

NGO program for the Nordic-Baltic countries Estonia, 2010

Budget:

- 1) Number of project applications – 16
- 2) Number of project granted – 8
- 3) Total amount granted – 333 333 DKK

	Project title/duration/	Partic.countries. Applying NGO, project leader. Nordic partners	Activities/ Goals/ Results
1.	Society and Agricultural Science	FIN, EST, LT, DK Est. Research Institute of Agriculture, Margit Raid University of Helsinki, FIN Research Institute of Biotechnology and Veterinary Medicine « Sigrá » LT, Aarhus University, Dept of Food Sciences DK	Conference, workshops. Development of sustainable food collaboration in the BS region. Developing research collaboration between N-B countries. Objectives of the project: bringing together representatives of research institutions within the field; form a platform for discussion with other stakeholders of society. Description of activities: Conference “Society and Agricultural Science” carried out 24.-25. March 2010 in Tallinn, EST.
2.	Presentation of “The molecular sieves for gas separating membranes”	EST, FIN. MTÜ RDgroup, Tallinn EST, University of Jyväskylä, Kokkola University Consortium Chydenius FIN, University of Oulu, Dept. of Chemistry FIN	Presentation of the molecular sieves for gas separating membranes project, NGO RDgroup Result: Presentation of the project was carried out in Finland and Sweden. Objectives of the project: Plan future cooperation with University of Oulu, and Kokkola University Consortium Chydenius, exchange of knowledge. Description of activities: Presenting a new technology to use in producing biofuel at the HighBio Seminar in Piteå. Meetings with scientists from the Nordic countries to plan the future cooperation in the biofuel production technologies.

3.	Small is sustainable – Estonian, Finnish and Latvian NGOs' cooperation for an eco-friendly lifestyle	EST, LV, FIN Estonian Women's Studies and Resource Centre, Tallinn EST, The Resource Center for Women "Marta" Riga LV, The Green Women's Association, Helsinki, FIN	Analysing the ecological footprint of men and women in Helsinki, Riga and Tallinn; developing methodology for this; spreading information. Increased awareness and knowledge, development of a common gender sensitive climate mitigation strategy. Analysis of the ecological footprint of men and women, issue of newsletter & spread of information. Objectives of the project: Assess the environmental impact of the consumption patterns of the populations in Helsinki, Tallinn & Riga by calculating ecological footprints. The project highlights gender aspects of consumption. Description of activities: collecting data on men's and women's ecological footprints; holding round-table meetings with stakeholders; awareness raising media campaign; issuing project newsletter and posting information on the web.
4.	Nordic and Baltic NGO Joint Project for Strengthening Ecological Education Between Youth	EST, LT, BLR, LV, FIN NGO Support Centre ARKTUR, EST, Young Conservative League, LT, Grodno Philanthropic Society, BLR, Association "PeROM", LV, Association "Humanitarian Perspective" LV, International organisation of young initiatives support Logrus, FI, Belarus NGO "EKODOM" BLR, Association "We Youth" LT	Study visits to Finland, Estonia, Latvia, online meetings, awareness-raising about eco-issues through informal education for youth. Network establishment, skills development, ideas exchanges. 15 youth workers, 15 youth leaders and 100 young people participated in the different workshops in Estonia, Finland, Latvia and online (organized by Belarus). Objectives of the project: to develop environmental outdoor learning methods; to integrate young people into the Nordic and Baltic environmental processes and raise awareness about ecology; to actively promote environmental education. Description of activities: Presentation about environment in 5 countries (EST, LV, LT, FI, BLR); workshops and discussions (in EST, FI...); studying visits to LV, experimental learning; series of online seminars in BLR; ecology lecture in Minsk
5.	Estonian legal features for use of green energy and the implementation of environment-friendly production	EST, FIN, ISL. Estonian Association of Lawyers, EST, ELSA Estonia, EST, Icelandic Bar Association NGO, ISL, LOGOS, ISL, Attorneys-at-law Juridia Ltd, FIN, Attorney-at-law Castrén & Snellman, FIN, Hammarström Puhakka Partners, FIN.	Study visits to Iceland and Finland to acquire knowledge & experience about environmental law. Training of 10 motivated lawyers in the field of renewable energy, awareness-raising (lawyers and local government leaders), networking. 10 members of Estonian Association of Lawyers have been on study trips to Icelandic Bar Association and Finland. 60 lawyers have participated in the local training. Objectives of the project: Acquisition of knowledge & experience about environmental law in Finland & Iceland; get an overview of possibilities & needs of implementing EU directives into national legal system; improve legal aid consultancy services in environmental law field in EST. Description of activities: Study visits to Iceland & Finland, local training.

6.	"Estlandssvenskt under strömmingsmarknaden" – participation of the Estonian Swedish sailing ship Runbjarn in the Helsinki Baltic Herring Fair	EST, FIN. MTÜ Puulaevaselts Vikan, EST, Tuglas-seura ry, FIN, Rannarootsi muuseum – Aibolands museum, EST, Working group Roselius – Gylling, FIN.	Sailing visit by Estonian (Estonian Swedish) ship Runbjarn to Helsinki Baltic Herring Fair to spread knowledge of Estonian Swedish seafaring & shipbuilding, and promote knowledge of the Baltic Sea as a multicultural sea. Successful visit to and spreading of information in Helsinki. Result: the Estonian Swedish sailing ship Runbjarn in the Helsinki Baltic Herring Fair for 1 week serving as a cultural center and a floating museum promoting sustainable development. Objectives of the project: Strengthen the historical knowledge of the multicultural past of the Northern Baltic Sea area and the concept of a uniting sea; to discuss the challenges of cultural tourism as a sustainable form of tourism. Description of activities: The ship functions as a cultural centre & museum at the fair in Helsinki which people can visit for free; arranging of concert & movie event; food tasting event; lecture on sustainable cultural tourism.
7.	Traditional sailing training, shipbuilding and Maritime heritage on Hiiumaa	EST, DK. MTÜ Halulaev, EST, Odden Traebådelaug, DK, Hiiu Purjelaeva Selts, EST, Puulaevaselts "Vikan", EST.	Study trips and workshops in Denmark, workshops in Haapsalu and on Hiiumaa. Networking, exchange of experience and best practice. Result: 10 persons participated in workshops on Zealand, developing of action plan and timetable for 2010-2014 on raising the community's competence, 8 seminars held during the trips. Objectives of the project: improved community awareness of maritime heritage and environment situation of the Baltic Sea; development of shipbuilding and sailing skills; development of action plan on building Hiiumaa schooner. Description of activities: study visits to DK with seminars & workshops; writing articles for local media and publishing on www.hiiumaa.ee.
8.	Co-operation of Estonia, Norway and Finland in energy efficient housing	EST, NO, FIN. Passiivmaja Infokeskus MTÜ, EST, Culminatum Innovation Oy, FIN, Seed Forum Norway Foundation, NO.	Study visits, setting up of long-term co-operation with Finnish and Norwegian clusters, finding information, informing wider civic society about passive housing. Attainment of know-how, set-up of strong co-operation. 2 visits, 2 agreements concluded, co-operation set up. Objectives of the project: Collecting information & know-how; meeting cluster managers; company match-making; spread of information; set up cross-border consulting. Description of activities: 2 visits to each country to meet cluster managers & companies; Company match-making; set up cross-border consulting to facilitate partner search & establishment of joint ventures.