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On the 3rd of November the INTERREG Joint Technical Secretariat organised the PARTNER SEARCH FORUM of the Lithuania, Poland and Kaliningrad Region of Russian Federation Neighbourhood Programme. The seminar was held in Vistytis, on the coast of Vistytis lake – a joining lake for Lithuania and Kaliningrad region and a very close location to the meeting point of Lithuania, Poland and Russia. Even 131 participants took part in the seminar: 60 from Lithuania, 58 from Poland and 13 from Kaliningrad region.

This forum was of particular urgency to potential applicants because of the recent launch of the INTERREG/TACIS call. The chairman of the Joint Monitoring and Steering Committee Mr Marijus Gudynas and the head of INTERREG Joint Technical Secretariat



Ms Aukse Bernadisiene greeted the participants of the forum and invited them to try and implement project ideas that come from the heart. The opening speeches were followed by the presentation by INTERREG JTS project manager Ms Agata Stosik on the results of the previous stages of the call for proposals within Neighbourhood Programme.

The participants of the forum were presented with the regional vision of good neighbourhood in the presentations by Pomorskie voivodship (Mr Tomasz Pactwa) and Marijampole region (Mr Valdas Tumelis) representatives.

Participants from 3 countries were provided with simultaneous interpretation into Lithuanian, Polish and Russian.

During the 2nd part of the forum, the participants had the possibility to search for partners in the partner search fair. Each organisation had a stand where every participant wishing to implement Neighbourhood Programme project together could leave their contact details or speak to the representatives of the organisation.



Also, the Auction of ideas was held. The participants presented their project ideas and discussed them with JTS project managers. They were also informed about the need for particular projects in different regions of the Programme area. Then all the applicants continued their discussions in work-groups, where they could discuss their project ideas with people having similar ideas.

47% of participants indicated that they had received information about the forum during informational events organised by JTS, regional information points (RIP) in Poland, and TACIS local support office in Kaliningrad. 27% got the information from the Programme web site: www.interreg3a.org, 9% were informed by RIPs, and 6% got e-mails. The others received information from TACIS office, Marijampole regional governor's administration, press, in person.

The 1st Lead Applicant Seminar, designated for partner search, was organised in Goldap, Poland on the 21st of June, the 2nd took place in Nemunaitis, Lithuania on the 24th of August. In general, 290 participants already took part in partner search events.



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