Proposals for the UBC General Conference (Drafted in joint UBC Commission meeting 18.11 2010 in Turku. Present: UBC Commissions on Education, Energy, Environment and Urban Planning)

Main theme: "20 YEARS OF BUILDING SUCCESSFUL SUSTAINABLE BALTIC CITIES"

- UBC has existed in 20 years! The decisions concerning goals, strategies and principles for UBC when establishing UBC 20 years ago were highly successful. UBC is a success story!
- The first day should start with inspiration and innovation. A huge development has taken place and UBC should focus on the next step of the development!
- Content wise the first day could be related to the focus points of the UBC Strategy and UBC
 Sustainable Development Action Programme 2010 2015 and EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea
 Region
- The reports from the commissions should be put available only on written format (reports or posters) if the UBC statue does not specifically require oral presentations.

PROPOSAL FOR UBC GENERAL CONFERENCE STRUCTURE 1st Day MORNING

Plenary Session - Inspiration and Introductions for finding the success in themes of the day

- Maximum 4 presentations
- All speakers should be from outside UBC in order to get new ideas and inspiration for success!!!
- All speakers should be high level professionals on their own field (trainers, coaches, consultants, scientists, business directors, etc.)
- All speakers should be experienced on motivating and inspiring people and organisations to work for their mission

Presentations:

- Training for innovative thinking, for finding your internal hero or something similar related to "firing up our internal flame"
- Significance of commitment and participation.
- Power of Management and Leadership
- Wakening from fast life to quality of life. New development trends.

1st Day AFTERNOON

Parallel workshops

Finding the UBC success factors for implementing strategic work (The UBC Strategy and Sustainability Action Programme 2010 – 2015 and the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region).

To make the Baltic Sea region a safe and secure region. Finding success factors for empowering Awareness & Cooperation

To make the Baltic Sea region a prosperous and economically balanced region. Finding success factors for productive Leadership

Coffee break

To make the Baltic Sea region an environmentally sustainable region - Finding success factors for Sustainable Resource Management

To make the Baltic Sea region an accessible and attractive region; Finding success factors for Good Quality of Life in Baltic Cities

Closing Plenary – summary of the workshops

2nd Day MORNING

Workshops by UBC Commissions on chosen topics;

- Commissions should propose topics beforehand
- Can be joint workshops of 2-4 commissions

PROPOSAL: (UBC Commission on Environment and UBC Commission on Energy would like to organise a joint workshop related to Success factors in Local Climate Change work). See additional annex

Summary of the workshops

- Each workshop will present their key findings

2nd Day AFTERNOON

General management issues of UBC (may begin already before lunch)

Workshop on

Success factors in local integrated climate management

Local Response to Climate Change through Integrated Urban Sustainbility Management

Organized as a parallel session in the UBC General Conference Liepaja, 4-7 October 2011

The CHAMP project (2009-2011) is building capacities and support for local authorities in implementing an integrated management system (IMS) for climate change mitigation and adaptation. The capacity building workshops take place in all partner countries – Finland, Germany, Hungary and Italy, and the project is also promoting the integrated management system Europe-wide.

For the UBC members the dissemination in the Baltic Sea region is an important part of the project and to this end, a regional final conference in the Baltic Sea region will be organised at the end of the year 2011. UBC is the responsible body for dissemination in the Baltic Sea region.

We believe the topic would be of great interest to all UBC member cities and a great addition to the UBC General Conference programme.

The workshop/parallel session would be a possibility for the cities to learn and exchange experiences and views on the topic of managing complex challenges that our cities are facing (such as climate change) in an integrated way.

Depending on the structure and the programme of the conference, we would like to have this workshop on one of the days during the UBC General Conference. For this, we would need from 2 hours up to half day of time.

Jointly arranged by UBC Commission on Energy and Environment

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