Transnational value comes from the meetings in which people change their experiences of their development projects. They get new ideas how to plan their services. The outcome will be a feedback system giving information for promoting the services. The needs of residents give the direction for preventive work. The voluntary sector will be a part of the support services. An additional outcome will be people`s interest in planning their living environment together and their will to work for better wellbeing. People learn to influence their wellbeing and take part in decision making. Knowledge and new structures will be spread out. Knowledge and new structures will be spread out to other rural and urban areas. It is important to realize that the outcome will be able to be adapted to other kinds of environments as well. Knowledge and new structures will be spread out to other rural and urban areas.</p>			
Partners found already	Oulu Polytechnic, two municipalities in Finland (Utajärvi, Vaala). One municipality in Estonia (Muhu).		
Partners searched	Estonia, Latvia, Poland, Lithuania		
Estimated budget	350.000 €		
Date of filling-in the form	01/2005		

Project Title	A.S.A.P. - Efficient Administrative Structures as A Prerequisite for Successful Regional Development in Structurally Weaker Areas		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building, Polycentric settlement structure, ICT		
Project description			
<p>Administrative reforms are being implemented or planned in DE, DK, SE, LT, LV, EE, N. However, (1) there is insufficient transnational exchange of experience although considered as being possible and vital; (2) discussions on demographic change and utilisation of ICT for political and adm. processes as important backgrounds are little connected with the topic; (3) little consideration of specific demands of structurally weaker areas is inconsistent with their special need for effective public sector activities.</p> <p>The idea is, that transnational co-operation and "learning-by-doing" pilot projects based on internat. exchange of experience can help to find and implement effective solutions for structurally weaker areas. Special attention is paid to implementation/design of efficient adm. structures (WP 1); utilisation of ICT for adm.+political processes (WP 2), and strategies for meeting demogr. change (WP3).</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objectives are (1) to create a transnational platform for exchange of experience on administrative reforms among local, regional and national stakeholders, (2) to strengthen the consideration of opportunities/threats/needs arising from utilising advanced ICT for political and adm. processes and demographic change in adm. reforms, (3) to create new best practices in structurally weaker areas.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>WP 1: New approaches to a) organisational design of regional/local authorities b) implementation of administrative reforms based on transn. exchange of experience; WP 2: Creation of new best practices for a) political participation and b) providing adm. services by using ICT (e.g. pilot project "Improved paperless decision making for members of local councils");</p> <p>WP 3: Creating innovative and transferable strategies for a) provision of citizen-related infrastr. b) exploiting economic potentials of demogr. change (activities: e.g. economic promotion strategy for exploiting economic potentials of the target group 50+, in retail trade, housing market, tourism, local recreation).</p>			
Partners found already	Germany: Ludwigslust County (lead appl.), Ass. of Local Authorities Meckl-Vorp., Mini. of the Interior MV, Min. for Labour, Building and Reg. Dev. MV, Min. of the Interior of SH, Technologie-Region K.E.R.N. e.V., Kiel Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Schweden: SydSam, Skåne County Ass. of Local Auth., Latvia: Min. for Reg. Dev. and Local Auth., Zemgale Dev. Agency, City of Ozolnieki		
Partners searched	Partners from EE, LT, DK, PL, N (relevant ministries, associations of regional/local authorities, regional development agencies, counties, municipalities); for WP 3: Chambers of Commerce, further economic development institutions.		
Estimated budget	1,2 Mio EUR (July 2005 - Dec 2007)		
Date of filling-in the form	02/2005		

Project Title	Trans Baltic – Identity guided spatial transformation: the value of the invaluable		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,Macroregional strategies,Cultural and natural heritage		
Project description			
<p>Areas in the Baltic Sea Region are faced with a transformation process, which is probably is the most radical of what happened during the last 3000 years. The threats range from sparsely populated to urban fringe areas, employment decrease among rural population and loss of spatial distinctiveness. The TRANS BALTIC project aims at adjusting regional policies/strategies to deal with spatial transformation. Transnational co-operation should produce effective strategies on how to flexibly guide this transformation process, and how to translate problems into opportunities. The main focus lies on applying cross sector co-operation. Linking theme will be the quality of public space. The project will integrate the knowledge of specialists, generalists and stakeholders towards mutual complementarity.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The overall objective of TRANS BALTIC is to develop an identity based policy and decision making approach in the field of spatial development and innovations on regional and local policy level. The partnership will work out a joint approach towards sustainable spatial innovation, based on the principle of vital identity expression.</p> <p>Partners will work out a shared perspective on the value of vital identity expression. On that basis, they will explore the potential of spatial identity as a motor of social and economic prosperity and liveability.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>A. Results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> &#61485; inventory and mutual transfer of relevant national / regional current practise &#61485; development of joint approach, current practise serving as a starting point &#61485; set-up and realisation of demonstration projects to bring joint approach into practise &#61485; establishment of 'Identity Ateliers' as institutional and operational regional development &#61485; new administration arrangements &#61485; policy recommendations <p>B. Long term impact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> &#61485; economic stimulation on identity basis &#61485; sense of shared responsibility on public and civic level &#61485; capacity building (public and private partners) &#61485; territorial development strategies based on identity approach &#61485; improved trans-sector co-operation &#61485; contribution to national and EU spatial development policies 			
Partners found already	Technical University of Denmark (DTU) Yet talking with several Danish and Polish municipalities		
Partners searched	Partner in Estonia		
Estimated budget	3.500.000		
Date of filling-in the form	03/2005		

Project Title	Effective Cross-Border Business Promotion Network		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	ICT, Institution building, Business environment		
Project description			
<p>The proposed project promotes development of co-operation of three cross border regions - Vidzeme (Latvia, Tartu (Estonia), Pskov (Russia). The challenge of the project is creation of Online Business Directory in four languages containing information about companies in different sectors, products, services as well as legislation on border-crossing issues, customs, entrepreneurship in order to give the necessary support to companies and strengthen the co-operation between Chambers of Commerce, local authorities, customs authorities, individual companies.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The central objectives are (1) to create a transnational platform (Online Business Directory) for exchange of information on different sectors, products, services between local authorities, business promotion organizations and companies, (2) to strengthen the consideration of opportunities/threats/needs arising from different administrative barriers and legislation, (3) to promote cross-border co-operation on EU-Russia border by involving private and public sectors.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>1. Online Business Directory which will include information on companies, products and services in Latvia, Estonia and Russia as well as legislation on international trade, customs and other administrative barriers. 2. Better exchange of information between all actual and potential players of cross-border co-operation by using innovative approach (ICT, Online Business Directory). 3. Ability of Chambers of Commerce as well as other business promotion organizations and regional authorities, to give the necessary support to companies in particular regions. 4. Development of tasks and guidances for local authorities in order to minimize the negative impacts arising from administrative barriers and legislation. 5. Platform for further expansion of co-operation between BSR countries and regions in Russia.</p>			
Partners found already	Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Pskov Region, Russia		
Partners searched	Latvia, Estonia, Russia		
Estimated budget	1 mio EUR		
Date of filling-in the form	03/2005		

Project Title	Developing eco and agro tourism in Smorgon-Belarus.		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Cultural and natural heritage, Specific sectors: (tourism & energy), Institution building		
Project description			
<p>We are planning to start eco and argo tourism in our region with our neighbours (we are living 90 km from Vilnius and 200 km from Daugavpils) from Latvia and Lithuania.</p> <p>We have 20 hectar of land which belongs to the boarding school ,techniques ,3 summer houses near the river and lake and personnel and the idea is to support our pupils who are social orphans with new tools and skills how to survive in the maket economy. Through the cooperation and collaboration teachers, pupils will learn more how to deal with these issues.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *establish cooperation and collaboration with possible partners from Baltic states in the field of eco-agro tourism *learn from them how to evaluate the idea *involve our teachers and pupils-social orphans to get new skills and tools how to deal with issue *teach pupils with new professions useful in the market economy and realted to eco-agro tourism *develope our cultural traditions and customs and show to the rest of Europe our history and way of life, traditions 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *teachers will get new knowledge about intrernational cooperation and collaboration and market economy values *pupils will get new skills and tools , professions for survival after the finishing boarding school *new experience in cross border collaboration in our joining Europe in the nearest future *boarding school could earn some money for own development and support social orphans *our culture and traditions will be better understood of our partners and europeans 			
Partners found already	We are isolated in Europe , so we do not know possible partners because lack of contacts		
Partners searched	We would like to work together with partners who have some experience in eco-agro-tourism and working with our target group-social orphans and teachers		
Estimated budget	30 000 euro		
Date of filling-in the form	03/2005		

Project Title	Sustainable frameworks for co-operation		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,,		
Project description			
<p>In order to maintain and sustain the already established cooperation between partners in the BALTIC+ area, a more stable and institutionalised framework for cooperation needs to be established in order to support and clarify preconditions for cooperation among stakeholders and actors. Therefore, a new constellation of decision-makers is needed: a Regional Conference could include both public and private actors. Key actor groups could be the regional and municipal administrations, business actors, universities and non governmental organisations (NGO:s).</p> <p>The project will organise a sustainable framework for the continued political and strategic level of co-operation within the BALTIC+ Strategic Area. The main activity will be to organise the 3:rd Regional Conference (the BALTIC+ Final Conference is the 2:nd) during 2006, and meetings for the BALTIC+ Political Committee. In addition there will be organised a (small) number of "strategic" seminars/workshops in order to promote/organise sustainable networks for co-operation within particular fields, such as farmers organisations or associations of enterprises. For this, a small "virtual" secretariat will be organised.</p> <p>A more substantial arena for organisation-to-organisation contacts and networking will be organised, for example between farmer federations and producers within the field of farming (for example: bioenergy, slaughterhouses). The aim is to develop and share knowledge and create sustainable contacts and co-operation between interest organisations.</p>			
Central objectives			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Establish a permanent body for co-operation on political and strategic level in the southern Baltic Sea Area – a Regional Conference for key stakeholders. · Create arenas for contacts and networking organisation-to-organisation, mainly between NGO:s. 			
Expected benefits			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Sustainable co-operation between key political and other actors on strategic level. · Better co-ordination of development strategies and actions on local, regional and transnational level. 			
Partners found already			
Partners searched			
Estimated budget			
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	CABA Clean Air for Valtic Cities		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Institution building,Transport,Urban-urban/rural relationships		
Project description			
<p>The EU Directives 96/62 and 99/30 require air quality management and if necessary also action plans. Article 7 :„Action plans ...in case of exceeding the values...if necessary...restrict activities which cause air quality problems -including transport,,</p> <p>The implementation of the Directives in the different member states shows big differences and many uncertainties about the principles and necessary actions. Especially the transport sector has severe impacts – but is economically and politically extremely sensitive.</p> <p>There is a big need to exchange intensively the experience between the member states around the Baltic Sea area. The Cities in the old member states in Scandinavia and Germany are forerunners, but face as well problems of air quality. The Cities in the new member states face a multiple dilemma - the higher pollution level may lead to drastic restriction for cars and especially for heavy duty vehicles.</p>			
Central objectives			
<p>The CABA project will help to establish proper measurement systems, to develop more efficient procedures in developing related to transport adequate actions and assessment of measures. A special focus has to be put on the participation of citizens (as required by the Directives). Some pilot actions will be included in the project to be used for gaining more experience for all partner sites.</p> <p>The project partners will continuously exchange the experience in the development and implementation of plans and related actions – in particular the political acceptance, acceptance by citizens and business, impacts on air quality level etc.</p>			
Expected benefits			
<p>the project will enable a better implementation of the EU Directives 96/62 and 99/30. With efficient measures, the need for access restrictions can be reduced or eliminated. The accessibility is a core element for economic development. . The project wil lead to more efficient processes in developing air quality management plans and action plans – and will support the participation of citizens. Showcase measures will inspire the political process and lead to broader acceptance of necessary measures in the sensitive field of transport.</p>			
Partners found already	City of Bremen, City of Stockholm, City of Gothenburg, Union of Baltic Cities		
Partners searched	major cities with the necessariy for air quality management plans in Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia,		
Estimated budget	1.2 mio €		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		

Project Title	Bread and Fish		
Priority	3 - Promotion of institution building, strengthening transnational spatial development		
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Thematic keywords	Cultural and natural heritage, Institution building, Urban-urban/rural relationships		
Project description			
<p>„Bread and Fish“ is a maritime communication project for the BSR. It aims at public awareness for the protection of the Baltic Sea, particularly over-fertilization and over-exploitation. The communication process takes places on local and regional level as well as on an international level. It focusses to annual Bread-and-Fish-Festivals with B&F-markets to the benefit of regional products and sustainable production of „Bread“ and „Fish“ and rural tourism. The initiative to these B&F-Festivals is thought to be taken by churches of all confessions in the BSR in close cooperation</p>			
Central objectives			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Creating annual Bread-and-Fish- festivals and -markets as firmly established cultural events with a corporate design radiating from the ports and cathedrals in the Hanseatic cities to an increasing number of cities, towns and villages around the Baltic Sea; public awareness. 2. Creating new (B&F-)networks between the academic and business communities, associations, administrations, NGOs, churches and culture regional and international 3. Enhancing sustainable agriculture, fisheries and tourism in the regions 4. New impulses for the social debate on sustainable development, for example by creating an interdisciplinary half annual magazine „Bread and Fish“, workshops etc. 			
Expected benefits			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Public awareness about problems in fisheries, agriculture and protection of the sea. 2. New alliances and concrete cooperation between different social groups. 3. Protection of the sea by fostering sustainable agriculture and fisheries 4. Identitybuilding in / for the BSR 			
Partners found already	Several NGOs, municipalities, churches and churchgroups, research institutes and universities in different countries have announced their interest in participation.		
Partners searched	Professional associations for sustainable fisheries and agriculture, (environmental) NGOs, Churches, Universities, touristagencies etc, who are open for cooperation in the above mentioned sense, particularly with a basis in the bigger Hanseatic Cities (ports, cathedrals ...)		
Estimated budget	Not yet estimated.		
Date of filling-in the form	05/2005		