

Transport Group Work Plan 2005-2006

NSC Transport Group Key Activity	Action	Responsibility	Timescale	Resources	Outputs
1. Influencing EU transport policies	A) Permanent monitoring of EU policy within transport sector	Co-ordinator and selected group members:	Ongoing	Working time of Co-ordinator and group members, possibly travel, accommodation and meeting costs	-Oral and written reports to group and Executive Committee - Meetings -Policy initiatives -Draft resolutions to NSC and CPMR
	B) Developing Motorways of the Seas (MoS) in the North Sea Region, hereunder: -Check up further process in EU Commission -Map positions & plans of national governments -Encourage EU member states to initiate MoS routes in the NSR -Co-ordinate with MoS-campaign of the NMC-project -Co-operate with the BSC and the CPMR with a view of launching common MoS initiatives	Co-ordinator and selected group members from each NSC member state:	Whole period, thereafter long term (milestones will be defined in detailed action plans)	Working time of Co-ordinator and group members, possibly travel, accommodation and meeting costs, expenses to promotional material, possibly expenses to private consultants	-Communication and meetings with EU Commission national governments and industry actors -Communication and organisation of joint events with the BSC and the CPMR -Policy initiatives towards EU and national governments -Organisation of NSC political missions -Overview of national positions on the MoS -Applications to Marco Polo and / or Interreg

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2. Promoting partnerships on port, sea transport	A) Identify, approach and establish co-operation with relevant partners such as ports, shipping organisations and transport users etc	Co-ordinator, Marjolein Zwerver Groningen Sea Ports, Chris Kutesko Norfolk,	Permanent, long-term	Working time of Co-ordinator and involved group members, possibly travel, accommodation and meeting costs	Communications (mails, phones etc), meetings, information exchange, Agreements / memo of understanding
	B) Follow-up co-operation with the European Short Sea Network – ESN and national Short Sea Promotion Centres (SSPC) in the North Sea region	Marjolein Zwerver Groningen Sea Ports, one member from each NSC state as listed in item 1B	1 st milestone end 2005, thereafter permanent, long-term.	Working time of involved group members, possibly travel, accommodation and meeting costs	-Participation at meetings -Observership to ESN and /or national SSPC's -Agreements / memo of understanding -Joint events -Joint policy initiatives
	C) Co-operation with and dissemination of findings from relevant Interreg-projects on sea & intermodal transport, such as NMC, NTN, Remarcc, Finesse etc.	Tommy Madsen North Jutland, Lars Dagnæs Jon H. Eide Vest-Agder, Odd Moldestad South Trøndelag, Wim Stubbe West Vlaanderen	Until projects end 2005 – 2007/08	Working time of involved group members, possibly travel, accommodation and meeting costs	Reports, studies, joint events etc providing: -Increased knowledge as a basis for policy initiatives -Expanded and strengthened network on sea transport in the North Sea Region -New members -Follow-up projects for next round of Interreg -Marco Polo applications

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3. Promoting sustainable transport	A) Preparing a conference on sustainable transport in Vest-Agder region 31 May – 1 June 2005 in co-operation with the Interreg 3B-project NTN	Task Force	31 May - 1 June	150.000 NOK from NTN 50.000 NOK from NSC Participation fees Working time of co-ordinator and group members	Organisation of Conference in Kristiansand on 31 May - 1 June
	B) Evaluate and follow up conference, incl. dissemination of findings and recommendations	Same as under 3 A)	Autumn/end 2005	Working time of co-ordinator and group members, expenses to print a catalogue	Conference report, press releases, catalogue of good practice examples presented at the conference, dissemination of good practice tools throughout the NRS
	C) Co-operation with and dissemination of findings from relevant Interreg projects such as SustAccess, Target, Hitrans, Concept etc.	Maria A. Larsson VGR, Lars Dagnæs ITS / South Jutland, Diane Campion Aberdeenshire,	Until projects end 2005 – 2007/08	Working time of involved group members, possibly travel, accommodation and meeting costs	-Follow-up projects in next round of Interreg -New members -Increased knowledge as a basis for policy initiatives and practical tools -Expanded and strengthened network on sustainable transport in the North Sea Region

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4. Promoting role of transport in a future North Sea / other Interreg programmes	A) Feed into the revision of the “Spatial Agenda” (prev. Norvision), respond to consultation on draft final reports from NS Programme Secretariat	Co-ordinator and Task Force	End 2005	Working time of co-ordinator and involved group members	-Comment paper -Final Spatial Agenda document in line with priorities of NSC Transport group Possibly leading to: -A new North Sea Programme
	B) Take part in workshop on Spatial Agenda during the joint Interreg / NSC annual conference in June 2005	Co-ordinator, Task Force, other group members	15 – 17 June	Working time of Co-ordinator, involved group members, travel and accommodation costs	-Active participation of Co-ordinator and groups members in Workshop on Spatial Agenda
5. Develop strategic role and promotion of the Transport group	A) Draft and adopt revised Terms of Reference (TOR)	Co-ordinator and Task Force consisting of : Lars Dagnæs ITS / South Jutland, Anne-Sophie Legendre Nord Pas de Calais, Leif Storsve Vest-Agder and Wim Stubbe West-Vlaanderen	May 2005	Working time of Co-ordinator, involved group members, travel and accommodation costs	Revised ToR, submitted to the Executive Committee and to the General Assembly
	B) Develop the role of group in relation to Interreg and other relevant projects & networks with a view of acting as a vehicle of co-ordination and dissemination	As under 5A	Until current Interreg projects end in 2005-08, thereafter permanent	As 2A	-Meetings -Joint events -New networks -Follow-up projects Interreg -Media coverage

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	C) Draft a promotion strategy	Chair, Co-ordinator, Vice-Chair, Diane Campion, Flemming Wennicke Ringkøbing	Autumn meeting 2005	Working time, travel & accommodation costs, expenses to printed material	-Leaflets & promotional material -PP presentations -Meetings & road shows -More active members -New members
6. Co-operation with other NSC thematic groups	A) Explore potential areas of co-operation and joint actions	Chair, Co-ordinator, all group members	Permanent	Working time, travel & accommodation costs	-Joint events -Joint resolutions -Joint projects
	B) Take part in the planning, organisation and follow-up of NSC seminar on the Lisbon Strategy	Co-ordinator and group members (to be selected)	Autumn 2005	Working time, travel & accommodation costs, other seminar costs	-Organisation of a joint NSC seminar on Lisbon strategy Leading to: Increased awareness of the role and significance of transport in promoting the Lisbon Strategy
	C) Promoting sustainable transport in co-operation with other NSC thematic group (see also item 3)	Co-ordinator and group members	Permanent	Working time, travel & accommodation costs, possibly various promotional costs	-Joint events -Policy statements & initiatives -Reports, studies etc.
7. Organisation and working methods	A) Permanently review the organisation and working methods of the group	Chair, Vice-Chair(s), Co-ordinator, Hans Jürgen Hett Schleswig-Holstein	Autumn meeting 2005,	Working time, travel & accommodation costs,	-Recommendations for new structures And working methods -Actual implementation of such structures & methods