#

**AMENDMENT No. 2 TO THE AGREEMENT ON THE SECRETARIAT OF THE NORTHERN DIMENSION PARTNERSHIP FOR TRANSPORT AND LOGISTICS,**

 **(HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE "AGREEMENT”)**

**BETWEEN**

**THE NORDIC INVESTMENT BANK, AN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTION, ESTABLISHED BY A TREATY (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE “BANK”)**

**AND**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS OF THE KINGDOM OF NORWAY**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

**THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND**

**THE FEDERAL MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA**

**THE MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURE OF**

**THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND**

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN**

**THE MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS OF THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS,**

**(HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE “PARTIES”, AND SEVERALLY A ”PARTY”).**

**WHEREAS** the Parties and the Bank agreed on a temporary financial scheme for the financing of the Secretariat for the year of 2011 based on voluntary contributions, (as was set out in Annex 1 of the Agreement) and;

**WHEREAS** the Parties and the Bank have subsequently executed an amendment to the Agreement, which amendment entered into force as of 1 January 2012 (the **“Amendment No.1”**), approving a final financial scheme (the **“Financial Scheme”**), thereby amending the Annex 1;

**WHEREAS** the Parties and the Bank wish to amend the Financial Scheme as set out in this Amendment No. 2.

**Now, therefore,** the Parties and the Bank have agreed as follows:

**1. Financial Scheme**

The annual financing of the Secretariat shall be 100% provided by the Parties in accordance with Article 4 (Financing and administration of financial resources) of the Agreement. In addition to the Parties’ annual contributions, the financial resources may also include voluntary contributions from the Parties, as well as from other sources, as set out in paragraph (8) of Article 4.

As from the date of entering into force of this Amendment No 2, the financial resources required for the Secretariat shall in aggregate amount to at least EUR 300 000 and a maximum of EUR 320 000 per calendar year.

The Parties shall provide the financial resources required for the Secretariat by means of annual contributions based upon the following payment scheme:

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| Finland: | 12.50 %, however not more than 40.000 € per calendar year |
| Germany: | 12.50 %, however not more than 40.000 € per calendar year |
| Norway: | 12.50 %, however not more than 40.000 € per calendar year |
| Poland: | 12.50 %, however not more than 40.000 € per calendar year |
| Russia: | 12.50 %, however not more than 40.000 € per calendar year |
| Sweden: | 12.50 %, however not more than 40.000 € per calendar year |
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| Belarus: |  6.25 %, however not more than 20.000 € per calendar year |
| Estonia: |  6.25 %, however not more than 20.000 € per calendar year |
| Latvia: |  6.25 %, however not more than 20.000 € per calendar year |
| Lithuania: |  6.25 %, however not more than 20.000 € per calendar year |
| Total:  | 100% |

**2. Signing and entry into force**

This Amendment No. 2 which is an integral part of the Agreement shall enter into force on 1st January of the year following the date on which signatures of all Parties and the Bank are placed under the present Amendment.

As from the date of entering into force of this Amendment No. 2, the Annex 1 to the Agreement shall be amended as set out herein.

For the avoidance of doubt, all other provisions of the Agreement shall remain unchanged.

In witness whereof, the undersigned authorised representatives of the ten Parties and the Bank have signed this Agreement in one original in the English language.

**For the Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Kingdom of Norway**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Transport of the Russian Federation**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications of the Republic of Estonia**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Finland on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Finland**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure of the Federal Republic of Germany**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Latvia**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Lithuania**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Infrastructure of the Republic of Poland**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Belarus**

Title:

Done in on

**For the Nordic Investment Bank**

Title:

Done in on

Iesniedzējs: Satiksmes ministrs U.Augulis

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