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# Main agenda items

- Sustainable Infrastructure Development
- Governance Models and Decision-making Processes
- Enhancing Northern Economies: Responsible Resource Development and Capacity Building
- Environmental Challenges



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# Conference Statement



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- Directed towards the governments, the Arctic Council, and the institutions of the EU





# Sustainable Infrastructure Development



- Closer Coast Guard Cooperation
- Improved cooperation on infrastructure development
- Energy – develop renewables, affordable energy
- Promote the creation of infrastructure to support food security



# Governance



- Involve the people living in the Arctic
- Importance of the Permanent Participants
- Role of observers in the Arctic Council
- Arctic Summit in 2016
- Support sustainable development, cultural activities and circumpolar mobility through University of the Arctic programs



# Economic development and capacity building



- Establish an Arctic Innovation System
- Relevant education and training
- Circumpolar Mobility Program
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Promote sustainable resource development by assessing multiple impacts



# Environmental Challenges



- Assess environmental, social and cultural benefits and impacts when developing natural resources
- Joint research related to oil drilling and transportation in Arctic waters
- Adaptation strategies to prepare societies for the consequences of climate change
- Continue the work of identifying particularly vulnerable Arctic areas





# Standing Committee of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region



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