

**16<sup>th</sup>** SEPTEMBER 2004

THURSDAY

Arktikum, the Provincial museum of Lapland, Rovaniemi, Finland

“Stimulating and managing new firm creation and entrepreneurship through local action in remote rural areas with dispersed populations”

**Morning Agenda**

**8:45** Registration: tea and coffee

**9:15** **Mr Andrew Chapman**, DG Employment & Social Affairs, European Commission  
*Local Employment Development & IDELE: the Commissions Perspective*

**9:30** **Prof. Peter Lloyd**, Independent Consultant, Peter Lloyd Associates  
*What are we trying to do in the IDELE work programme?*

**9:45** **Prof. John Bryden**, Co-Director, Arkleton Institute, University of Aberdeen  
*Stimulating Entrepreneurship in Remote Rural Areas - trends and the scope for local action using partnerships*

**10:10** **Mr Gerry McAlinden**, Development Consultant  
*Rural Development in the Baltics: Starting to Build the Local Development Agenda*

**10:25** Questions

**10:45** **Break:** tea and coffee

**11:15** **Parallel Workshop Session 1:**

*Regional & Local Economic Strategies: how partnerships can contribute*

Workshop 1	Workshop 2
<b>Facilitator:</b> John Bell, Director of Social Policy, ECOTEC Research & Consulting	<b>Facilitator:</b> Dr Frans van der Zee, Senior Economist / Consultant ECORYS-NL
<b>Project Presentation:</b> Mr Ian Leaver, Development Co-ordinator, Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust, Scotland.	<b>Project Presentation:</b> Mr Kimmo Pörhö, Project Manager, Networking Innovators Project, Finland.

## Afternoon Agenda

**12:15 Lunch**

**1:30 Dr Frans van der ZEE**, Senior Consultant/Economist, Regional and Urban Development, ECORYS Nederland BV.  
*Improving Services to Rural Communities: electronic communications & broadband in remote and rural areas in Lithuania*

**1:45 Ms Dace Grinberga**, Head of Regional Development Centre, Tukums District Council - Riga Regional Development Agency.  
*New Member State Perspective: stimulating entrepreneurship in rural Latvia*

**2:00 Parallel Workshop Session 2:**

*Comparative Advantage: using cultural heritage and natural resources to stimulate entrepreneurship*

Workshop 3	Workshop 4
<b>Facilitator:</b> John Bell, Director of Social Policy, ECOTEC Research & Consulting	<b>Facilitator:</b> Dr Frans van der Zee, Senior Economist / Consultant ECORYS-NL
<b>Project Presentation:</b> Ms Eva Castro Dominguez, Project SENDA, Centro Europeo de Información y Animación Rural de Galicia, Spain	<b>Project Presentation:</b> Mr Miikka Raulo, Director, Lapland Centre of Expertise for the Experience Industry, Finland.

**3:00 Break:** tea and coffee

**3:30 Round-Table Discussion** facilitated by **Prof Peter Lloyd**

**4:30 Thanks and the future,** evening meal, expenses, etc...

**4:40 End**

**5:00 Tour of the Arktikum museum** (provisional)