



ComUnYouth  
Combating Unemployment among Youth

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# 24 month project financed by Nordic Council of Ministers.

- Initiative from AEBR meetings –Cross border regions
- Nordic Council of Ministers
- Improve the employment situation for young people in periphery areas
- Increase the cooperation between european and russian insititutions on above topic.

# OVERALL OBJECTIVE

- Improve the employment situation of youth in the periphery in Russian-Nordic-Baltic border areas.
- Empower youth to take an active role in the process of combating unemployment
- Involve business community from Nordic, Baltic countries and NW Russia to engage in solving the problems of youth unemployment.

# PARTNERS

1. **NCM Information office in St. Petersburg**
2. **NCM Information office in Vilnius**
3. **Council of Europe**
4. **AEBR**
5. **Øresund Committe (DK)**
6. **Sønderjylland-Schleswig Cross border Region (DK-D)**
7. **Hedmark County Council (NO)**
8. **County Administrative Board of Värmland (S)**

# Activities

- Platform uniting authorities, labour market, educational institutions, researchers, companies, practitioners, youth organisations, trade unions.
- Exchange and distribute best practices for combating youth unemployment/increased employment.
- Validating statistics
- 4 pilot projects

# Thematic working groups

- Youth unemployment among social risk/vulnerable groups
- Business creation of new working places in cross border regions
- Increase of sustainable entrepreneurship in cross border regions
- Free movement of labour in cross border regions, new possibilities and risks
- The role of education in solving youth unemployment

# Working Group on Free Movement

- WG leader – Hedmark
- WG members; Värmland CAB, Öresundscommittee, Sønderjylland-Schleswig Border Region, Bothnian Arc.
- Collecting best practices from our regions and shared with the other partners
- We where about to take the next step – pilot projects.....



# Kick off meeting in Vyborg 2014



Nordic Council of Ministers became registered as foreign agent.

The offices in Russia closed down and all activities are on hold.....

# On going Project initiatives

- Baltic Sea Labor Forum – Seed money for a cross border labor market project – Sønderjylland-Schleswig border region.
- Climate Active City – Hamburg City
- Circular Economy – Design Cluster in Hamburg

Thank you for your attention!

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