

Strengthening the EU Agenda for Baltic Sea Cooperation

Tuesday, 29 November 2005

From 14.00 to 17.00

European Parliament, Brussels, meeting room A1E-1

- 14.00–14.20 Opening of the seminar:
- Europe's Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region
Mr. Christopher Beazley, MEP, Chairman of the Baltic Europe Intergroup
- Role of Non-state Actors in Baltic Sea Cooperation
Mr. Esa Kokkonen, Director, the Baltic Institute of Finland
- 14.20-14.50 Baltic Sea Environmental Cooperation: Current Challenges and Prospects
for the Future
*Dr. Tapani Kohonen, Counsellor for International Affairs,
Ministry of the Environment of Finland*
- Commentary by Ms. Satu Hassi, MEP*
- 14.50–15.20 Northwest Russian Perspective on Baltic Sea Cooperation and the
Northern Dimension
Ms. Tatiana Romanova, St. Petersburg State University
- Commentary by Mr. Alexander Stubb, MEP*
- 15.20–15.50 State of the Region 2005: Competitiveness and Cooperation in the Baltic
Sea Region
*Dr. Christian Ketels, Institute of Strategy and Competitiveness, Harvard Business
School; Center for Strategy and Competitiveness, Stockholm School of Economics*
- 15.50-16.10 Baltic Development Forum Update
Mr. Adam Kanne and Mr. Jørgen P.T. Christensen, Baltic Development Forum
- 16.10-16.20 Polish perspective on Baltic Sea Cooperation and the Northern Dimension
*Mr. Jozef Wiejacz, Department of the European Union, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Poland*
- 16.20-17.00 Discussion

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