

## **Study visit, Karlstad, Sweden**

**27-28 September, 2017**

### **FINAL AGENDA**

#### **Tuesday 26 September**

**Arrival of participants**

#### **Wednesday 27 September**

*Venue: Karlstad University and Innovation Park*

*Entrance: Main entrance Karlstad University*

**08.10 Departure** (from Elite Stadshotellet to Karlstad's University, by taxis)

**08.30 Welcome to Värmland!**

**08.45 Academy for Smart Specialisation**

Presentation of the agreement between Region Värmland and Karlstad University; *Håkan Spjuth, Head of External Relations, Karlstad University and Anders Olsson, Manager of Research and Innovation, Region Värmland.*

**09.45 Short break and walk to next location**

**10.00 Innovation – what is it?**

Vinnova, the Swedish Innovation Agency, present their view on the importance of promoting innovation through collaboration; *Jan Sandred, Programme Manager at Vinnova.*

(In collaboration with a course offered to PhD students in all disciplines: *Impact and utilisation of research and science*)

**11.00 Short walk to Innovation Park**

**11.15 Guided tour of Innovation Park**

**11.45 Lunch** *Restaurant Nova*

**12.45 Registration** *outside room Arenan*

**13.00 Projects and organisations for SME innovation and internationalisation support**

Different projects and organisations in Värmland will give short presentations on how they promote internationalisation and competitiveness for SMEs through their ERDF support.

*Room Arenan*

**14.00 Coffee and Open Space**

A chance to talk with the day's speakers and to learn more from those who are particularly relevant to your region's interests. *Room Coffice*

**15.00 Wrap-up**

Reflections from Inside Out EU-participants/partners regarding the previous open space-session on the topic: *What can be used/useful in my own region?*

**15.30 Departure to Karlstad City Centre** *(by taxis)*

**16.00 Company visit to [Löfbergs](#)** - a family owned business, now one of the biggest coffee roasters in the Nordic region, with its head office in Karlstad.

**17.00 Free time until dinner**

**19.00 Joint dinner** *(place will be announced)*

## Thursday 28 September

**Venue:** *Värmland County Administrative Board, VCAB (Länsstyrelsen Värmland)*

**Entrance:** *Våxnäsgatan 5*

**09.00 Welcome to Värmland County Administrative Board (VCAB)**

*Johan Blom, County Director, VCAB*

**09.10 The support for SME's in Värmland,** *Björn Eiderbrant, VCAB*

**09.30 Presentation by an enterprise about their internationalisation support,**

*Barbro Lidström, Support Design*

**10.00 Coffee**

**10.20 Presentation of Sandgrund Lars Lerin art museum - a successful SME in Värmland,**

*The municipality of Karlstad*

**10.45 Partner presentation,** *Basilicata region*

**11.15 Discussion of next study visit,** *all participants*

**11.30 Walk to lunch**

**12.00 Lunch,** *Restaurant Värmlands museum*

**13.30 Sandgrund Lars Lerin art museum (optional)**

**14.30 End of second day. Free time.**

**19.00 Joint cultural Swedish dinner (informal and optional) *Värmland County Administrative Board, Våxnäsgatan 5***

## Friday 29 September

### Departure

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