







## Cross-border cooperation as a tool for improving EU's internal market

Please join us in Brussels for a lunch seminar to exchange experiences and discuss how cross-border cooperation and Interreg can be used as tools for improving EU's internal market.

Different kind of projects and cross-border cooperation will presented during the seminar, but they all share the same goal – to facilitate and improve the mobility among people and businesses to cross the border.

Several border regions in Europe will share their experiences and we hope you will join us in the discussion and knowledge sharing.

## **AGENDA**

Moderator: AEBR General Secretary, Martin Guillermo

11:00 Welcome and opening remarks, Mr Martin Guillermo

Interreg project (SE, NO) - Border Opportunities,

Mrs Eva Lundin, Mrs Angelika Klarenfjord, Mrs Annika Daisley

Extramedura-Alejanto (ES,PO) - Eures Cross-border services

Torneå Walley (SE, NO, FI) - Cross border public procurement,

Mrs Susanna-Sofia Keskinarkaus, Mr Marko Varajarvi

Cross border cooperation - Member of CoR, Mr Michiel Scheffer

12:00 Discusson and knowledge sharing

12:45 Closing remarks

Date: 11th October, 2018

Time: 11:00 -14:00 including complimentary lunch

Place: Oslo Region European Office

Rue du Luxembourg 3, 5th floor, Brussels Registration: no later than October 9th on <a href="http://www.gransmojligheter.com/ewrc/">http://www.gransmojligheter.com/ewrc/</a>

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- an integrated labor market along the 1610 kilometers Norwegian-Swedish border

Border Opportunities (Gränsmöjligheter) is a three-year project with the intention to increase cross-border activities between Norway and Sweden. The project is funded through Interreg Sweden-Norway, which is an EU-program for cross-border cooperation.

## The goals are:

- to increase opportunities and mobility for companies in Norway and Sweden to easier move across a larger cross-border market.
- to coordinate and structure work on border barriers for businesses across the Norwegan-Swedish border between the border service and existing border committees.
- to destroy mental border obstacles by informing small and medium-sized companies about the possibilities of working cross-border.
- to enlarge the market and to increase the conditions for growth and competitiveness for small and medium-sized companies in Sweden and Norway.

The project is being implemented in close cooperation between Värmland County Administrative Board (SWE), Hedmark County Council (NO), County Governor of Hedmark (NO), Svinesunds committee (SWE), Norway-Sweden border service (Grensetjänsten Norge-Sverige), The Mid Nordic Committee, Region Västra Götaland (SWE) and Östfold County Council, (NO).