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Council of Baltic Sea States (CBSS)	Project Support Facility (PSF)	To develop projects, can be used as cr funding, bridging and pre-financing. Development and implementation of Baltic Sea macro-regional cooperation, show impact in regional cooperation and foster longterm partnerships.		Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Russia, Sweden	2013-2016 (possible in 2017 as well)	The project must cover at least three CBSS Member States. Lead partner must be from CBSS Member State.	Public or public equivalent body from Baltic Sea Region	EUR 1 million + EUR 80 000 as volunteering contribution of the BSR Member States for the year 2016	Seed money	EUR 10,000 - 50,000 10%	http://www.cbss.org/project-support- facility/
Arctic Council (AC)  ARCTIC COUNCIL	Project Support Instrument (PSI)	The PSI is a financing instrument established for the purpose of mobilizing and channeling financing for specific Arctic Council projects.	Pollution prevention, abatment and elimination	Arctic Region	2014-2019	Financing from the PSI can only be provided for projects, which have been approved by the Artic Council and are action/investment-oriented.	Financing may be requested by Projec Steering Groups, project owners or other relevant stakeholders.	EUR 15.9 million	Seed money, grant, contigent grant, loan on concessional terms		http://nefco.org/work-us/our- services/grants/arctic-council-project- support-instrument
Nordic Council of Ministers (NCM)  Nordic Council of Ministers	The Arctic Cooperation Programme http://www.nordregio.se/arcticprogramme	Support processes, projects and initiatives that will help promote sustainable development and benefit the people of the Arctic under the conditions generated by globalisation and climate change.	People Sustainable economic development Environment, nature and climate Education and skills enhancement	Arctic Region	Depends on the project	LP needs to be Nordic; 3 Nordic partners required	Various	DKK 6 million in 2016	Project support	Varies	http://www.norden.org/en/nordic- council-of-ministers/ministers-for-co- operation-mr-sam/the-arctic/the-nord- council-of-ministers-arctic-co-operation- programme-2015-2017
	Journalists' Co-operation Programme	Studies, workshopes and courses on the theme	Journalism in modern democracy, neighborly relations between Nordic countries and North-West Russia	Nordic countries and Northwest Russia	2016-2017	Research: Educational institutions and research organizations	Research: main applicant - project leader of an existing NCoE project. Russian co-applicant obligatory	DKK 4,8 million in the program period	Grant	Maximum: NOK 3 million	http://www.norden.org/en/nordic- council-of-ministers/ministers-for-co operation-mr-sam/russia/nordic-co- operation-with-russia/proghrammy- programmes/zhurnalistskoie- sotrudnichiestvo-journalists2019-co- http://www.norden.org/en/nordic-
	The Research and Education Programme	Mobility among staff and students, networking, jouint courses and other activities; focus on long-term cooperation	Education and research (students and institutions)		2012-2017			DKK 14 million in 2016- 2017			council-of-ministers/ministers-for-co operation-mr-sam/russia/nordic-co- operation-with-russia/proghrammy- programmes/proghramma-v-sfierie- nauki-i-obrazovaniia-research-and-
	NORDBUK	Activities that involve children and young people in ways that enable then to influence the planning, running and evaluation of the project. For children and young people under the age of 30	Strengthening youth and children's participation and influence in political processes, organizing capabilitites and Nordic identity	Nordic countries; North-West Russian and Baltic partners accepted	2013-2017	Either 3 equal Nordic partners or 2 equal Nordic partners of which 1 from Åland, the Faroe Islands, Greenland, Iceland or the North Calotte (Nordland, Troms and Finnmark, Norrbotten and Lapland).	Organisations, networks, and other legal entities that consist of or work with children and young people at national, regional or local level	Est. DKK 4 million per year	Grant	€7,500 to €25,000; at least 15% of total budget needs to be funded from another source	http://www.kulturkontaktnord.org/en/g nts/nordbuk-grant-programme
	The NGO Programme		Social and health Culture Environment Development of democracy	Nordic countries, Northwest Russia, Baltic states, Poland and Belarus	2006-	At least 1 Nordic, 1 Estonian/Latvian/Lithuanian. Polish and 1 Northwest Russian/Belarussian partner	must be NGOs.	DKK 6 million annually	Seed money	Max. 500 000 DKK/project/year	http://www.norden.org/en/nordic- council-of-ministers/ministers-for-co operation-mr-sam/russia/apply-for- funding/nordic-council-of-ministers20 funding-programme-for-ngos-in-the- baltic-sea-region/ngo-programme-for the-baltic-sea-region-how-to-apply-fo
	Thematic Programme for Environment and Climate	Focus lies on establishment of networks and exchange of experiences; spreading of best practices, raising awareness, technology transfer etc	Environment and climate	Nordic countries: Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Faroe Islands, Greenland, Åland; Russian regions: Arkhangelsk, Kaliningrad, Komi, Nenets, Leningrad, Murmansk, Pskov, Karelia, St. Petersburg	2017-	Lead partner must be a legal entity from a Nordic country; at least 2 Nordic and 1 Russian partner	Regional or municipal authorities, universities, research institutions, indigenous organizations and NGO's	EUR 830 000 years 2017 2018	7. Grant	30 000 - 200 000 EUR; Russian partners (except NGO's) need to co-finance 30%	http://www.norden.org/en/nordic- council-of-ministers/ministers-for-co operation-mr-sam/russia/nordic-co- operation-with-russia/proghrammy- programmes/tiematichieskaia- proghramma-po-okruzhaiushchiei- sriedie-i-klimatu-thematic-programm for-environment-and-climate/
	Thematic Programme for Health Promotion and Prevention	Focues lies on establishment of networks and exchange of experiences	Health issues with a cross-border impact or the Nordic countries and North-West Russia	Nordic countries: Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Faroe Islands, Greenland, Åland: Russian regions:	2016-		Public sector entities, NGO's and business associations	DKK 6 million in 2016	Grant	Russian partners (except	Health Promotion and Prevention Programme
	The Open Call Programme	Supplements already existing programmes: fostering closer relationships between North-West Russia and Nordic countries	Various themes: establishment of networks, exchange of experiences	Arkhangelsk, Kaliningrad, Leningrad, Murmansk, Pskov, Karelia, St. Petersburg	2016-	Lead partner must be Nordic; altogether at least 3 partners, of which 2 from different Nordic countries and one Russian	Local and regional authorities, civil society, educational institutions, think tahnks and business organizations	EUR 806 000 in 2016	Grant	NGO's) need to co finance 30%	http://www.norden.org/en/nordic- council-of-ministers/ministers-for-co operation-mr-sam/russia/nordic-co operation-with-russia/podat-zaiavku- finansirovaniie-apply-for- funding/proghramma-otkrytogho-
Northern Dimension  Northern Dimension Environmental Partnership	Northern Dimension Environmental Partnership (NDEP)	To tackle the most pressing environmental problems in the Northern Dimension area	Environmental window Wastewater treatment, municipal and agricultural solid waste management, and energy efficiency  Nuclear window Spent nuclear fuel and radioactive waste management	- North-West Russia and Belarus	2001-2020		Environmental window Municipal companies providing water/wastewater, district heating and waste management  Nuclear window State/regional authorities	Environmental window EUR 180.6 million  Nuclear window EUR 166.6 million	Environmental window Financing structure combines loans, grants and local budget funding  Nuclear window Grant		http://www.ndep.org
NORTHERN DIMENSION PARTNERSHIP ON CULTURE	Northern Dimension Partnership on Culture (NDPC)	To strengthen the CCI sector in the ND area by facilitating platform, network, event and product development via supporting a number of flagship CCI projects	Cultural and creative industries (CCI)	Northern Dimension area	2012-2014, no funds for 2016-2017	Leading partner should have partners from as many ND area countries as possible, should be able to successfully carry out the project, report; ability of continuation after the grant.	SMEs and NGOs working with culture and creative industries	EUR 290,000	Grant	EUR 7,000 - 30,000	http://www.ndpculture.org
Nurthern Denemon Partnership on Transport and Logistics	Northern Dimension Partnership on Transport and Logistics (NDPTL)	To provide financing for projects (mainly implementation) with a regional dimension and create added value	Improvement of major transport connections and logistics	Northern Dimension area	2012-2019		One or more NDPTL Member State and/or international organisations, joint undertakings or public or private undertakings, with the agreement of the NDPTL Member State(s) concerned	EUR 3 million	Grant	up to now EUR 140,000 - 500,000 Minimum 50%	http://www.ndptl.org
Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being	Northern Dimension Partnership in Public Health and Social Well-being (NDPHS)	To promote sustainable development by improving people's health and social well-being	To reduce the spread of major communicable diseases and prevent lifestyle related non-communicable diseases; To enhance peoples' levels of social wellbeing and to promote healthy and socially rewarding lifestyles.  Prevention of lifestyle-related non-communicable diseases.	Northern Dimension area	2013-	See Chapter IV (http://www.ndphs.org/inter nalfiles/File/Regulations/Fin ancial_Rules_of_NDPHS_S ecretariat.pdf	See Chapter IV (http://www.ndphs.org/internalfiles/Fi e/Regulations/Financial_Rules_of_ND PHS_Secretariat.pdf	Approx. EUR 200,000	Grant	Decided on case-by-case basis	http://www.ndphs.org
EU'S ENI CBC Programmes  KARELIA   CBC		To strengthen the cross-border cooperation for the benefit of the development of participating regions	Business and SME development Culture Environment Border management and security	Core regions: Kainuu, North-Karelia and Oulu Region from Finland and Republic of Karelia from Russia. Adjoining regions: Murmansk, Arkhangelsk and Leningrad Regions from Russia and Lapland, North-Savo, South-Savo and South Karelia from Finland	2014-2020	Minimum requirement for the partnerships: one partner from Russia and one partner from Finland (from programme area).	Legal entities established in the programme area or international organisations with a base of operations in the programme area	EUR 43 million	Grant	Limits for the size of grant defined in each call for proposal's guidelines. Minimum requirement for the applicants co-financing 10%	http://www.kareliacbc.fi

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Kolarctic  Kolarctic  CBC   CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION	The Kolarctic CBC Programme	The overall aim of the Programme is to promote viable economy and attractiveness of the region, where inhabitants and visitors are enjoying the arctic nature and where the natural resources are used in a sustainable way.	Priority axis 1: Viability of arctic economy, nature and environment. Priority axis 2. Fluent mobility of people, goods and knowledge. Thematic objectives (4): Business and SME development. Environmental protection, climate change mitigation and adaptation. Improvement of accessibility to the regions, development of sustainable and climate-proof transport and communication networks and systems. Promotion of border management and border security, mobility and migration management.	Core regions: Lapland, Norrbotten, Finnmark, Troms, Nordland, Murmansk Oblast, Archangelsk Oblast, Nenets Autonomous District. Adjoining regions: Oulu, Västerbotten, Karelia, Komi	2014-2020	Each project should have at least one partner from the participating Member State (Finland or Sweden) and one from the participating partner country (Russia). Bilateral projects between Russia and Norway are possible within the oil and gas industry and fisheries, when there is no possibility to find relevant partners from Finland or Sweden. Bilater projects will be financed by Norwegian and Russian National financing.	Legal entitities established in the Programme area. Also partners from the outside of the Programme may participate when the activities are defined for Barents cooperation or support of Euro-Arctic development	EUR 63.4 million	Grant	Community funding (50%) and National co-financing (50%),  Large Infrastructure Projects (LIPs): Community contribution (EU) 50%, Finnish or Russian State co-financing 50%. Norwegian co-financing possible with Norwegian partners. Own contribution minimum 10%.	http://www.kolarctic.fi
EU's Interreg Programmes  Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme  2014-2020	The Northern Periphery and Arctic Programme (NPA)		Promoting innovations and entrepreneurship Renewable energy and energy efficiency Cultural and natural heritage	Finland, Ireland, Sweden, Norway, the UK (Scotland and Northern Ireland), the Faroe Islands, Iceland and Greenland (ambition to involve Russian and Canadian partners on a project-by-project basis)	2014-2020	At least 3 partners from 3 different NPA countries, of which at least one EU Member State. LP may only be from EU MS, Norway or Iceland.	Public and private organisations from the programme area (exceptionally also from outside the area)	EUR 88 million (incl. national co- financing)	Grant	EUR 250,000 - 2 million (total budget) Co-financing rate in EU Member States - at least 35% Norway - up to 50%	www.interreg-npa.eu
Nord	Interreg North		Research and innovation Entrepreneurship Culture and environment Joint labour markets	Finland, Sweden and Norway	2014-2020	At least partners from 2 programme area countries, of which one EU Member State. LP normally from Finland or Sweden.	Public and private organisations from the programme area (exceptionally also from outside the area)	EUR 83 million (incl. national co- financing)	Grant	No formal limits.  Normally max. EUR 1 million (total budget). Co-financing rate in EU MS at least 35%, in Norway up to 50%	http://www.interregnord.com
Interreg Baltic Sea Region	The Interreg Baltic Sea Region Programme		Innovation Efficient management of natural resources Sustainable transport Institutional capacity for macro-regional cooperation	Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Sweden and northern parts of Germany as well as Norway, Belarus and the North- Western District of Russia	2014-2020	At least 3 partners from 3 different BSR countries per project. LP may only be from EU MS located in BSR or Norway.	Local, regional, national authorities, research and training institutions, sectoral agencies and associations, NGOs, enterprises from the programme area (exceptioally also from outside the area)	EUR 278.6 million	Grant	No formal limits. Approx. EUR 300,000 - 4 million Denmark, Finland, Germany, Sweden at least 25% Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland at least 15% Norway up to 50%	http://www.interreg-baltic.eu
Norwegian Barents Secretariat		Strengthening people-to-people contacts and economic cooperation between Norway and Russia in the north.	Culture, Youth, Education, Industrial and commercial development, Sports, Indigenous Peoples, Environment, Media and Civil Society	Northern Norway and Northwestern Russia. The NBS finances Norwegian- Russian project activities implemented in the Barents Region.	Running	Norwegian-Russian Barents projects, or to Norwegian & Russian participation in multilateral projects in the region. The applicant must be Norwegian.	Public institutions, private companies, foundations and organizations.	NOK 33 million annually	Grant	Case by case (from very small to quite large contributions)	http://www.barents.no
Swedish Institute Swedish Institute.  European Bank for Reconstruction		To pre-finance and develop projects in line with the EUSBSR Action Plan and the Eastern Partnership. Can be used as co-funding and bridging.	Environment and energy Social issues and health Civil safety and security Innovation and regional development	Sweden, Poland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Ukraine, Russia, Belarus. Georgia and Moldova (higher education).	2014-2017	Swedish lead beneficiary.  A minimum of three partners and three participating countries.	Municipalities, regions, regional and county councils, government agencies, institutions of higher education and research institutes, business and trade associations, companies and NGOs.		Seed money	Approx. EUR 1,000 - 47,000 (SEK 10,000 - 440,000)	https://eng.si.se
and Development (EBRD)*  European Bank for Reconstruction and Development		Loan, equity and guarantee in support of investment projects	Support of diversification Innovation Regional development Private sector growth	34 countries including all CIS countries		Not tied	Foreign and local, private and state- owned companies		Loans, equity investments and guarantees	EUR 5-200 million  35% applicant participation rate	http://www.erbd.com
European Investment Bank (EIB)*  European Investment Bank  Nordic Investment Bank (NIB)*		EIB finances investment projects in support of EU policy, inside and outside of the EU.	The EIB's lending priorities are set by four main Public Policy goals: i) fostering innovation ii) improving SME/mid-cap financing conditions iii) building an efficient EU infrastructure and iv) protecting the environment and climate.	The EIB is active in all EU Member States and outside of the EU in the countries eligible for EIB financing under the EU's External Lending Mandate.			Project promoters from both the public and private sector.		EIB offers a broad range of financial instruments, depending on type of project and project promoter.	EIB finances up to 50% of project investment costs.	http://www.eib.org
NilB		NIB promotes competitiveness and supports the environment by providing financing in the form of loans and guarantees for activities in which NIB can add value and complement other financing sources.	Sustainable growth Environment Promoting competitiveness	Nordic and Baltic member countries and the selected focus countries.			All projects financed by NIB should improve competitiveness and/or the environment, in accordance with NIB's mandate and eligibility criteria. Projects financed by NIB should be of mutual interest to the country of the borrower and the member countries.		Long-term loans and guarantees	Minimum EUR 10 million Minimum 50%	http://www.nib.int
The Nordic Environment Finance Corporation (NEFCO)	Investment Fund	Small and medium-sized projects with demonstration value and available for financing projects in Eastern Europe	Positive environmental impacts	Eastern Europe, focus on Armenia, Belarus, Estonia, Georgia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Poland, Russia and Ukraine.	Established in 1990		Companies with a Nordic interest	EUR 113.4 million	Loans and equity financing in the form of share capital	EUR 1-5 million	http://www.nefco.org/work-us/our- services/loans-and-equity/investment- fund
. VL. CC	Nordic Project Fund - Nopef	Strengthening the international competitiveness of Nordic enterprises by providing co-financing for feasibility studies that support internationalisation of Nordic small and medium-sized enterprises.	Strengthening Nordic SMEs by financing feasibility studies for internationalisation regarding green growth, climate and renewable energy	Global: also all countries outside EU/Efta	Established in 1982		Nordic small and medium-sized companies	EUR 1.9 million annually	Grant (conditional loan)	Maximum 40% of the feasibility study budget and to a maximum amount of EUR 50,000	http://www.nopef.com/
	Baltic Sea Action Plan (BSAP) Fund	Technical assistance trust fund for project development and preparation and associated institutional support for the implementation of the Baltic Sea Action Plan.	To help restore the ecological status of the Baltic Sea	Finland, Sweden, Russia, Poland, Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia and Belarus	Established in 2010		Municipalities, organisations and companies in the countries around the Baltic Sea	EUR 12,2 million	Grant	EUR 50,000 - 900,000	http://www.nefco.org/work-us/our- services/grants/baltic-sea-action-plan- fund
	Barents Hot Spots Facility (BHSF)	The Facility's main task is to provide grants to finance technical assistance, typically key pre-feasibility and feasibility studies, business and financing plans, or environmental impact assessments.	To promote project development at the environmental "Hot Spots" in the Russian Barents (Euro-Arctic) Region www.beac.st/HS/Background	North-West Russia	Established in 2003		Stakeholders related to the Barents "Hot Spots", or other environmental issues of similar values in the Russian part of the Barents region		Grant (conditional loan)	Case by case (from very small to quite large contributions)	http://www.nefco.org/work-us/our- services/grants/barents-hot-spots-facility
Vneshecombank - Bank for Development and Foreign Economic Affairs (VEB  BANK FOR DEVELOPMENT		VEB is a national development bank, which is instrumental in pursuing government socio-economic policy, making the national economy more competitive and modernizing it on an innovative basis.	Projects, innovation substitution, infrastructure development	Russia	2015-2020	http://veb.ru/en/strategy/ invest/index.php		RUB 3000 billion expected VEB's loan portfolio by 2020	Credits; guarantees and sureties; participation in economic entities' authorized capitals; leasing transactions; insurance of export credits; financial and guarantee support for exports, financial support of SMEs	billion; VEB's minimum participation share is RUB 1 billion.	http://www.veb.ru/en
*Due to the EU sanctions in place, new projects in Russia are, for the time being, unlikely to be undertaken.											