

XII UBC General Conference "Investing in young people. Combating youth unemployment and marginalization - from words into action", Mariehamn, Åland, 1-4 October 2013

## Per Bødker Andersen, President of UBC, will welcome the participants of the XII UBC General Conference in Mariehamn



Per Bødker Andersen, Deputy Mayor of Kolding, has been the UBC President since 2001. Also, Mr Andersen is a very active politician on European level. He has been a Member of the Committee of the Regions since 2006. Within the Congress of the Council of Europe, Mr Andersen is a Representative of the Chamber of Local Authorities and 1<sup>st</sup> full member (Current Affairs Committee). In 2012 Mr Andersen was elected as the President of the Conference of European Cross-Border and Interregional Cities Network (CECICN).

The UBC General Conference in Mariehamn will focus on difficult situation regarding the high level of youth unemployment in the Baltic Sea Region. The youth representatives, as well as the cities, will both prepare their plan of action to combat youth unemployment and marginalization. The guiding principle in all proceedings is "*combating youth unemployment and marginalization - from words into action*".

The bi-annual General Conference is the highest organ and central event of the UBC, the main organisation and representative of the local authorities in the BSR.

More information and registration to the conference at:

www.mariehamn.ax/ubc/ www.ubc.net