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– Growth and Development
in the Baltic Sea Region



Welcome to the B7 Annual
Conference 2005

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The B7 Gotland Chairmanship welcomes you to a conference on the growth and development in the Baltic Sea Region (BSR).

Date: 1 December 2005

Venue: Wisby Hotell, Gotland

The Chairmanship invites politicians, civil servants, persons working with regional development issues from the B7 islands, together with representatives from Baltic Sea organisations.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss the development in the BSR in a broad perspective - from regional development, business issues, labour market issues and culture as a factor for growth.

Our ambition is for an interactive event where invited speakers give the foundation for discussions. The moderator will be encouraging the islands to present their views.

We hope you will also join us for the reception for early arrivals on the 30 November at Bildstenshallen in Visby and Conference dinner in the evening.

If you have any questions concerning the conference please do not hesitate to contact the B7 Secretariat.



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Programme

Wednesday 30 November

19.00 Reception for Early Arrivals
Refreshments and Entertainment
Bildstenshallen, Strandgatan 14

Thursday 1 December

09.00 – 09.10 *Welcome*
County Mayor of Gotland and Chairperson
of the B7 Steering Committee
Mr. Jan Lundgren

09.10 – 09.20 *Moderator Introduction*
Programme and goals
EU Consultant, former Member of
the European Parliament
Mr. Göran Färm

09.20 – 10.20 *BSR Development and State of Affairs
– an Historical Overview*
Former Prime Minister of Sweden
Mr. Ingvar Carlsson
Representative from the Swedish Parliament,
Committee on Foreign Affairs (tbc)

10.20 – 10.50 Coffee

10.50 – 11.30 *Economic Development in the BSR
– Growth, Competition and Trade*
Senior Economist, Föreningssparbanken
Mr. Jörgen Kennemar

11.30 – 13.00 Lunch



Thursday 1 December

- 13.00 – 13.45 *Competence and Human Resources in
the BSR President, SACO Swedish
Confederation of Professional Associations*
Ms Anna Ekström
- 13.45 – 14.30 *Culture as a Motor for Growth*
Director General, Swedish National
Council for Cultural Affairs
Ms Kristina Rennerstedt
- 14.30 – 15.00 *Closing Remarks and Conclusions*
Mr. Göran Färm
- 15.00 Coffee
- 19.30 Buffet Dinner
Almedalsbiblioteket, Cramérgatan 5
Hosted by Chairperson of
the Municipal Council,
Mr. Claes-Göran Nilsson

Practical

Date 1 December 2005
Start Thursday 09.00
End Thursday 22.00
Venue Wisby Hotell, Spegelsalen

Registration Please register for the conference using the form. The registration form does not constitute travel or accommodation. Please consult your local travel agency for travel arrangements and Gotlands Affärsresor for hotel reservations.

Accommodation Hotel rooms are reserved preliminarily at Wisby Hotell, situated right in the middle of Visby medieval town. A single room is SEK 1264. Accommodation in other price ranges is also available. To book a room, please contact Ms Lena Slesgård before 4 November and state that you are a participant with the B7 Annual Conference and she will assist you.

**Book before
4th of November**

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www.destinationgotland.se
By air from Bromma or Arlanda – several departures each day.
www.skyways.se or www.gotlandsflyg.se

Interpretation The conference language will be English.

Registration Form

The Chairmanship is grateful for your registration on this form as soon as possible, 4th of November at the latest.

Please send it by e-mail b7@gotland.se or fax +46 498 26 90 52 to the B7 Secretariat.

Title _____

Name _____

Company/Organisation _____

Address _____

Country _____

Telephone _____

Mobile _____

Day of Arrival _____

Special requests _____

Early Arrivals

Would you be interested in participating at the reception 30 November for early arrivals?

Yes

No

