



# A NEW START AFTER REVISION AND PANDEMIC

Bringing the key implementers together in Stockholm

Meeting on 6 and 7 September 2022 in Stockholm

**Time** 6 September 11.00 to 18.00 and dinner  
7 September 09.00 to 15.30

**Venue** Quality Globe Hotel, Stockholm

## PROGRAMME

### 6 September

10.30 **Registration and coffee**

11.00 **Welcome with presentation of the Swedish Presidency programme**

*Carolina Bjuggren Glanville, Deputy Head of EU Coordination Secretariat, Prime Minister's Office*

11.15 **Who is who and reflections of the development of the Strategy**

Participants briefly introduce themselves, first in smaller groups around the tables and then together reflecting on the steps of development in the Strategy since 2009.

12.00 **Implementation of Macro-Regional Strategies**

The focus of the Swedish Presidency is on implementation. After several years of Internal work on drafting the new Action Plan and later to put the governance structure in place we now shift focus to implementation.

Colleagues from the Interact Programme will share their experiences from working with all four Macro-Regional Strategies (MRS) providing us with an input to a discussion among us all focusing on MRS added values.

*Baiba Liepa and Ilze Ciganska, Interact Programme*

12.30 Lunch

13.30 **Implementation of Macro-Regional Strategies**

Further inputs and discussions.

14.00 **Implementation of EUSBSR - reflections**

In four groups we reflect on the inputs made by Interact. Together we discuss how to deliver on MRS added values. We invite you to share experiences on the different parts of implementation, such as implementation formats, how to engage different groups of stakeholders, how to align funding, and develop structures for monitoring and evaluation on the indicators and targets set out in the Action Plan.

- 14.00 **NC-group meeting**  
In parallel, the National Coordinators hold their own meeting together with representatives from DG REGIO. They join the other groups after their meeting.
- 16.00 Coffee
- 16.30 **Implementation of EUSBSR - reflections**  
Continued discussions in four groups. Now with the National Coordinators joining the groups.
- 17.30 **Summarizing the discussions in groups**  
Reflecting on the discussions we have had in groups.
- 18.00 **Closure Day 1**
- 19.00 Buffet dinner at Quality Globe Hotel

## 7 September

- 09.00 **Welcome to day 2**  
Reflecting on what we discussed and learnt yesterday.
- 09.15 **Funding**  
Information on funding opportunities. Introducing some of the programmes: ERDF, ESF+, Interreg BSR and Swedish institute.
- 10.15 **Implementation of EUSBSR – together developing methods**  
Introducing the four topics to be discussed in working groups. Participants choose which group they like to be part of. The groups, if there is an interest will continue working independently and hold online reflections when relevant. The groups will report when we meet again in this group of NCs and PACs in spring 2023.  
A. Implementation formats  
B. Funding  
C. Stakeholder engagement  
D. Monitoring and evaluation
- 10.30 Coffee
- 11.00 **Working in groups**
- 12.30 Lunch  
*Separate lunch for NCG for internal discussions*
- 13.30 **Can EUSBSR contribute to the support of Ukraine?**
- 14.30 **Sharing information on major events the coming year**  
We invite participants to inform on major events of general interest in the coming year. For example, conferences or forums where participation from this group would be appreciated. Information on the Annual Forum in Lappeenranta.
- 15.30 **Closure and coffee to go** (or stay for those in no rush)

