

EUROPEAN COMMISSION Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations



"CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION ALONG THE EU'S EXTERNAL BORDERS: LESSONS LEARNT AND WAYS FORWARD"



Hosted by the Ministry of Finance of Estonia, in the context of the Estonian Presidency of the European Council, this year's conference will focus on:

- √ What are the lessons learnt now that ENPI CBC programmes 2007-2013 are heading towards closure? How can the project results be efficiently used in order to have better impact and visibility?
- √ Where do ENI CBC programmes 2014-2020 stand after a first year in full swing? Which are the main challenges ahead? And what could be done in order to better support their management and implementation?



Venue: Important notice!

Ministry of Finance of Estonia, Suur-Ameerika 1 For security reasons, copy of passport or ID card will be requested to enter the premises







PRELIMINARY AGENDA

(30 November - Chaired by DG NEAR)

08:30 - 09:00	Arrival of participants, welcome coffee and registration
09:00 – 09:30	Official welcoming Presentation of the objectives of the conference (Minister of Finance of Estonia, European Commission and European External Action Service)
09:30 – 11:30	Drawing conclusions, identifying recommendations: results of the expost evaluation of ENPI CBC programmes (Presentation by GSDI, followed by debate with CBC stakeholders)
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11:30 – 12:00	Network break
12:00 – 13:00	Bridging ENPI and ENI CBC: how to capitalise on the results 2007-2013? What to do already now to ensure a wider use of results 2014-2020?
	(Presentation by Interact, followed by debate with CBC stakeholders)
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 15:00	Supporting the implementation and management of ENI CBC: new target groups, new ideas, new tools
	(Presentation TESIM)
15:00 – 16:00	ENI CBC in motion: where do ENI CBC programmes stand? What has been the response so far of the local and regional actors to the new funding opportunities provided?
	(Presentation by TESIM, followed by debate with CBC stakeholders)
16:00 – 16:30	Network break
16:30 – 17:30	Up-to-datedness of the strategy 2014-2020: core outcomes of the ENI CBC midterm review
	(Presentation EEAS and European Commission, Q&A)
17:30 – 17:45	Closing remarks (European Commission)
tbd	Evening event - Networking dinner with all ENI CBC stakeholders



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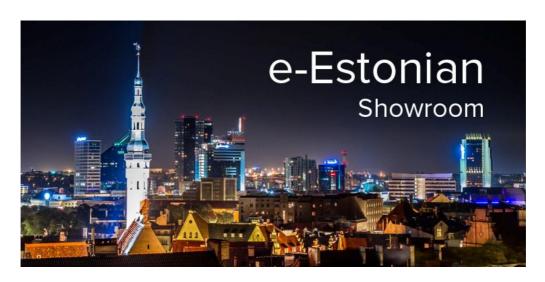
29 November - MORNING PROGRAMME (10:00 – 13:00)

Meeting of the ENI CBC Consultation and Coordination Group (Heads of Managing Authorities and Joint Technical Secretariats)

The meeting will be devoted to ensuring a shared understanding of the preliminary results of the ENPI CBC ex-post evaluation, in particular for what refers to the draft recommendations stemming from the desk review, consultations with stakeholders and case studies. During the meeting, DG NEAR services and programme bodies will also exchange on the on-going processes related both to ENPI and ENI CBC (ENPI CBC closure, ENI CBC reporting, approval of ENI CBC large infrastructure projects,...)

29 November - AFTERNOON PROGRAMME (15:00 – 17:00)

Visit to the Estonian e-showroom (Programme bodies and national authorities not participating to the full-day visit to Narva)



The e-Estonia Showroom is an executive briefing centre. Its goal is to inspire global policy makers, political leaders, corporate executives, investors and international media with the success story of e-Estonia and build links to leading IT service providers. During the visit, guests receive an inspirational introduction to the underlying mechanisms involved in digitizing a society, an overview of the main challenges and policies, an understanding of the infrastructure, e-solutions and services, as well as contact with the IT industry.

(The visit is limited to 70 people)







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29 November - FULL DAY PROGRAMME



(Organised by the Joint Technical Secretariat of the Estonia-Russia CBC Programme)

Explore the autumn capital of Estonia: Narva. The city on the very border with the Russian Federation, a city with great experience in project implementation under the Estonia-Latvia-Russia ENPI CBC Programme and with expectations and preparations for the ENI CBC Estonia- Russia Programme.

Explore the results, challenges and synergy of CBC on the external border of EU: the real border of Estonia and Russia in Narva! The city of good energy!



9:00	Departure from Tallinn to Narva (The JTS of EE-RU CBC will take care to make your journey comfortable, informative, and educational)
12:00 – 15:00	Lunch in the Fortress Exhibition of projects / Q&A to project managers Introduction to new projects (LIPs of EE-RU CBC) Guided tour in the Fortress (including the fortress Tower with view to Ivangorod (RUS) Fortress Walk on Narva promenade with a look across the Narva river to Ivangorod promenade and have a look to the reconstructed Border crossing point of
	Narva-Ivangorod. Narva Bastions Presentation on project implementation (before and after) Guided tour to Narva Bastions Goodbye snacks
15:00	Departure from Narva (The JTS of EE-RU CBC will take care to make your journey comfortable, informative, and educational)
18:00	Arrival to Tallinn





