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INVITATION

BALTIC LOCAL AGENDA 21

CONFERENCE IN TURKU, SEPTEMBER 1998

Next year EU's Sustainable Cities and Towns Campaign will hold four regional conferences in Europe. One of their aims is to act as follow-up meetings for the Aalborg (1994) and Lisboa (1996) conferences. One of these four events will be held in Turku, Finland in September 1998.

The Turku conference focuses on evaluating the final report of the Baltic Agenda 21 process from the local level point of view. One area of particular interest is how Local Agenda 21 work could be strengthened and accelerated in the Baltic countries, Poland and

Russia. Another goal is to integrate health issues to sustainable development in Baltic cities, which is emphasized by the WHO.

Baltic Local Agenda 21 Forum, which was established in September 1997, plays a key role in preparing the conference. During the winter, it shall compile a draft local level action plan for the entire Baltic Sea Region. This draft will form the basis for the Turku conference and it shall be finalized during the conference.

The conference will be organized in cooperation by the City of Turku, UBC, ICLEI, WHO Healthy Cities Programme,

Sustainable Cities and Towns Campaign, the Association of Finnish Local Authorities, Finnish Ministry of the Environment and HELCOM. Financial support has been applied from the City of Turku, the EU and the Finnish Ministry of the Environment. More detailed information will be provided in the coming UBC Bulletins.

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