



STANDING COMMITTEE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE ARCTIC REGION

Meeting in Rovaniemi, Finland
February (27) **28 - 29**, 2008

Wednesday, February 27 (Optional)

- Afternoon / Arrival in Rovaniemi
Evening Accommodation
Hotel Scandic Rovaniemi
Address: Koskikatu 23
- 19.15 Departure from the hotel by bus
- 19.30 Dinner
Restaurant Sky Ounasvaara

Thursday, February 28

(Morning until lunch optional)

- 9.30 Departure for the Arctic Centre by bus
- 9.45 Coffee
- 10.00 Information on the activities of the Centre, visit exhibition
Dr. Paula KANKAANPÄÄ, Director of the Arctic Centre
Meeting room Auditorium

Start of actual meeting

- 12.00 Lunch
- 12.45 **Meeting of Standing Committee and NRF**
Auditorium

- 13.30 **Joint meeting**
SCPAR / University of the Arctic Rectors' Forum
Meeting room Polarium
- Chairs:
Ms. Hill-Marta SOLBERG, Chair of the Standing Committee of Parliamentarians of the Arctic Region, Norway
Mr. Steven JONES, Chair of the Rectors' Forum Planning Committee, Chancellor of the University of Alaska, Fairbanks, USA
- Welcome: Dr. Mauri YLÄ-KOTOLA, Rector of the University of Lapland, Finland
- Keynote address: Mr. Pertti SALOLAINEN, Chair of Foreign Affairs Committee, Parliament of Finland
- Thematic Session 1: Adaptation to Climate Change**
- Dr. Grete K. HOVELSRUD, Senior Research Fellow, CICERO (Center for International Climate and Environmental Research, Oslo)
- Mr. Pekka AIKIO, President of Sami Parliament, Finland (tbc)
- Mr. Bob MILLS, Member of Parliament, Canada
- Discussion
- 15.30 Coffee break
- 16.00 – 17.30 **Thematic Session 2: Borders and Access to the Sea**
- Mrs. Diana WALLIS, Vice-President of the European Parliament
- Mr. Bernard COAKLEY, Geophysical Institute, University of Alaska, USA (Chair, ICARP II Working Group 4, Deep Central Basin of the Arctic Ocean)
- Dr Kari Hakapää, Professor in Public International Law, University of Lapland
- Discussion
- Sum-up of discussion by Chairs
- Closing comments: Dr. Lauri LAJUNEN, Rector of the University of Oulu, Finland
- 17.30 Return to the hotel by bus
- 19.15 Departure from the hotel by bus
- 19.30 **Dinner** hosted by Mr. Hannes MANNINEN, Chair of the Finnish delegation to the CPAR
Restaurant Santamus
Arctic Circle

Friday, February 29

- 8.45 Departure for the Arctic Centre by bus
- 9.00 **Meeting of Standing Committee**
Meeting room Aurora
- 12.00 Lunch
- 13.00 Bus transport to the airport (for those departing with flight AY 428 at 14.05)