2023 INTERREG NPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

NORTHERN SKILLS NAVIGATING THE FUTURE NPA

8th November, Skellefteå

7TH NOVEMBER

18:30 Welcome reception, Skellefteå Municipality

9TH NOVEMBER

9:30-11:00 Site Visit at Skellefteå Science City

8TH NOVEMBER

Moderator: Ms Maxi Nachtigall, Chair of the Monitoring Committee for Interreg NPA

TAILS	9:00	Welcome and opening Ms Helene Hellmark Knutsson, Västerbotten County Governor Mr Tomas Mörtsell, President of the CPMR – Baltic Sea Commission, Region Västerbotten Ms Evelina Fahlesson, Mayor of Skellefteå Municipality Mr Petri Koistinen, Policy coordinator at DG REGIO, European Commission
	9:30	Regional economies in change Mr Johan Lundberg, Umeå University
)E1		Youth empowerment in remote areas in the North Mr Rasmus Emborg and Ms Ina Mickos, Nordic Youth Council
& SPEAKER [10:20	Get to know Interreg cooperation: Interreg NPA and Aurora Ms Kirsti Mijnhijmer, Head of Secretariat, Interreg NPA Mr Gabriel Bölske, Programme Officer, Interreg Aurora
	11:30	Change is happening right here, right now! Experience and solutions from Interreg projects addressing skills, talent attraction, retention, green & just transition. Mr Jose Manuel San Emeterio, ERNACT, INNOCAP project (Interreg NPA) Mr Niclas Forsling, Centre for rural medicine, Making it Work project (Interreg NPA) Ms Huld Hafliðadóttir, STEM Húsavík, Arctic STEM Communities project (Interreg NPA) Ms Kati Ilkka, City of Oulu, Aurora Entrepreneurialis project (Interreg Aurora) Mr Øystein Hansen, Kirkenes Upper Secondary School, ARCTIC SKILLS project (Kolarctic CBC)
MME TIMES	13:30	 The skills of the future, the leaders of today A panel session about how to prepare young people for after-school life, equip the workers with the skills they need for the future jobs, and how green and sustainable economy can be driven by local community. Ms Joan Samuelsen, Viceprincipal at Eysturskulin, Faroe Islands Mr Frank Norbeck, Ungt Entreprenørskarp, Norway Ms Sanna Tyni, Lapland University of Applied Sciences, Finland Mr Robert Lynch, Skillnet Ireland, Ireland Ms Karen Mist Kristjansdóttir, Green Industrial Parks, Iceland Ms Trine Egede, Management and Education Consultant, Government of Greenland
2	14:30	Parallel session 1 - NPA Marketplace

An interactive session to pitch current projects, and potential project ideas and partners for future collaborations and partnerships.

Parallel session 2 - Workshop "You are welcome to stay!"

Facilitator: Niclas Forsling, Centre for Rural Medicine, Region Västerbotten Workshop about how to plan, recruit and retain skilled workforce, with a particular focus on the healthcare sector. This workshop is inspired by the recommendations developed by the NPA project Recruit & Retain about health workforce development, attraction, recruitment and retention in rural and remote areas.

16:30 **Final thoughts** Mr Ossi Tornberg, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment, Finland #EuropeanYearofSkills **#Skills #Youth #NPA2021 2027**

18:30 **Conference dinner**, Wood Hotel





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