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# Round table **Cross-Border Cooperation** — In Action for Border Regions

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South-East Finland – Russia CBC 2014-2020 Programme, Karelia CBC 2014-2020 Programme, Kolarctic CBC 2014-2020 Programme

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ABSTRACT

Cross-Border Cooperation Programmes are widely considered well-functioning tools to reflect on jointly specified objectives in the Russian-Finnish cooperation. When approaching next programming period 2021-2027, an overview on achievements and benefits for all participating regions is the key tool for further development. When considering alternative strategies for the greener and smarter regions, and people-to-people cooperation - what can be the role of the future CBC Programmes? And how to put implementing strategies into practice in order to meet the sustainable goals.

#### **SPEAKERS**

#### **SESSION 1**

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