

Programme

Partnership, Integration and Civil Society

On Thursday 14 November 2019, between 9.00–16.30

Siltasaari-sali, Paasitorni, Helsinki



Ministry of Economic Affairs
and Employment of Finland

*Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment
organises a Nordic seminar entitled*

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The theme of the seminar is partnerships in integration, especially between organisations, municipalities and the authorities. At this Nordic seminar, effective partnership practices will be examined, particularly from the organisation perspective. The seminar programme includes interesting speeches and examples of good practices in Finland and in Sweden and Norway. The seminar is closely linked to the Integration Partnership Programme lead by the Ministry.

The seminar is free of charge, and everyone interested in the theme is invited to attend. We would particularly like to welcome representatives of organisations, municipalities and authorities involved in integration work.

The language of the seminar is English.

[Sign up for the event. Registration closes on Friday, 8 November 2019.](#)

We look forward to seeing you!

Facilitator **Annika Damström**

- 9.00–9.30** *Coffee*
- 9.30–10.00** **Opening**
NN, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment
- Nordic Cooperation on Integration**
Kristin Marklund, Nordic Welfare Centre, Sweden
- 10.00–10.30** **Everyday Integration and Civil Society’s Role in the Nordic Region**
Anna Karlsdottir, Nordregio, Sweden
- 10.30–10.50** **How to Build Partnership between Public Services and Civil Society?**
Lars Erik Lillefloth, Narvik Community, Norway
- 10.50–11.10** **Partnership in Practice – Case Vantaa**
Hussein Absuge, East Vantaa Somali Culture Society
Burhan Hamdon, Hakunila International Organization
Hannele Lautiola, City of Vantaa
- 11.10–11.30** *Coffee break*
- 11.30–11.45** **National online Service bringing low-threshold Services Structurally into Governmental Procedures**
Elina Kutramoinen and **Ulla Lehtonen**, Centre for Economic Development, Transport and the Environment for Uusimaa
- 11.45–12.00** **Comments and Discussion**
Peter Kariuki, Advisory Board for Ethnic Relations ETNO
Department for Democracy and Public Law Ministry of Justice

- 12.00–13.00 *Lunch*
- 13.00–13.20 **Builders of Multicultural Civil Society: Report on Immigrant NGOs in Finland**
Ella Virtanen, Finnish Refugee Council
- 13.20–13.40 **Increasing Representation in NGO's**
Artem Kuosti, Finnish Russian Speaking Federation
(Suomen venäjänkielisten liitto ry / FARO)
- 13.40–14.00 **How Can NGO:s Act as Bridge Builders in Reaching Religious Communities?**
Asiya Cirro, Fenix Helsinki ry
- 14.00–14.30 *Coffee Break*
- 14.30–15.45 **Panel Discussion**
Maria Pikkarainen, Finnish Red Cross
Lars Erik Lillefloth, Narvik Community
Anna Bruun, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment
Laura Kyntölä, City of Helsinki
Anna Karlsdottir, Nordregio
Hamed Shafae, Finnish Afghan Associations Union,
Helsinki-info
- 15.45–16.15 **Sharing Good Practices**
- 16.15–16.30 **Final Words**