

Estonia – Latvia – Russia Cross Border Cooperation Programme within European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument 2007-2013

FACT SHEET, September, 2012

34 Full Application Forms submitted within 2nd Call for Proposals

12 September was the deadline for submission of Full Application Forms within 2nd Call for Proposals of the Programme. Out of 38 shortlisted Applicants after the Concept Note phase, **34 Full Applications were submitted to the Joint Technical Secretariat.** The assessment process is taking place, it is planned to take the award decision till the end of this year. Signing of Grant Contracts with successful Applicants is expected in the beginning of 2013.

September 2012 - experience of the first European Cooperation Day

21 September and dates around this day gathered almost 80 CBC Programmes in 281 events, that took place in the European Union and neighbouring countries to celebrate European Cooperation Day.

European Cooperation Day in ESTONIA began with planting Friendship Alley by all partners of the Project "GreenMan" in Tartu on 12 September. **Key Action took place on 21 September in Narva. Action "Two cities – Two friends"** were performed by four Programme supported Projects together with Ivangorod (Russia) and simultaneous activities as letting balloons to the air, paper floats in the Narva River and linking Fires took place on both sides of the Narva River.

European Cooperation Day in LATVIA began with the European Cooperation Day lecture in the University of Latvia on 12 September. Lecture gathered Master students studying international relations and Project "Cross Border E-archive" introduced them with digitalization of archive materials in Estonia, Latvia and Russia. **Key Action took place in Sigulda on 21 September under the slogan S!GULDA THRILLS AND COOPERATES.** "SVS Activetour", "Via Hanseatica" and "People with Nature" – 3 Programme supported projects performed in the public square in front of the newly renovated train station and attracted local public and visitors of the city with real skiing opportunity on real snow and with fascinating educative tasks to learn more about nature.

European Cooperation Day in RUSSIA began with the girls football match between FC Flora (Tallinn, Estonia) and Pechory (Russia) children and youth sport school team in Pechory on 20 September as an activity of the project "Cross Countries through Football". **Key Action took place in St.Petersburg on 26-28 September in cooperation with the Administration of St.Petersburg** and five ENPI CBC Programmes with participation of Russian Federation had a joint Exhibition stand and hold a joint Conference "Russia-EU cross-border cooperation – a tool to promote innovations" in the framework of the *St. Petersburg International Innovation Forum* which focused on «Innovations in the urban environment». Projects "ICT Baltic" and "INFROM", as well "MEDINF" were invited to introduce wide audience of the Forum to examples of the existing cooperation in the field of innovations and with the support of the Programme.

Programme and ECDay promotional lectures were held in Riga, Daugavpils, Valmiera, Tartu, Pskov and St.Petersburg. European Neighborhood and Partnership Instrument and our Programme were introduced to the student and teachers audiences. Projects "E-archive", "Border Light", "Green Man", "Tour de Latgale and Pskov" and "Via Hanseatica" were presented as an evidence of concrete cross border cooperation examples and providing first hand information about projects activities and impact to the regional development. Students appreciated a lot the participation of Projects in lectures.

All Programme's Promotional Projects were involved in European Cooperation Day activities throughout the Programme territory. Please visit www.estlatrus.eu, www.estlatrus.eu, www.estlatrus.eu, www.estlatrus.eu, www.estlatrus.eu and ECDay Facebook