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GOVERNANCE – THE WEAKEST LINK?

- HOW TO MAKE THE CHRISTMAS TREE A REALITY
 - CONDITIONS OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL CRISIS
- THREE-LEVEL SYSTEM OF GOVERNANCE ENVISAGED:
 - POLICY DEVELOPMENT (**MEMBER STATES**) – COORDINATION, MONITORING, REPORTING, FACILITATION, FOLLOW UP
 - (**COMMISSION**) – IMPLEMENTATION ON THE GROUND ("**PARTNERS ALREADY ACTIVE**") (WHO, HOW, WHO MANDATES, ACCOUNTABILITY, DIVISION OF RESPONSIBILITIES?)
- THE CATSHWORD: "**COMPETITIVE COOPERATION**"
- NO NEW MONEY – "**FIFTY BILLION DOCTRINE**"
 - NOTHING EARMARKED FOR THE STRATEGY
- NO NEW INSTITUTIONS - "**GOVERNANCE BY DOING**"
 - LET DARWINISM RULE: WHICH INSTITUTIONS FIT TO SURVIVE?

COMMITMENT TO DELIVER - THE KEY CHALLENGE

➤ POLITICAL COMMITMENT:

DECISIONS OF POLITICAL LEADERS TO USE THEIR POWER, INFLUENCE AND PERSONAL INVOLVEMENT TO ENSURE THAT BSS RECEIVES THE VISIBILITY, LEADERSHIP, RESOURCES, AND ONGOING POLITICAL SUPPORT THAT IS REQUIRED TO SUPPORT IT

➤ DO WE HAVE THAT?

➤ THE LACK OF OWNERSHIP IN THE REGION

➤ HOW CAN WE STRENGTHEN AND ENCOURAGE IT?

➤ KEEPING STAKEHOLDERS INVOLVED

➤ GETTING POLITICAL ACTORS INVOLVED

➤ WHICH IS THE KEY LEVEL OF POLITICAL COMMITMENTS?

➤ THE CHALLENGE OF MULTI-LEVEL GOVERNANCE

➤ WHO ARE "PARTNERS ALREADY ACTIVE"

➤ EXTERNAL DIMENSION: UNEXPLOITED OPTION OF "*PILOT POWER*": TO SET THE EXAMPLE IN MEGA-REGIONALISATION

MEMBER STATES IN CONTROL

15 PRIORITY AREAS: COORDINATORS

DENMARK	4 (2 PARTHERSHIPS)
FINLAND	2 (2)
SWEDEN	1 (2)
GERMANY	1
ESTONIA	1
POLAND	(2)
LATVIA	(1)
LITHUANIA	(1)
MECLENBURG- VORPOMMERN	1
ND	1

78 FLAGSHIP PROJECTS: LEAD PARTNERS

MEMBER STATES	55
OPEN	25
IGOs	9
CIVIL SOCIETY	1
EU BODIES	5

NORDIC PROJECT IN CCORDINATORS – GERMANY- POLAND LARGELY ABSENT?
A SIGN OF COMMITMENT?

WHERE ARE NON-STATE STAKEHOLDERS?

ACTIVE IN CONSULTATION, ABSENT IN IMPLEMENTATION

STATES IN LEAD ROLES

	LEAD	PARTNERSHIP	-OR-	TOTAL
FINLAND	-	3		3
SWEDEN	6	6	1	13
DENMARK	3	4	1	8
GERMANY	1	1		2
POLAND	6	2		8
LITHUANIA	1	6		6
LATVIA	1			1
ESTONIA	1		1	2
ALL	3	9		12

POLITICAL POWER IN THE EP

	EPP	PES	ALD E	GRE	UEN	GUE	INDE	OTH	TOT
FIN	4	2	4	2				1	13
SWE	5	5	4	2	1			1	18
DEN	1	4	3	2	2	1			13
GER	42	23	12	14		8			99
POL	28	7			15				50
LITH	4	3	2		2			1	12
LAT	1		1	1	3			2	8
EST	1	1	3					1	6
	85/ 39%	45/ 20 %	29/ 13%	21	23	9		6	218

AS OF JUNE 8TH

A CASE OF CITIES AS "PARTNERS ALREADY ACTIVE"

- UBC: 106 MEMBERS, 13 COMMISSIONS:
BUSINESS COOPERATION, CULTURE, EDUCATION, ENERGY, ENVIRONMENT, GENDER EQUALITY, HEALTH AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS, INFORMATION SOCIETY, SPORT, TOURISM, TRANSPORTATION, URBAN PLANNING, YOUTH ISSUES.
- BALTLMET: 11 METROPOLITAN CITIES
 - BERLIN, COPENHAGEN, HELSINKI, MALMO, RIGA, STOCKHOLM, ST PETERSBURG, TALLINN, VILNIUS, WARSAW
 - BALTIC EUROCITIES (22)
- TWIN CITY NETWORK OF THE UBC: 526 PAIRS
- UNEXPLOITED WORLD: PARA-DIPLOMACY
 - *FOREIGN POLICY ACTIONS AND CAPACITIES OF SUB-STATE ENTITIES, THEIR PARTICIPATION TO INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS INDEPENDENTLY FROM THEIR STATE AUTHORITIES AND THEIR WILL AND ABILITY TO PURSUE THEIR OWN INTERESTS.*

