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Programme Annual Event successfully hold on 31 October 2012

More than 160 participants from around Estonia, Latvia and Russia came to Narva, Estonia to attend a grand **Annual Event of the Programme “Cross Border Cooperation. Advancing Partnership. Bridging together.”**, which was hold **on 31st October** in new built Narva College of the University of Tartu.

The Conference paid a **special attention** to the progress of overall implementation of the Programme and representatives from the National Authorities of the Programme countries in their welcoming words made a focus on **future perspectives of the cross-border cooperation** between EU member states and Russian Federation. Workshops related to partnership and publicity were led by experienced experts from Estonia and Latvia.

30 Project stands were exposed to the participants of the Event, as well the **Exhibition “European Cooperation Day 2012 in retrospect”**. Participants voted for the most attractive Local Action during European Cooperation Day. Action “Two cities – Two friends”, organized by Narva City and Ivangorod Administration got the most of votes from participants coming from Estonia, Latvia and Russia. Plenary session culminated with the performance of Estonian Art Studio “Joy”.

Site visits to Narva Castle in Estonia and to **Ivangorod Fortress in Russia** demonstrated works that have started on both sides of the border and are related to the implementation of several cross-border Projects in the surrounding of unique Narva – Ivangorod Fortresses Ensemble.

Programme Presented at Interact ENPI Annual Conference

Annual Conference of INTERACT ENPI gathered EU member states and Partner countries cooperating within ENPI in Dead Sea, Jordan **on 16-17 October 2012**. Preparation of **ENI CBC 2014 – 2020** was in a focus of discussions and Kick-off of the Programming was announced. Presentations included Facts and Figures of the present ENPI CBC period and reflections of the European Cooperation Day. Estonia-Latvia-Russia Programme was among two Programmes invited to present the approach chosen and results achieved during European Cooperation Day Local Actions.

2nd Call 2nd Evaluation Phase in Progress

After submission of the Full Application Forms in September and finalisation of the administrative and eligibility check in mid-October, further **quality assessment of 32 Applications is to be performed in coming months**. It is planned to have a decision on award of the Grant in December.

Network Meeting of ENPI Programmes with participation of Russia

After successful joint participation in V St.Petersburg Innovation Forum within ECDay, **ENPI Programmes cooperating with Russian Federation** together with representatives from Interact gathered in Riga **on 25-26 October** to express their views and feedbacks on the joint event in St. Petersburg and the European Cooperation Day. Discussions touched on how to foster publicity of ENPI in the future. The team also exchanged ideas for **perspective joint activities** next year. Three Project sites were visited in Sigulda.