

	Subregional cooperation, Regional Policy							
Projects	Working bodies	Area of activities	Projects	Baltic Sea States Subregional Cooperation (BSSSC)	Barents Regional Council, Barents Regional Committee			Northern CSO on regional policy
				Development of subregional interaction, advancement of regions' interests at the national and Pan-European levels	Promotion of regions' interests at the national and international levels, including within the framework of BEAC			Among others – development of Arctic
				Baltic Euroregional Network Project (BEN) – support for joint projects of various border actors (implemented jointly by CBSS and NCM); Creativity Across Borders Project – development of entrepreneurship in the creative sphere in border areas (implemented by BEN)				Baltic Euroregional Network Project (BEN) - support for joint projects of various border actors (implemented jointly by CBSS and NCM)

<p>Economy</p>	<p>Working bodies</p>	<p>Business Advisory Council (BAC, from 2009 – strategic partner, previously – CBSS advisory body)</p>	<p>Working Group on Economic Cooperation (WGEC) (intergovernmental, including Forest Sector Task Force), Working Group on Investments and Economic Cooperation (regional), *- Working Group on Indigenous Peoples *- Working Group on Tourism</p>		<p>CSO for Agriculture, CSO on Fishing and Water, CSO on Food, CSO on Forest Management (+ corresponding executive committee and CSOs with participation of Baltic Sea states), Nordic CSO on Fishing Policy, Nordic CSO on Entrepreneurship and Energy, Nordic CSO on Economic Issues, Nordic CSO on Regional Policy(?)</p>
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	Area of activities		<p>WGEC – development of cooperation (including trade liberalization, development of cross-border activities, involvement of business, exchange of technologies, special economic zones)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - analysis of the global crisis impact on the region - dissemination of information on potential of the region - cooperation with AC, CBSS, etc. - creation of conditions for the development of forestry <p>WG on Indigenous Peoples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - involvement of indigenous population in business activities (in traditional areas); <p>WG on Investments and Economic Cooperation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - assessment of infrastructure - recommendations for authorities relating to the investment climate - establishment of relations between authorities and small, medium and large-scale enterprises - dissemination of information - stimulation of trans-border activities of small and medium enterprises; 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - issues relating to the impact of globalization on the region, - innovations, overcoming of trade barriers and development of the freedom of movement, - exchange of experience
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	<p>Projects</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * - SPIN – Sustainable Production through Innovation in Small and Medium Enterprises (organized by "Baltic-21") * - "Visions and strategies of integrated development of the Baltic sea region countries for 2010" (VASAB-2010) – support and coordination of subregional networks of cooperation, strategic spatial planning 	<p>Murmansk International Economic Forum (15-17 October 2009)</p>	<p>Social and economic projects following the results of studies "Oil and Gas Assessment" and "Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment"</p>	

Transport			Steering committee for the Barents Euro-Arctic Pan-European Transport Area (BEATA)	Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response (EPPR) Working group	
Working bodies	Area of activities		<p>BEATA Steering committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -creating conditions for the establishment of an effective transport system in the region; - study of the most effective ways for the development of transport corridors in the region <p>WG on communications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - implementation of recommendations contained in the 1997 Report (development of shipment networks, establishment of the Barents Shipment Company, launch of trans-boundary passenger transportation); - interaction with BEATA Steering Committee <p>Project "Sustainable transport in the Barents region"</p>	Transport security (especially maritime)	
	Projects			Social and economic project following the results of the study "Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment" (2009)	

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Modern technologies, IT, innovations			Energy
			Baltic Sea States Energy Cooperation (BASREC), meetings of Ministers of Energy, "Baltic-21"
* - Working group on indigenous population	Working group on indigenous population: - development of mass media in the languages of indigenous peoples, in Russian		Working group on energy (joint) * - Forest Sector Task Force
			Emergency Prevention, Preparedness and Response (EPPR) Working group
"Nordic initiative on electronic sciences" with the prospects of establishment of an appropriate Nordic Committee	Development and introduction of modern technologies in different areas of life, including the creation of networks; modern electronic technologies as a science and their use in science		CSO on Entrepreneurship and Energy

	Area of activities	<p>BASREC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promotion of harmonization of cooperation in the field of energy between the CBSS member-states, - elimination of barriers on the way to creation of a common gas and electric power market with a continued focus on environmental issues 	<p>WG on energy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - coordination with other initiatives; - Kyoto process; - development of bio-energy at the North-West of Russia, strengthening of the efficiency of energy production, distribution and consumption; - promotion of project financing; - information and communication support of work of experts <p>Forest Sector Task Force:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - development of the bio-energy technologies 	<p>Security of oil and gas production and transportation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - promotion of energy efficiency, - development of energy infrastructure, - development of the renewable energy sources
	Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * - Project on the development of bio-energy in the Baltic sea region (implemented by "Baltic-21") 	<p>Transfer of enterprises and municipal services to environmentally friendly fuels, energy efficiency, introduction of renewable types of energy</p>	<p>Social and economic project following the results of the study "Oil and Gas Assessment" (2008), Arctic Energy Summit, Project on awareness-raising of local and indigenous population about oil, gas and minerals</p>	<p>Projects on the development of wind energy (in the Baltic states, Russia)</p>
Health care and social development	Working bodies		<p>Working group on Health and Related Social Issues (joint), * - Working group of Indigenous Peoples</p>		

	Area of activities	<p>Combating infectious diseases, prevention of life-style diseases, improvement of the system of basic healthcare and social services, youth issues;</p> <p>Working Group of Indigenous Peoples: healthcare (including development of mobile healthcare services) and promoting healthy life-style of indigenous population</p>		
	Projects	<p>Cooperation program on health and related social issues 2008-2011, sub-program "Children and youth at risk"; interaction with the Northern Dimension and its partnerships</p>	<p>"Survey of living conditions in the Arctic" (SLICA), "Arctic social indicators" (ASDI), ECONOR-I, II, ArcticStat etc. – collection of data on demographics and other social measures. Social and economic projects as a follow-up to the studies "Oil and Gas Assessment" and "Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment", Telemedicine project, health risk reduction project "The Arctic human health initiatives", Drug and alcohol treatment project</p>	Interaction with the BEAC

Labour Resources		Baltic Sea Trade Union Network (BASTUN, CBSS strategic partner)		The Nordic Committee of Senior Officials for Labor
Ethnical policy		<p>Support of communication and coordination of national trade unions</p> <p>Working Group of Indigenous Peoples (WGIP), Barents Indigenous Peoples Office (BIPO)</p> <p>WGIP: development of entrepreneurship; languages and mass media; public health and related social issues; environment and environmental management; culture; political cooperation and representation; -consulting of BEAC and BRC; BIPO: support communication, develop cooperation, foster indigenous peoples' activity and their institutions in Murmansk Region, Karelia, Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous Okrug</p>	<p>Indigenous Peoples Secretariat</p> <p>Promotion of cooperation between Associations of Indigenous Peoples of the North</p>	<p>- Issues of employment, working conditions, employer – employee relations, work-force mobility</p> <p>Nordic CSO for Regional Policy in the Northern Dimension</p>

		A number of projects on the preservation of languages and cultural traditions, craft development	"Reindeer herding, traditional knowledge and adaptation to climate change and loss of grazing land" (EALAT) – collection of information related to climate change, changes in reindeer herding societies and application of reindeer herders' knowledge (2009-2011)	
		Indigenous peoples, environment, sustainable development, social and economic development (including children, youth), cross-border cooperation, transport, energy, advancement of the region in the global context	Environmental protection, marine environment, emergency situations, public health, indigenous peoples	Climate change issues, energy, social well-being
		Projects on cooperation development		Research projects
		Cooperation of law-enforcement agencies, social protection (children, youth), economy, cross-border cooperation, sustainable development		
Priority areas		Current activities, expert cooperation		Coordination, direct cooperation, evaluation projects
Common modalities				

<p>Joint interest</p>	<p>CBSS-BEAC</p>	<p>BEAC Working Groups on education and research (regional), energy (mixed), culture (mixed), customs cooperation (intergovernmental); youth policy (intergovernmental), youth issues (regional), tourism (mixed) CBSS Expert Group on customs cooperation, Baltic 21, BASREC, project "Creativity Across Borders" Thus: border crossing and cross-border cooperation, environmental protection, environmentally sound energy, children and youth policies, culture, emergency situations</p>		
<p>BEAC-AC</p>		<p>Issues on indigenous peoples, social well-being, public health and promotion of rights of indigenous peoples, environmental protection (joint projects already exist), emergency situations</p>		
<p>CBSS-AC</p>		<p>Baltic Sea Monitoring Group on cultural heritage cooperation and a potential Norwegian project on cultural heritage monuments; EGNRS and projects on nuclear materials; emergency situations</p>		

	All regional councils	Environmental protection Public health and social protection, including children and youth Economic development at the grass roots level Emergency situations Infrastructure Border crossing Energy Sustainable development Cultural heritage
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Abbreviations: CSO – Committee of Senior Officials, PC – Preparatory Committee, WG – Working Group, EG – Expert Group