



UNION OF THE BALTIC CITIES
COMMISSION ON URBAN PLANNING

ACTION PLAN FOR 2011

The Commission on Urban Planning (CUP) plans to have two seminars/meetings in 2011.

The first seminar will take place in Växjö, Sweden, in April 2011. As Växjö is one of the leading towns in the field of sustainable urban development in Europe, the seminar will concentrate in sustainable solutions in urban planning.

The second seminar is in Tartu, Estonia in autumn (September/October) 2011. Tartu is an old university town that has traditions in international connections, and the plan at the moment is that the seminar will concentrate in new urban development in old historical surroundings.

The CUP seminars will continue with the well-working pattern of combining expert lectures of the seminar themes and workshops, where the seminar participants have a chance to exchange experience and "learn by doing" to propose solutions for urban planning problems of the host city. As experts' knowledge and expertise are usually highly valued, the CUP also needs to reserve some funds in its budget for covering the expenses of the external experts.

Also, the CUP Steering Committee will have minimum 2 meetings in addition of the seminars. These meetings are held in the host towns of the coming seminars in summer and in winter 2011. This way the CUP Steering Committee is able to plan the seminars ahead together with the host city's organization and also to discuss about different matters regarding the Commission.

Most of the budget of the CUP will be spent in arranging the seminars and covering the costs of them. Naturally the seminar host cities will have some expenses for organizing the seminar, including. e.g. seminar venue, some prints and copes, one dinner and a bus excursion and other organized programme. The host cities will report the UBC Head Secretariat their share of their expenses apart from the CUP.