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**Ref: ODIN-Net – approval under conditions letter**

Dear **Øystein Leonardsen,**

The BSR INTERREG III B Steering Committee made decisions on approval of project applications of the sixth call for project proposals at its meeting in Hamburg on 10/12/2004.

For your early information we are pleased to let you know that the Steering Committee has approved the project **“Opportunities and Development of Infrastructure between the Nordic main cities - net”** and the project will be co-financed by the BSR INTERREG III B Programme with a maximum amount of **EUR 303,076.72 (EUR 261,018.00 from ERDF and EUR 42,058.72 from Norwegian national funding).**

Please note that the funding from the BSR INTERREG III B Programme is based on the condition that national co-financing to the project amounting to **EUR 359.155,00 (EUR 261.018,00 of National co-financing from EU Member States, EUR 98.137,00 of Norwegian regional co-financing)** will be made available.

The project has been approved under the following condition(s):

1. The link to the TEN as well as to regional and local transport networks should be justified and explained.
2. The links and possible synergy effects with the on-going macro-region projects (eg STRING, Four Corners and Baltic+) and Baltic Gateway should be further elaborated and the complementary value described. It must be ensured that there is no duplication of work already done, but rather that the projects complement each other.
3. During the project implementation the German partners should be invited to cooperate.

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4. The description of project objectives, consistency of the action plan (activities and methodology) as well as quality and durability of the outcomes must be improved, paying a particular attention to explaining the transnational working arrangements. In this improved description the project should in particular demonstrate how the spatial development dimension from local & regional level will be integrated in the activities (e.g. city networking, regional potentials and application of SEA). Also other shortcomings pointed out in the assessment report must also be properly addressed.
5. Given the strong emphasis on research and knowledge production, it is strongly recommended, that the partnership should subcontract relevant transport research institutes as well as transport operators to ensure the representation of the relevant target groups. The institutions that will be approached should be specified.
6. The financial setup of the project must be justified, in particular the high budget for project coordination, as well as the financial involvement of the individual partners vis-à-vis their role in the project needs clarification.
7. The transnational working arrangements in the project need thorough rethinking and strengthening. It needs to be demonstrated what the role of each partner is in the project, and other partners than the Lead Partner should consider taking the responsibility for certain work packages.

In the coming days the Joint Secretariat will crosscheck the project application again in terms of fulfilment of legal preconditions (e.g. eligibility of final beneficiaries and the defined expenditure, description of the project rationale and action plan, etc.). You will soon receive a letter that will precisely explain the above listed conditions that will need to be fulfilled as well as request from you to provide possible relevant clarifications regarding your project. Please note that this crosscheck might result in relevant adjustments in the project setup.

**The project should not initiate any activities in the project before the final approval of the conditions is made.**

The Steering Committee's decision will be legally effected through the subsidy contract that will be submitted to the lead partner as soon as the above-mentioned procedure is satisfactorily completed.

Page 3 We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to an information seminar for lead partners of approved projects, which will take place in **Rostock on 13 January 2005**. In relation to the Lead Partner seminar we would like to offer you the opportunity to meet with us on the individual basis to discuss the conditions that were set for your project as well as clarify unclear issues in your project application form. The official invitation and the practical information as regards the meetings had been attached to this letter.

For more information feel free to contact Roman Kozlowski (tel: +49 381 45484 5294).

On behalf of the Chairman of the BSR INTERREG III B Steering Committee

Yours sincerely,

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