

To all members of the BSRAC

Copenhagen, 8th December 2008

Dear BS RAC member,

The Baltic Sea Regional Advisory Council (BS RAC) would like to thank you for contributing to the funding of the running costs of the BS RAC, as well as for the logistical help you may provide in terms of meeting facilities etc.

At the meeting of the BS RAC Executive Committee on Thursday 20th November, there was a discussion on whether to raise the membership fee from the current €100. There were differing views, but the ExCom reached a consensus to increase it to €250 for all members.

The final decision on this increase must be taken by the General Assembly at its next meeting on 8th May 2009.

The increase is not big. But it shows the commitment by BS RAC members to the work done by the RAC. I ask you to support the increase in funding.

Confirmation of your contribution is important. The Commission now requires that every member organisation provides a commitment to finance the RAC. A copy of this commitment form is attached. If these forms of commitment are not sent in with the budget application for 2009-2010, the RAC will not receive EU funding, and we will not be able to carry out our activities in the future.

Please complete the attached commitment form and send it back by Friday 9th January 2009 at the latest. Also attached is an invoice for €250.

Kind regards,



Reine J. Johansson
Chair of the BS RAC