



Committee on Budgetary Control
The Chairman

Brussels, 5 July 2013

**Delegation of the Budgetary Control Committee to
Kaliningrad,
7 - 9 July 2013**

PROGRAMME

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Languages covered

EN, RU

Members are informed that, according with article 6 of the Bureau decision on travel of the committee delegations, as amended on 13 March 2012, missions should take place during weeks set aside for external parliamentary activities and missions outside these weeks would only be provided with a limited language regime that may not exceed interpretation into one language.

Therefore the only interpretation to be provided for this delegation is into English.

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Transportation

The delegation will have a bus for the duration of the delegation visit.

Recommended flights of delegation**7 to July 2013***From Brussels to Kaliningrad*

18:15 BRU – 23:50 KGD - 1 stop Riga (journey time 4h 35)

9 of July 2013*From Kaliningrad to Brussels*

15:55 KGD – 18:40 BRU – 1 stop Berlin (journey time 3h 45m)

Main objectives of the delegation:

This delegation follows up the interest of CONT in the system of (traditional) own resources, collected by Member States on behalf of the EU, and the customs control systems and aims to find how these procedures are implemented in the EU external Polish-Russian border crossing point of Grzechotki-Momonowo.

Special attention will be paid to the fight against counterfeit production and cigarettes smuggling and other goods in the context of the protection of the Union's financial interests.

Kaliningrad "enclave" has been also the recipient of EU funds since 1991. TACIS and other EU instruments have provided over EUR 100 000 000 for projects in the region. A special envelope of EUR 25 000 000 under TACIS was created in 2004 to support economic and social development.

Furthermore Kaliningrad is included in cross border programmes in the period 2007-13 and the EU is a major donor to the Northern Dimension Environmental Partnership Support Fund which helps finance environment related projects.

The CONT delegation aims therefore to assess the control of the implementation of such funds in the region including the cost-effectiveness of those Union financing instruments.

I. Sunday 7 July 2013

- 16:15 Arrival in Brussels airport
- 18:15 Departure from Brussels airport
- 23.50 Arrival in Kaliningrad; transfer to hotel

II. Monday 8 July 2013

Visit to the project "Mamonovo II Border Crossing", meetings with Customs Authorities and Frontex agency

- 09.00 Transfer from the hotel to the crossing point of Grzechotki-Mamonowo
- 10.00 Meeting with the Russian Customs Administration and project visit: "Mamonovo II Border Crossing" (Mamonovo/Grzechotki design and construction of the border crossing point (13.3 million EUR) (TBC)
- 11.00 Meeting with the Polish Customs Administration (in the Polish border) (NB different time zone) and continuation of the project visit: "Mamonovo II Border Crossing"
- 12.00 Meeting with **Mr. Javier Quesada**, Head of Risk Analysis Unit - European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union (Frontex) (NB different time zone)
- 13.00 Transfer from the Polish border to Kaliningrad
- 14.00 Arrival in Kaliningrad
- 14.00 Lunch

Meeting with representatives of the regional authorities

- 16.00 Welcome Speech **K.V. Suslov**, Deputy Chairman of the Government of the Kaliningrad Region
- 16.05 Welcome Speech **M.E. Orgeeva**, Chairman of the Kaliningrad Regional Duma
- 16.10 Speech **Jan Mulder**, Head of delegation of the EP Committee on Budgetary Control
- 16.15 Presentation of economic capacity of the Kaliningrad region
A.L. Kuznetsova, Minister of economy of the Kaliningrad region
- 16.40 **A.G. Ivanova**, Minister – Head of the Agency on international and interregional relations of the Kaliningrad region.
- 16.50 Questions & Answers
- 17.00 Joint press conference in the Government of the Kaliningrad region

Venue: Ulitsa Dmitriya Donskogo 1, office. 203, Kaliningrad

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Free dinner arrangements

III. Tuesday 9 July 2013

Visit to 3 Tacis Projects in the Kaliningrad Region

- 9:00 Transfer from the hotel
- 9:10 Visit to LTCP Long Term Control Plan and the drug treatment hospital.
Project 2011/263-372 Taking up the challenge: Developing services to contain the spread of HIV and TB among injecting drug users in Kaliningrad oblast (330 715 EUR)

Venue: Kaliningrad drug treatment hospital, ul. Barnaulskaya 6a, main entrance, ground floor - "Time"

- 10:00 Press Point (TBC)
- 10:20 Transfer to Zelenogradsk
- 11:00 Visit to Zelenogradsk pumping station. Project 2009/133-244 Zelenogradsk pumping station (part of Kaliningrad Waste Water in Small Towns) (9,5 million EUR)
- 12:30 Visit to Bicycle trail / Curonian Spit. Project 2007/138-267 Creation of cross-border bicycle trail along the old post road on Curonian Spit: Eurovelo-Baltica (201 942 EUR)

Venue: Curonian Spit National Park, Kaliningrad Region

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- 14:00 End of delegation visit
- 14:30 Arrival to Kaliningrad Airport**
- 15:55 Departure from Kaliningrad Airport
- 18:40 Arrival in Brussels airport