

## **Priorities of Swedish Chairmanship in the WGYP and outline of activities 2010-11**

### ***Priorities***

Overarching priorities of the Swedish chairmanship will be to further promote young people's active citizenship and strengthen the networks and international contacts of young people and youth organisations. The role of the Barents Youth Cooperation Office will be paid special attention.

The Swedish chairmanship will work to implement the recommendations from of the Conference of Ministers of Youth Policy held in Murmansk in September of 2009. An important task will be to develop a new Plan of Action for the work of the WGYP. Other important priorities will be to enhance cooperation with relevant working groups within the Barents Euro-Arctic Council and the Barents Regional Council, as well as with other cooperation structures in the region.

During 2010 the focus of the work of the WGYP will be to develop a new Plan of Action based on the principles and observations and conclusions from the second Conference of the Ministers responsible for youth policy in the Barents Euro-Arctic region.

During 2011 focus will be on the implementation of this new plan of action and investigating the possibilities of an event in order to promote the themes of the new Plan of action. This will be planned in close cooperation with the Barents Regional Youth Council and Regional Working Group on Youth Issues.

Continuous activities will include to support and secure the activities of the Barents Youth Cooperation Office, and finding possible points of cooperation with other relevant working groups.

### ***Activities***

#### **2010**

- 2 WGYP meetings and joint meetings with RWGYI and BRYC, in Luleå (Feb) and Stockholm (Autumn)
- First meeting to investigate the possibilities of a Swedish Presidency Youth Event

#### **2011**

- 2 WGYP meetings and joint meetings with RWGYI and BRYC.
- Preparatory meetings for the Youth Event.
- Swedish Presidency Youth Event in (Spring 2011)