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Seagull is a project for the Euroregion Baltic (ERB) with the main purpose of developing and anchoring a long-term strategy and a joint transnational development programme (JTDP) for the region. The programme will form the basis for future investments in the environment and infrastructure, etc. It will thereby contribute to social, economic and environmentally sustainable development throughout the region.

Dear reader,

This is the first number of a Seagull Newsletter that we from now on plan to publish electronically every 2-4 week pending on the amount of news from the project implementation.

The newsletter will be kept very short and contain only headlines of activities carried out since the last newsletter, and coming activities some one month ahead.

The letter will be sent to all persons interested in the implementation of the Seagull project. We appreciate if you forward it to persons you think would be interested to read it. You are also welcome to help us with additional e-mail addresses. Please, mail them to Mr. Erik Ciardi.

Activities carried out:

During the summer period a number of draft reports from the project have been compiled:

- Regional strategies in the ERB regions
- Democracy in ERB
- Gender Equality in ERB
- Results of an Inquiry to Existing Science Parks/Centres in ERB
- Review of Existing Links between Science Parks/Centres in ERB
- Review of Existing Studies of Innovation Policies in the ERB Countries
- Rural Areas in ERB – Empiric Description.

The draft reports will later be available on www.eurobalt.org

Up-coming activities:

- Seagull Steering Committee meeting in Klaipeda, Lithuania 2003-08-07.
- Meeting with Swedish ERB Board and Council members in Växjö, Sweden 2003-08-12.
- Project information to the Executive Board of the Mörbylånga Municipality, Sweden 2003-08-12.
- Swedish Project Secretariat meeting in Karlskrona, Sweden 2003-08-20.
- Information and consultation meeting between the project managements of Seagull, SEBTrans Link, Baltic Gateway and South Baltic Arc projects on Bornholm, Denmark 2003-08-28.
- ERB Council meeting on Bornholm 2003-08-29.
- Seagull Progress report no. 2 to the BSR INTERREG III B Secretariat in Rostock, Germany latest 2003-08-31.

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