



Sør-Varanger  
Kommune



UTENRIKSDEPARTEMENTET



## Kirkeneskonferansen 2012 February 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> - Thon Hotel Kirkenes

DAY 1: WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 8 <sup>th</sup>	
11:30	<b>Registration and lunch</b>
13:00	<b>North-Norwegian Military Brass band</b> <b>Welcome to Kirkenes - Mayor Cecilie Hansen</b> , Sør-Varanger kommune <b>Greetings from Governor Dimitri Dmitrienko</b> , Murmansk Oblast County Mayor <b>Runar Sjøstad</b> , Finnmark County Council
THEME SECTION 1: THE POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE NORTHERN REGION	
13:20	<b>Opening</b> State Secretary <b>Erik Lahnstein</b> , Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
13:40	<b>Where goes Finnish politics in the northern region?</b> Director <b>Esko Lotvonen</b> , Lapland County Council
14:00	<b>What role will Murmansk play in the development of the Northern Sea Route?</b> Minister <b>Jurij Tchujkov</b> , Murmansk Oblast
14:20	<b>What signals gives the Government's new High North Strategy?</b> Member of the Storting's Committee on Foreign Affairs <b>Ivar Kristiansen</b> , the Conservative Party of Norway
14:40	<b>Break</b>
THEME SECTION 2: ENERGY DEVELOPMENT	
14:55	<b>The new case in cooperation within the oil development; Rogaland, North-Norway and Northwest Russia – signing memorandum</b> County Council Mayor <b>Janne Johnsen</b> , Rogaland fylkeskommune
15:15	<b>The borderline; Opportunities and challenges</b> Director <b>Gro Brækken</b> , Oljeindustriens Landsforening
15:35	<b>Cooperation in oil-activities in the Barents Sea</b> Project Director Barents region <b>Thor Christian Andvik</b> , INTSOK
15:55	<b>Questions to the political panel</b> Journalist <b>Arne Egil Tønset</b>
16:25	<b>Coffee break</b>
THEME SECTION 3: INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT	
16:40	<b>Investment Strategies in the North . Aker's vision for the northern region.</b> General Manager <b>Liv Monica Bargem Stubholt</b> , Aker Clean Carbon AS
17:00	<b>Development Scenarios for the mineral industry in the Barents Region</b> Secretary General <b>Elisabeth Gammelsæter</b> , Norsk Bergindustri
17:20	<b>Will lack of the network capacity restrict industrial development in the region?</b> Director <b>Audun Hustoft</b> , Statnett
17:40	<b>Summarizing with the smooth transition to the opening of the Barents Spektakel</b> Consul General <b>Øyvind Nordsletten</b> , The Norwegian Consulate in Murmansk
18:00	<b>Opening of the Barents Spektakel</b>
19:00	<b>Concert in Fjellhallen</b>
20:30	<b>Dinner</b>



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**DAY 2: THURSDAY FEBRUARY 9<sup>th</sup>**

**THE BARENTS REGION TO 2030**

08:30	<b>Does the development in the Barents cooperation comply with the intentions which were at the signing of the Barents Declaration in 1993?</b> Former Foreign Minister <b>Thorvald Stoltenberg</b>
08:50	<b>USA's focus on the northern region</b> Ambassador <b>Barry B. White</b> , Embassy of the United States of America to Norway
09:10	<b>Opportunities and challenges for a common labour-force region in the north</b> Secretary Treasure <b>Ellen Stensrud</b> , LO
09:30	<b>Experiences from a Norwegian-Russian joint activity in the labour force field</b> CEO <b>Svein Ruud</b> , Troika AS
09:50	<b>A railway between the Baltic and Barents Sea will provide a logistical paradigm change</b> CEO <b>Hannu Hernesniemi</b> , Research Institute of the Finnish Economy
10:10	<b>Break</b>

**THEME SECTION 5: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE NORTHERN REGION**

10:30	<b>The Industrial development will increase living standard in Murmansk region</b> Speaker <b>Vasilij Shambir</b> , The Murmansk Regional Duma
10:50	<b>What has come from the work of the Government's High North Committee?</b> Director <b>Trond Haukanes</b> , Sør-Varanger Invest
11:10	<b>Long-term vision is the key to successful Norwegian - Russian business cooperation</b> CEO <b>Trine Gustavsen</b> , Barel AS
11:30	<b>How industry development and nature protection should be integrated</b> Council <b>Gunnar Album</b> , Norges Naturvernforbund
11:50	<b>Summarizing and closing</b> Secretary Leader <b>Rune Rafaelsen</b> , Barents Secreteriat
12:00	<b>Lunch</b>

**MEETING LEADERS:**

**Bente Aasjord**, Spesialrådgiver, Fagforbundet  
**Arne O. Holm**, Rådgiver, Nordområdesenteret Universitetet i Nordland



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