





A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area

Specific objectives

- Enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies
- Reaping the benefits of digitisation for citizens, companies and governments



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Enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies

The main thematic approaches:

- Innovations
- Cross border cooperation for regional development
- Development of sustainable utilization of natural resources





A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area - Innovations

- Industrial symbiosis
- Process industry
- Circular economy
- Energy efficiency
- Renewable fuel
- Space research
- Skills







- Diversification
- Networks
- Regional priorities
- Indigenous people
- Traditional livelihoods





A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area - Development of sustainable utilization of natural resources

- Blue and green economy
- Nature based economy
- Responsible economy
- Smart societies





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Reaping the benefits of digitisation for citizens, companies and governments

The main thematic approaches:

- The digital shift
- Digitisation of the public sector
- Digitisation as a tool for micro, small and medium sized enterprises
- Digital inclusion, equal access to digital services and events





A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area -The digital shift

- Remote working
- Safe and secure digital environments
- Remote e-learning
- Work/living place hybrid solutions
- Smart transport solutions





A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area - Digitisation of the public sector

- eHealth
- virtual reality and virtual twins
- ICT solutions
- e-services





A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area -Digitisation as a tool for micro, small and medium sized enterprises

- e-Commerce
- e-Business
- digital innovation hubs
- uptake of new digital tools





A skilled, smart and innovative Kolarctic area -Digital inclusion, equal access to digital services and events

- Access to new digital services
- Virtual reality
- Improve digital skills
- Improving access to high speed internet









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Welcome to the session on "A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area"

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Kolarctic area

Specific objectives

- Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, and resilience, taking into account ecosystem based approaches
- Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution

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Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, and resilience, taking into account eco-system based approaches

The main thematic approaches:

- Climate related floods and landslides
- Climate related fires
- Other climate related risks
- Non-climate related risks





A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area - Climate related floods and landslides

- Awareness of risks
- Cooperation on flood control and water management
- Exchange of knowledge and information
- Risk reduction methods
- Risk monitoring systems



A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area - Climate related fires

- Exchange of knowledge and information
- Risk reduction methods
- Cross border risk monitoring systems
- Best practices
- Systems for coordinated trainings



A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area -Other climate related risks

- Testing of solutions, systems and innovations
- Methods that support traditional livelihoods
- Networks between researchers and public/private actors
- Awareness raising
- New cross border solutions for search and rescue





- Mapping of contamination risks and erosion
- Support to vulnerable groups
- Information spreading
- Improving preparedness
- Exchange of best practices
- Advanced technologies to predict and mitigate accidents



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Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution

The main thematic approaches:

- Restoration and protection of the nature
- Local communities
- Endangered and invasive species







- Rehabilitation of contaminated land
- Landscape restoration
- Monitoring of resources
- Ecologically sustainable management of natural resources
- Restoration of damaged ecosystems
- Cooperation between nature reserves



A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area -Local communities

- Increase the knowledge, experience and engagement
- Exchange of best practises
- Networking



A green, responsible and resilient Kolarctic area -Endangered and invasive species

- Green infrastructure
- Cross-border management
- Monitoring methods
- Awareness raising
- In-situ protection activities







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Welcome to the session on "Connected and inclusive societies for sustainable development of the Kolarctic area"



- Facilitator: Eilen Zakariassen
- Moderators: Kairi Pääsuke and Julia Korshunova





Better cooperation governance

 People to people actions for trust building

 Cooperation across Arctic programmes and support Barents cooperation framework (Not decided, currently under discussion in the Programme Committee)

People to people actions for trust building

- The ambition of the programme is to bring people together.
- This can be achieved for example by empowering local communities through socioeconomic integration and inclusion activities.







People to people actions for trust building

 Trust building can be enhanced through projects involving youth and children, sports, indigenous peoples, education, social inclusion, health services, twin municipals etc.

 Actors can be several types of civil society organisations, schools, municipals, associations and more







Cooperation across Arctic programmes and support Barents cooperation framework

- Cross-border cooperation between projects within Arctic cooperation.
- Support Barents Cooperation through activities which are enhancing quality in cross-border cooperation
- Important note: exactly how this will be implemented in the program has not been finally decided by the Programming Committee





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Welcome to the session on

"An attractive, vibrant and culturally diverse Kolarctic area"

- Facilitator: Kairi Pääsuke
- Moderators: Julia Korshunova and Maiju Jolma-Taylor

An attractive, vibrant and culturally diverse Kolarctic area







Recovery > re-establish





Investment components possible up to the 2,5 MEUR per project

An attractive, vibrant and culturally diverse Kolarctic area



The main thematic approaches:

> Sustainable and inclusive tourism





Sustainable and inclusive tourism

- By delivering experiences that meet and exceed the client's expectations, the interest in traveling to the region, both from within the EU and beyond, will increase.
- Increase the product development, (cross- sectoral and cross-border)
- Enhance the quality of the tourism products
- Diversification and increased inclusiveness in tourism sector
- Increased accessibility



Sustainable and inclusive tourism



The attractiveness of the region can be increased by preserving, revitalising and developing remote communities, which has a strong intangible cultural heritage e.g., through tourism, support of small local businesses and local communities involvement into cross-border activities. Those actions should be made through cross-border networking.



Creative industry, intangible culture and cultural heritage



The Kolarctic regions has, in many ways, a rich various and unique culture and cultural heritage and the programme has intentions to support. By exchanging competence in art and culture, facilitating artistic and culture value, enhancing the Kolarctic programme region cultural attractiveness and readiness for the internationalization.





Creative industry, intangible culture and cultural heritage

- Joint product development
- Joint art platforms and networks
- Protection and promotion of indigenous languages, livelihoods and ways of living
- Enhanced
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 e.g., new technologies





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