

## **Regional Cooperation for Regional growth**

### **An Open Days Local Event**

#### **Arranged by:**

**North Finland EU Office, North Sweden EU Office and North Norway European office  
in collaboration with The Norwegian Barents Secretariat**

**Date:** Wednesday 14. October 2009  
**Time:** 14.00 – 16.30 (followed by cocktail reception)  
**Venue:** Meridian Hotel, Murmansk, 5 23 Vorovskogo Street

14.00 Welcome by moderator Mr. Rune Rafaelsen, Director, The Norwegian Barents Secretary

14.10 **The Northern Dimension, the EU Arctic policy and Barents Euro-Arctic cooperation"**

Mr. Fernando Garces, European Commission

14.30 **Barents Regional Committee, Visions for the Troms Presidency**

Mrs. Pia Svensgaard, Head of County Council, Troms County Council, Norway

14.50 **Balanced development in Barents region.**

Mr. Esko Lotvonen , Regional Mayor of Lapland, Finland

15.10 Coffee break

**15.30 East-West transport opportunities through Murmansk**

Mr. Stig Nerdal, Senior Adviser Transportutvikling AS/ Project Manager UIC

**15.50 Oil Transport from Northwest-Russia - possibilities for cross-border cooperation in the High North**

Mr. Alexei Bambulyak, General Manager Russia, Akvaplan-niva

**16.10 Questions and answers**

**16.30 Cocktail reception**

