

Baltic Sea States Subregional Co-operation – BSSSC

Formannskap 2017 – 2018



ØstlandsSamarbeidet
Eastern Norway County Network

Chairmanship 2017-2018

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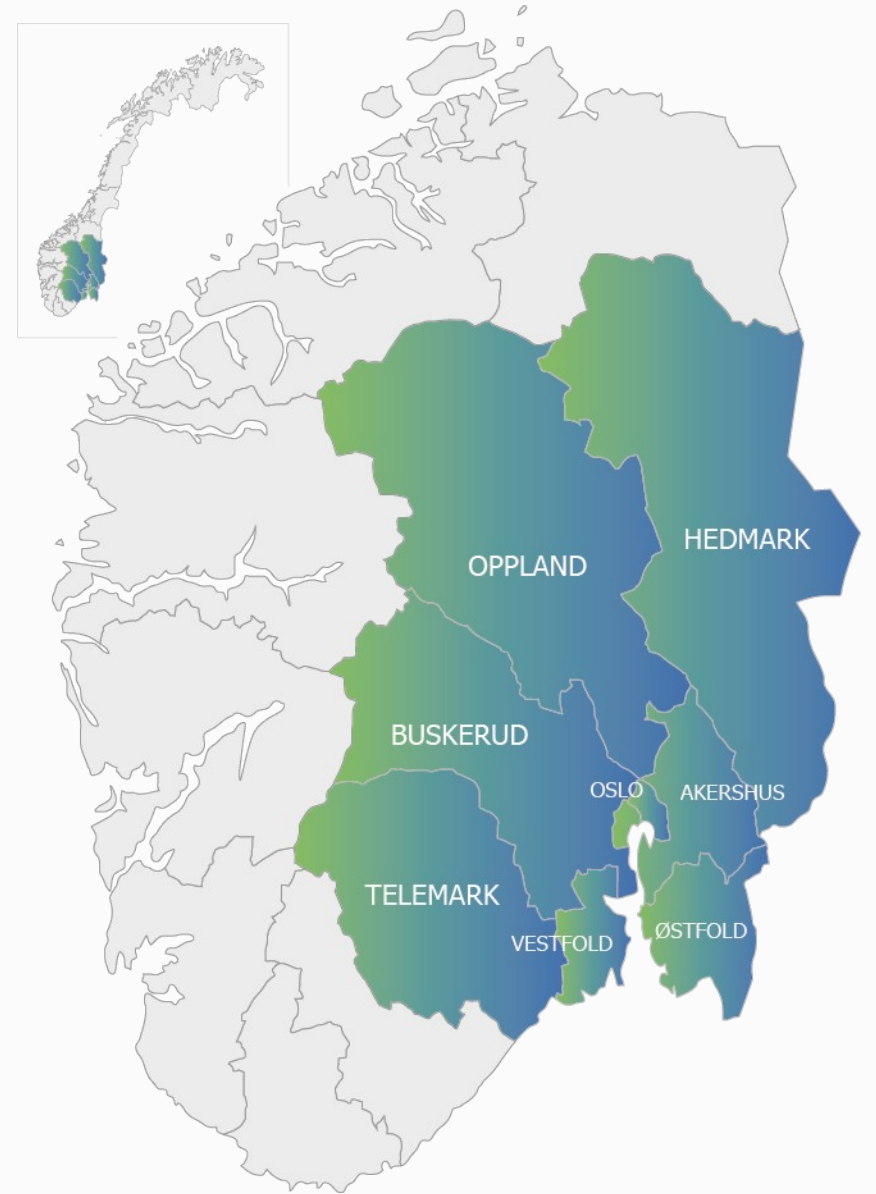
Chairman Mr. Roger Ryberg

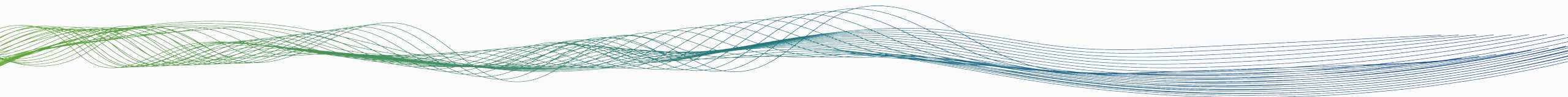
Secretariat:

- » Ms. Ann Irene Saeternes, Secretary General
- » Mr. Lars Lund Godbolt, Executive Secretary (100%)
- » Ms. Hilde Beate Aarö, Special Adviser (50%)

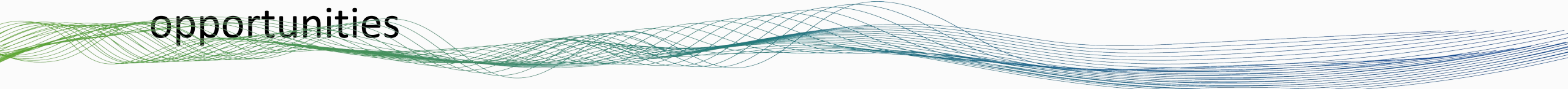
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Mr. Jan Edöy, Oslo Region European Office



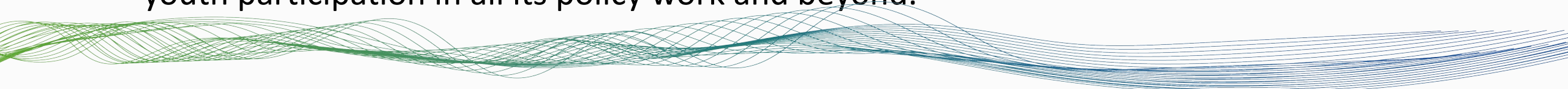


BSSSC's mission is to

- » use its role as a political network organisation and a regional partner to CBSS (Council of the Baltic Sea States) to promote and advocate the interests of the regions of the Baltic Sea area towards decision makers, such as national governments, the EU institutions and inter-governmental organisations, and
 - » act as a Pan-Baltic organisation open to all regions around the entire Baltic Sea area, bringing added value to regional co-operation on every side of the Baltic Sea, and
 - » provide expertise, best practice examples and networking opportunities
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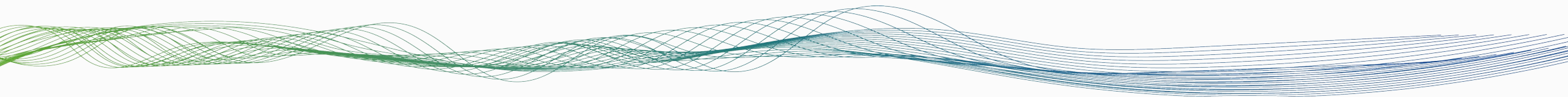
Strategic objectives towards 2020

- » become a strong and recognised platform to coordinate the voice of the regions in Baltic Sea Region
- » be a link between the EUSBSR and regional and local authorities – making use of its Annual Conferences
- » be actively engaged in policy discussions and lobby work on topics of particular relevance for the regions
- » be a platform for project development, partner search and dissemination of project results
- » be a networking arena for exchange of best practices and governance models
- » continue to be a platform for young people in the Baltic Sea Region and to strengthen youth participation in all its policy work and beyond.



Top Priorities for the ENCN Chairmanship

- 1.** Information and communication will be high on the agenda of the ENCN Chairmanship - a new web page is launched and newsletters and social media will be used
- 2.** Step up dialog and cooperation with other BSR organisations, networks and structures
- 3.** Keep the regions involved and active in BSSSC, and attract the interest of new regions – especially from Sweden, Denmark and Lithuania



Cross cutting themes

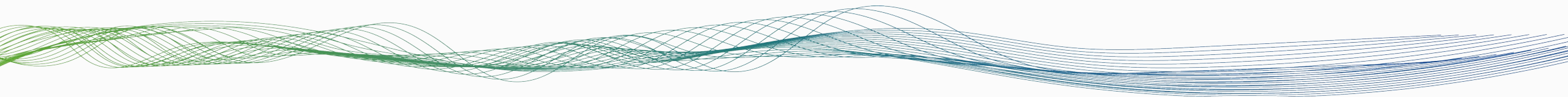
BSSSC Work Plan 2017-2018

1. EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) and the involvement of local and regional authorities and young people in the implementation
2. EU Cohesion Policy post 2020
3. Youth involvement/youth empowerment
4. Northern Dimension - cooperation with Russia



BSSSC Policy Areas 2017-2018

- » Sustainable development and climate change (Baltic 2030, clean transport, circular economy)
- » Transport and accessibility - transport corridors
- » Culture and inclusion
- » Growth, jobs and innovation (smart specialization, bio-economy, blue growth, creative industries, digital agenda)



Implementation structure

- » The Chairman and the Secretariat (Eastern Norway County Network)
- » The Board
- » The Youth Network/WG Youth Policy
- » Rapporteurs for policy areas - and in certain cases ad hoc working groups
- » Cooperation with BSR organisations and programmes
- » Brussels Antenna

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