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<b>Title</b>	EUSBSR Seed Money Facility letters of support issued during 2013
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<b>Summary / Note</b>	This document provides an overview of the projects the NDPHS has issued letters of support to.
<b>Requested action</b>	For information

## **EUSBSR Seed Money Facility Letters of Support issued during 2013**

### **Background**

The European Union Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) Seed Money Facility provides funding for preparing regional projects that contribute to one of the Priority Areas or Horizontal Actions in the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) Action Plan. Project partners that receive seed money funding are supposed to draft a project plan that can be further developed into an application to any of the EU or national funding sources, e.g., the European Structural and Investment Funds programmes 2014-2020.

Applicants to the EUSBSR Seed Money Facility must submit a letter of support from the relevant EUSBSR Priority Area Coordinator. In the case of health and social well-being related projects, the Priority Area Health (PA Health) Coordinator, the Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being (NDPHS), issues the letter of support.

### **Purpose of the letter of support**

By issuing a letter of support, the NDPHS confirms the following:

- a. The proposed seed money project is supposed to help develop a regional project, which, if granted funding, would contribute to achieving the objectives of specific actions of Priority Area Health;
- b. The project application demonstrates a realistic approach to developing a high quality full project application within the field of health and/or social well-being;
- c. The objective of the envisaged project is important in realizing the overall objective of PA Health.

### **Letters issued in 2013**

The following is a summary of the support letters the NDPHS issued during 2013. The Secretariat screened and helped further develop a total of 9 applications during April and September. Of these, 8 were sent to the NDPHS Expert Groups and Task Groups for comments. Three applications (marked in yellow) were exempt from the EG/TG review because the applications came from one of the EGs/TGs. All 8 applications submitted to the EGs/TGs for comments were supported and subsequently were issued letters of support. One application (submitted within the latest call for grant applications) has not been granted a letter of support.

One project (marked in green) was awarded seed funding from the April round of applications. The Secretariat expects one of the 7 remaining applications will receive funding as a result of the September round of applications. Results will be available by the end of the year.

## EUSBSR Seed Money Facility Letters of Support 2013

EUSBSR Action (Corresponding EG/TG)	Country	Organization	Project name and Contribution to the region	Notes
Containing the spread of HIV/AIDS, TB (HIV/AIDS&AI EG)	PL	National AIDS Centre	<b>Strengthening prevention and reduction of impacts of HIV/AIDS and associated infections in the Baltic Sea Region by joint international activities</b> Developing and facilitating cooperation among countries in sharing challenges and effective solutions for particular key populations.	Awarded in first round
	RU	Kaliningrad regional non-governmental youth organisation "Young Leaders' Army" (YLA)		
	FI	Filha (Finnish Lung Health Association)		
Preventing lifestyle NCDs (NCD EG)	DE	Flensburg University of Applied Sciences	<b>MyHealthCoach - Managing lifestyle changes supported by personal and IT-enabled guidance of teenagers and young adults living in families with low income</b> Using the successes of former PA Health Flagship Projects to approach the lifestyle choices among youth in low income families using innovative new technologies.	Letter issued April 2013. Automatically reconsidered in second round
	LV	National Health Service		
	NO	University Hospital North Norway, Norwegian Centre for Integrated Care and Telemedicine		
Health inequalities (PPHS EG)	LV	National Health Service	<b>INTEGBALT: Integrated care for senior citizens around the Baltic Sea</b> Developing a sustainable, integrated system of care for elderly people with chronic diseases.	Letter issued Sep 2013
	SE	NDPHS Secretariat		
	FI	Health District of Northern Savo; responsible unit: The Unit of Primary Health Care		
	LT	Klaipeda University		
Work environments (OSH EG)	LV	Riga Stradins University	<b>Reliable occupational accident registration - indicator for prevention</b> Creating a reliable system of information and by informing policy makers in the BAR about the real number of work related accidents, enabling the region to take target-oriented measures towards better prevention of work place accidents.	Letter issued Sep 2013
	FI	Finnish Ministry of Social Affairs and Health		
	FI	Finnish Institute for Occupational Health (FIOH)		
	DE	Cooperation Centre Hamburg (KOOP)		

Health inequalities (PPHS EG)	SE	County Council of Västerbotten	<b>Rural medicine goes to town!</b> Conveying the efficiency and cost effectiveness of primary healthcare as developed when responding to dramatic demographic changes in rural areas to make full use of the existing expertise knowledge, both for rural areas as well as for urban areas.	Letter issued Sep 2013
	NO	National Centre of Rural Medicine		
	DK	Hospital of Southern Jutland		
	SV	University of Skövde		
Health inequalities (PPHS EG)	DE	Housing Initiative for Eastern Europe (IWO e.V.)	<b>Housing for the Elderly - Barrier-free Large Housing Estates in the Baltic Sea Region</b> Developing strategies and concepts on how to adapt present housing estates in the BSR to address deficiencies in the living situation for the elderly and vulnerable people, which would help to ensure equal access to healthcare and social services and also enable vulnerable populations to remain active in their communities.	Letter issued Sep 2013
	PL	Residential Building Cooperative "PRAGA"		
	LT	Klaipeda City Municipality Administration		
	LV	Riga City Council		
	EE	Estonian Union of Cooperative Housing Associations		
Social environments and healthcare inequalities (NCD/PPHS EGs)	DK	The Municipality of Næstved; Center for Daycare and Center Strategy and Innovation	<b>Preparatory Project for: Cross National and Professional Development on Methods for Early Supportive Measures for Children in Families and Day Care</b> Supporting children and families under socioeconomic stress through building a bridge between an educational, health oriented perspective and family development techniques on a group therapy basis.	Letter issued Sep 2013.
	DE	National Association for Health Promotion in Schleswig-Holstein		
	DE	Public Health and Care, Kreis Plön		
	LT	Alytus city municipality administration; Alytus City Social Service Center		
	PL	Sopot City Hall, Health and Social Department		
	DE	Neuland Employment Agency		

Containing the spread of HIV/AIDS, TB (HIV/AIDS&AIEG)	FI	Baltic Region Healthy Cities Association	Fight feminization of HIV/AIDS in the Baltic Sea Region through education and evidence-based policy making Addressing the issue of the increasing feminization of the HIV/AIDS in the BSR by working alongside a range of actors to improve education, prevention, treatment and policy making.	Letter issued Sep 2013
	RU	Women's Health in St. Petersburg Kaliningrad regional non-governmental youth organisation		
	RU	"Young Leaders' Army" (YLA)		
	BY	NGO PBA Positive Movement		
	PL	SKA - Social AIDS Committee		