

# NSPA Forum

15.-16. May 2019, Tromsø  
Scandic Ishavshotell, Tromsø

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## WEDNESDAY 15 MAY

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| <b>12:00 - 13:30</b> | <b>Registration and lunch</b>   |
| <b>13:30 - 13:45</b> | <b>Welcoming words</b><br><i>Willy Ørnebakk, Chair of Troms County Government</i>   |
| <b>13:45 – 14:30</b> | <b>NSPA chair 2019 – 2020, and the EU budget 2021 - 2027</b><br><i>Nils-Olof Lindfors, Regional Councillor, Region Norrbotten</i><br><br><i>Satu Vehreävesa, Director for Regional Development, Regional Council of Pohjois-Savo</i><br><br><i>Mikael Janson, Director of North Sweden European Office</i>  |
| <b>14:30 - 15:30</b> | <b>Regional aspects of the EU Arctic Policy, and the follow-up of the OECD-report and Arctic Stakeholder Forum process</b><br><i>Kari Alto, Director of North-East Finland European Office</i><br><br><i>Nils Kristian Sørheim Nilsen, Director of North Norway European Office</i><br><br><i>Mikael Janson, Director of North Sweden European Office</i>   |
| <b>15:30 - 15:45</b> | <b>Coffee break</b>   |
| <b>15:45 – 16:15</b> | <b>Panel discussion with participation from political level</b>   |
| <b>16.15 – 17.15</b> | <b>A regional labour market and competence development in the NSPA - how to achieve the right mix and movement?</b><br><b>Can Interreg be a part of the solution?</b><br><br><i>Ingrid Abrahamsen, Senior Advisor, Bedriftskompetanse AS / Project Manager - Work mobility on Nordkalotten (Interreg Nord-project)</i><br><br><i>Niko Finnila and Elina Toiviainen, Oulu Vocational College, The Finnish Project Management - Work mobility on Nordkalotten</i> |

<b>17:15</b>	<b>End of day</b>
<b>17:20 – 18:30</b>	<b>NSPA Steering Group meeting</b>
<b>18:30</b>	<b>Visit to Ølhallen</b> An iconic pub established in 1928, at Mack - the worlds' northernmost brewery.
<b>20.00</b>	<b>Dinner at Scandic Ishavshotel</b> Local meat and delicacies from the North Sea, with a panorama view over Tromsø.

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## **THURSDAY 16 MAY**

<b>09:00 - 10:30</b>	<b>Arctic Investment Platform</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• AIP process update <i>Johannes Lith, Project Manager - Arctic Investment Platform, Regional Council of Lapland</i></li><li>• Discussion: How the regions best can contribute to the establishment of the AIP? <i>With participation from political level from the various regions</i></li></ul>
<b>10:30 - 10:45</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>10:45 - 11:30</b>	<b>The road ahead for the NSPA, summary and closing remarks</b>
<b>11:30</b>	<b>Lunch and departure</b>

*Flight to Oslo/Brussels departing at 13:50. Several other options to Oslo later that day.*