



Innovation Circle Network

creating attractive communities

INNOVATION THROUGH NEW GOVERNANCE AND URBAN – RURAL PARTNERSHIPS

30 Nov – 1 December 2009

Location: Kollona Hotel in Cesis, Latvia

Arrivals: Sunday 29th November. More details will follow about transport from airport

Arrival day – Welcome dinner at 19:00 in the hotel

Day 1- Monday 30th November

10.00 Opening of the conference

Mr. Maris Niklas, Head of Cesis District Administration

Ms. Rita Merca, Chairman of the IC Network

Mr. Bjørn Frode Moen, Trans-in-Form project manager

New Governance for urban and rural regions

10.15 Regional Concept of Polycentric Development and Postponement of Regional Reform in Latvia
by PhD Māris Pūķis - Senior Adviser of LALRG

10.45 Development focuses in Vidzeme Planning Region after the reform
by Ms. Laila Gercane, head of the project and development department

11.00 Regional reform in Lithuania – what are the plans? by Mr. Andrius Valickas, LR Ministry of
Interior, Regional politics department, regional development division chief specialist.

11.15 Introduction connected to key issues in Trans-in-Form project – by communication manager of
Trans-in-Form manager Mr. Alf Sigurd Johansen

Plenary discussion – Are the reforms “The Emperor’s new clothes” or new governance?

12.00 Lunch break

New urbanism in cities and at smaller places – From IC to Trans in Form

13.30 Principles of New Urbanism and how can it be applied at smaller towns and
settlements?
by town planner and EU expert Mr. Michael Fuller-Gee

15.00 Urban Designing and Entrepreneurship Promotion Possibilities in Bauska and Aizkraukle by
project managers Ms. Inga Berzina and Ms. Sigita Busa

15.30 Questions and comments about methodology and results – how can we relate experiences to
the Trans-in-Form project

16.00 Coffee break

Annual meeting

16.30 Opening of the Annual meeting 2009 (separate agenda)

17.30 Gathering of the new board

19.00 Dinner

Day 2 – Tuesday 1st December

09.00 Trans-in-Form project - Status and plans

by project manager Mr. Bjørn Frode Moen, Notodden Municipality

09.30 Question and discussions

10.30 Implementation of the "Regional Attractivity Barometer"

by Mr. Knut Vareide, Telemark Research Institute

11.30 Coffee break

12.00 Comments and inputs to the Attractivity Barometer

12.30 Information about Trans-in-Form Kick-off conference

Summary and the end of the conference

13.00 Lunch

14.00 -16.00 Coordinator meeting for Trans-in-Form project



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