### **Action Plan 2008**

# for the cooperation between Lower Silesia and Central Denmark Region

# **Background**

The cooperation between Lower Silesia, Poland and Central Denmark Region, Denmark is a continuation of the work carried out between Lower Silesia and former Ringkjøbing Amt (now part of Central Denmark Region). The cooperation agreement has been under development during 2007, and due to the structural reform in Denmark and the General Election in Poland the process took a bit longer than expected.

We wish to build the future activities on the former experiences and in addition to that to exploit new opportunities. In order to have a transparent process the aim is to develop an action plan each year with an indication for activities in the following year. After each year a report should be drawn up to document the activities together with a new action plan.

#### General ideas for the cooperation

- Exchange of professionals:
  - Researchers
  - students from different types of education
  - o employees in specific relevant lines of business
- Cooperation regarding social welfare
  - Cooperation between institutions dealing with disabled people in Central Denmark Region managed by the municipalities
  - Youth actions
- Business development
  - Direct contact for businesses for advice on Polish/Danish market
  - use of highly educated people in SME to increase the capacity for innovation
- Culture and Tourism
  - Cooperation between tourist organisations
  - Study visits to our regions
- Health
  - Cooperation of hospitals

#### Action plan for 2008

Organising an official visit to sign the cooperation agreement in Wroclaw first half of 2008.

Initiating a project between Horsens municipality and youth organisation in Wroclaw dealing with the issue of young people and education. This should be done in the frame of the Interreg IVB Baltic Sea Programmme.

Students' exchange between Silkeborg Gymnasium, Denmark and Osiecka Upper Secondary School Complex, Poland, and Schools in Rimini, Italy through the Comenius Programme. To the project would join also schools from Bulgaria (Plowdiw) and from Great Britain (Devon County).

Visit of Mr Tadeusz Krason from Regional Assembly of Disabled in Wroclaw to Central Denmark Region (3-day study visit).

Cooperation/exchange between HiH in Herning, Institute of Business and Technology at Aarhus University and the Wrocław University of Technology.

# Following years

University of 3<sup>rd</sup> age – exchange of lectures and students (4-5 people per year)

Exchange of people working in the field of tourism within the two regions

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