

Barents Institute, University of Tromsø and Sør-Varanger Municipality

The 3rd Thorvald Stoltenberg Symposium in Kirkenes 1-2 October 2008

The Barents Institute, the University of Tromsø and Sør-Varanger Municipality have the great pleasure of inviting you to the 3rd Thorvald Stoltenberg Symposium in Kirkenes. This open meeting is also a part of a Master Study Module in a new discipline called Borderology.

The main theme of the seminars will be so called "Twin Cities" - bilateral collaboration, as part of cross-border regional cooperation in general. Peace-keeping and mutual economic and cultural work will be discussed, as will the implications and opportunities of the EU-policy "The New Northern Dimension".

Please see the attached programme.

The venue for the symposium will be the Stoltenberg Room at Rica Arctic Hotel in Kirkenes.

The seminar will start at 1 pm on the 1st of October, and it ends at 11 am on the 2nd.

Seminar fee: 1000 NOK. This covers seminar, 2 lunches, coffee and an evening meal at Ritz, where we will arrange a gathering for students, lecturers and seminar participants from 1900 on Wednesday 1st of October.

Please contact the following hotels for booking:

Rica Arctic Hotel +4778995900, Rica Hotel Kirkenes (Turisten) +4778991491, Wessel Hotel +4778998600, Barents Frokost Hotel +4778993299

Welcome to the 2008 Stoltenberg Symposium in Kirkenes!

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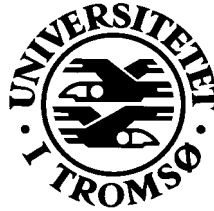
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Research as a basis for cross border business and competence
development.

Wednesday 1st Oct:

- 13.00 Welcome to do Research in Kirkenes: Mayor Linda Randal
- 13.15 Jarle Aarbakke: Rector, Tromsø University, Cross border Cooperation and Research
- 13.35 Tarja Cronberg, Minister of Labour: The new Northern Dimension: What Does it Imply in the North?
- 14.00 Coffee
- 15.00 Dr. Pertti Joenniemi and Dr. Alexander Sergunin: Twin Cities in Northern Europe: Recent Experiences
- 15.30 Jukka-Pekka Bergman, Director Northern Dimension Research Center, Lappeenranta Technological University: The Model of the Northern Dimension Cross Border City Cooperation

Thursday 2nd Oct:

- 09.00 Olga Brednikova, Researcher CISR, St. Petersburg: Russian Views on City Twinning
- 09.30 Coffee
- 10.00 Virpi Kaisto, Researcher Southern Karelia Institute, Lappeenranta Technological University, City Twinning between Imatra and Svetogorsk
- 10:30 Concluding views and opinions
- 11.30 Lunch