



Piteå 2013-08-16

## **Cooperation agreement between municipalities of Piteå and Kandalaksha municipal district and Kandalaksha town**

Towns of Piteå and Kandalaksha have been twin cities since 1986. The governing body of Piteå municipality and municipalities of Kandalaksha district and Kandalaksha town conclude this agreement about continuation and development of the twin cities connections.

### **1. The goals of cooperation:**

- creating of conditions for developing friendship and mutual understanding between our cities;
- continuation of knowledge and experience exchange in matters of local self-governing;
- developing of contacts between the inhabitants of Pitea and Kandalaksha;
- creating of conditions for the people for exchanging of knowledge and experience in -different spheres;
- assistance for projects in the spheres of tourism, business and industry;
- cooperation in spheres of education, culture, sport and health protection;
- developing of communication lines.

Twin cities cooperation is carried out between the administrations of municipalities, enterprises, authorities, educational institutions and civil organizations.

Exchanging of knowledge and experience is carried out according to the legislation of both countries.

During the formal visits of municipality representatives all the transport expenses are covered by the group arriving with the formal visit, staying and food expenses during the visit are covered by the receiving group.

### **2. Coming the agreement into force**

This agreement comes into force until the new agreement. This agreement substitutes the previously signed agreement about the cooperation between the twin cities Piteå (Sweden) and Kandalaksha (the Russian Federation). This agreement comes into force after its signing by the heads of municipalities and administrations.

This agreement is written in Russian and English, one copy for every participant of the agreement.

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Alexander Bogdanov

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Peter Roslund

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