

VI General Conference - Program

**CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**

FRIDAY, 12 October 2001

08.00-09.00 Registration at the Conference Centre "Stadthalle"

09.00-10.00 Plenary session  
Moderated by Dr. Ulrich Bauermeister, Managing  
Director Hafen-Entwicklungsgesellschaft Rostock  
GmbH

Welcome

**Arno Pöker**, Mayor of the Hanseatic City of  
Rostock, host of the Conference

Opening

**Anders Engström**, President of the UBC  
Introduction of the Social Charter for UBC  
Member Cities

Welcome Address

**Helmut Holter**, Minister on Labour and  
Construction and Deputy Prime Minister of  
Mecklenburg-Vorpommern

Address of CBSS

**Alexey A. Obukhov**, Ambassador-at-Large,  
Council of Baltic Sea States, Chairman of the  
Committee of Senior Officials

10:00 - 12:00 Keynote speeches followed by the panel  
discussion:

Outline of the EU Enlargement Social Policy

**Karl-Johan Lönnroth**, Deputy Director General,  
DG Employment and Social Affairs,  
European Commission

Non-Governmental Perspective of the EU  
Accession

**Prof. Dr. Georg Cremer**, Secretary General of  
Caritas Germany

Gender Equality and the EU Enlargement

**Dr. Giedre Purvaneckiene**, Member of the  
Parliament of the Republic of Lithuania

12.00 - 12.10 Introduction to the Workshops  
Presentation of the Workshops' leaders and assistants, organisational matters

12:10 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 15:30 Workshops  
Presentations of Eastern and Western European cities  
Discussion

**Workshop I** "Social Policy from the Enlargement Perspective"

**Workshop II** "Labour Market Policy from the Enlargement Perspective"

**Workshop III** "Gender Equality"

**Workshop IV** "Participation of Children and Youth"

**Workshop V** "Health and Social Equality for Everybody"

15:30 - 16:30 Reports and conclusions from the workshops  
Discussion

19:00 - 22:00 Reception by the Mayor of the Hanseatic City of Rostock in the "Ständehaus"  
including the Best Environmental Practice in Baltic Cities Award granting ceremony

SATURDAY, 13 October 2001

09:00 - 11:00 Meetings of UBC Commissions and Networks  
Business Cooperation, Culture, Education, Environment, Health and Social Affairs, Sport, Tourism, Transportation, Urban Planning, Women's Network, EU Coordinators Network

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 - 12:10 General Assembly

Opening, Report on UBC Activities October 1999 - October 2001  
Anders Engström, President of the UBC

Procedural Matters:  
Auditor's Report  
Board of Audit Report  
Absolving the Presidium, the Board and the Secretary General  
Budget and Membership Fees 2002-2003  
Approval of UBC Auditor

12:10 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 - 15:30 General Assembly, cont.

Reports from the Commissions and Networks  
Amendment in the UBC Statute  
Approval of the UBC Strategy  
Adoption of UBC Agenda 21 Action Program  
2002-2003  
Election of the Executive Board  
Election of the President and Vice-Presidents  
Election of the Board of Audit

Resolutions  
Adoption of the Social Charter for UBC Member  
Cities  
Adoption of the Conference Resolution

Venue of the VII UBC General Conference in 2003

19:00 - 23:00 Celebration on 10th Anniversary of the UBC