

COMMISSION ON CULTURE

Action Plan 2014

*Union of Baltic
Cities*

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Action plan for 2014

The new vision outlines where the commission wants to be in the future and shapes the action plan.

The vision

The commission wants to work strategically and cross border with central national and international bodies dealing with policy making for sustainable and inclusive development within the Baltic Sea strategy and EU 2020 strategy. The commission on culture wants to be voice for culture on local level in order to have the cultural issues on local level heard and taken into account in all policies for developing the local level on regional, national and international context.

In order to realize the vision four objectives has been developed: 1. Network based cultural cooperation, 2. Professionalization of the cultural field, 3. Strategic partnerships, 4. Research

1. Network based cultural cooperation:

- Develop the exchange program even further, as this program has 3 aims, namely to stimulate professionalization, to develop the UBC cultural network, and to stimulate project making between the UBC cities.
- To promote a more intensive cooperation between the UBC cities on cultural level which has as criteria the cooperation aspect
- To promote the cities to invite cultural project from the other UBC cities for local events like festivals, celebrations or part of the daily programs

2. Professionalization of the cultural field:

- Exchange program to simulate the exchange of knowledge and experience through cooperation
- Sharing experiences at meetings and conferences
- Sharing new knowledge in newsletters, social media and the like

3. Strategic partnerships. Partners we want to develop contact to:

- Nordic Council
- EUSBSR PA Culture
- Ars Baltica
- Others

4. Research

Research is necessary for the cultural field to promote the necessity of culture. We would like to develop programs together with;

- Nordic council
- National or regional universities
- City authorities
- Professional research institutes

The action plan for 2014

- Seminar in the beginning of June in Turku together with commission on Education
- Seminar (25th -26th September) in Pori together with Mid Nordic Region Cultural Days on Cultural Heritage.
- Launching project “Baltic festival managers’ cooperation” together with Ars Baltica. Application to EUBSRS.
- Supporting FiSH organization finding Baltic partners they can cooperate with.
- Supporting Design camp for youngsters and children’s in Kolding through establishing a children’s culture network and a yearly design summer camp in UBC cities.
- Strengthen our communication to and with UBC member’s cities in the cultural area.
- Participating in 69th UBC Executive Board meeting, Tampere, 18 March
- Partner in EU project Culturability. Participating in Culturability seminar in Rendsburg the 30-31th of January. Participating in Culture and sustainable development in Baltic Sea Region: Urban development, creative industries and social innovation
- Participating in EU conference: “Culture and Creativity”. Objective how the cultural and creative sectors can impact local development.
- Continuing with our exchange programme.

Budget proposal for 2014

Travel	18500	2500
Accommodation	5180	700
Cost related to board meetings (meals, coffee etc.)	2220	300
Administration	29600	4000
Joint conference with commission on education	37000	5000
Exchange programme	14800	2000
Pori Seminar	8800	1200
Total	Kr 116.180,00	€ 15.700,