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Baltic Sea Open University

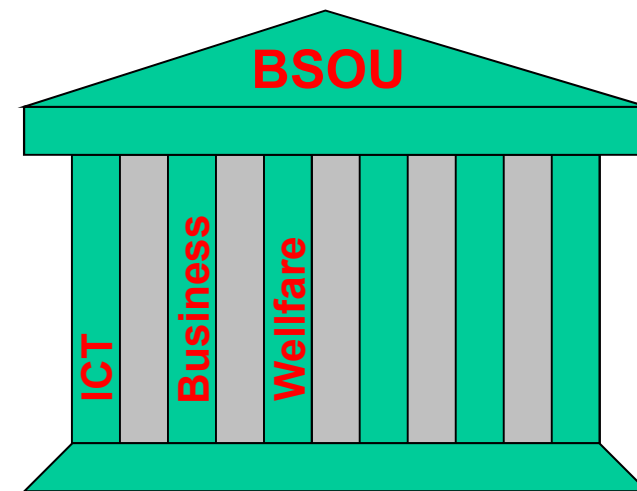
The Roots

Helsinki – January 2004

Regional Development

➤ **Going from**

loose network to lasting partnership



The Roots

➤ **Baltic Sea (Open) University**

- **Function: Umbrella University**
- **Mix: Real/Virtual Courses/Programmes**
 - **Courses available at the participating universities**
 - **International Master Programme Kiel**
 - **DLON (Distributed Laboratories in Open Networks)**
- **Headquarter: Baltic States**
- **Coop Center: Internships, Trainee Programmes (Interface University – Industry)**
- **Regional Development**
- **E-Government Project**

The Roots

Baltic Sea (Open) University

- Tool for dissemination of existing knowledge under the new Baltic specific context

First Ideas

- networked enterprises with R&D in info society
- BSOU/BSN**
- OU campus
 - joint degrees (framework)
(master study → exp.)
 - virtual/e-learning / face-to-face
 - partners
 - template structure for Hapter
 - ICT infrastructure
 - HMI, search, service, e-learning
 - video conference
 - R&D related to education
 - administration (certification)
 - fees/tuition
 - certification
 - accreditation
 - funding
 - legal implications
 - extensions...



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Brainstorming September 2004

Structural Ideas

Baltic Sea (Open) University

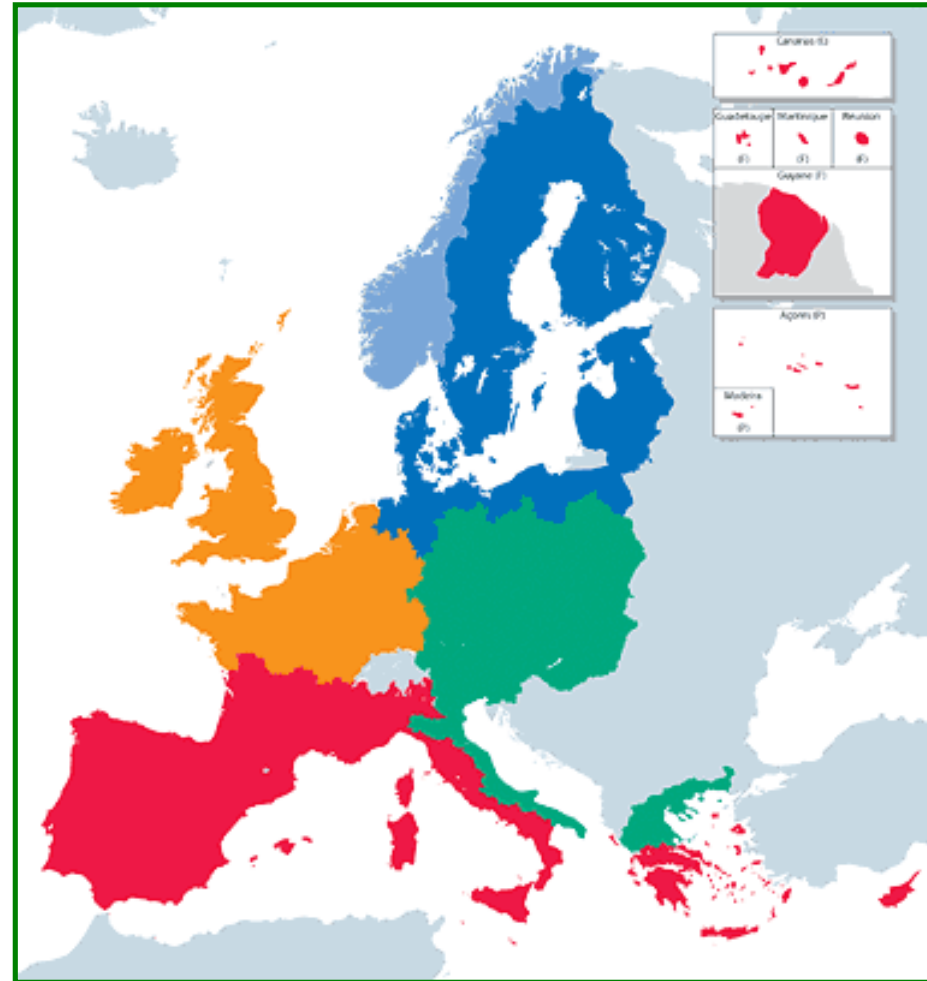
- **Function: Umbrella University**
Framework for Joint Degrees
- **Language of Instruction and Administration:**
English
- **Instruction Mix:**
E-learning / Face-to-Face (Real/Virtual Courses/Programmes)
 - Courses available at the participating universities
- **Headquarter: Baltic States**
- **Template-Structure for Master Degree Programs**
- **ICT-Infrastructure (Distributed?):**
 - **E-Learning-Environment**
 - **Videoconference Sites**

Structural Ideas

Baltic Sea (Open) University

- Administration
- Awarding Degrees (Certification)
- (International) Accreditation
- Tuition Fee Structure
- Funding, Seed Money
- Legal Implications (Content, Copyright)
- Future Extensions:
 - R&D related to Education
 - Ph.D. Campus

INTERREG



INTERREG IIIC

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INTERREG IIIC (2000-2006) North



NORTH East South West
INTERREG IIIC

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What is the INTERREG IIIC programme?

The INTERREG IIIC programme is one of the three strands of the European Community Initiative INTERREG III.

INTERREG III is designed to strengthen economic and social cohesion in the European Union (EU) by promoting cross-border (strand A), trans-national (strand B) and interregional (strand C) co-operation.

With INTERREG IIIC, interregional co-operation between regional and other public authorities across the entire EU territory and neighbouring countries will be promoted. It allows regions without joint borders to work together in common projects and develop networks of co-operation.

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The co-operations under INTERREG IIIC shall give access to experience of other actors involved in regional development policy and create synergies between "best practice" projects and the Structural Fund's mainstream programmes.

The overall aim is to improve the effectiveness of regional development policies and instruments through large-scale information exchange and sharing of experience (networks) in a structured way.

The INTERREG IIIC programme will be financed by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), as part of the Structural Funds, and co-financed by national project partners. The application period is 2002-2006. All activities have to be finalised by end of 2008