

# VIKING LINE

## Viking Line, Port of Turku and Ports of Stockholm celebrate one year of cooperation to establish a green shipping corridor

**Viking Line, Port of Turku and Ports of Stockholm have been working together for a year on a project which aims to establish a green, fossil-free shipping corridor between Stockholm and Turku. The parties have now laid a solid foundation for the project and developed a clear plan for a common way forward.**

On the anniversary on 6 February, the parties and a large number of invited stakeholders gather for an open seminar in Turku, Finland. Results, experiences, challenges and opportunities were discussed based on the common goal of establishing a green maritime corridor between Stockholm and Turku by 2035.

"We are very pleased with the cooperation and the work done during the first year," says **Magdalena Bosson**, CEO Ports of Stockholm. "We have been investing in onshore power supply infrastructure for ships for many years and Viking Line is one of the pioneers. Now we are further sharpening our goals together with the other parties to establish a fossil-free shipping corridor between Stockholm and Turku."

"We are proud to be part of this important co-operation project for a cleaner Baltic Sea. Our most significant investment so far is to offer all our passengers and freight customers biofuel for transport between Stockholm and Turku, reducing emissions for their journeys by 90%. In addition, a possible battery installation and Elogrids\*, which reduces energy consumption, are important elements of our work in the coming years," says **Jan Hanses**, CEO Viking Line.

"A green shipping corridor gives us the opportunity to promote sustainable development and reduce the environmental impact of shipping. During the past year, we have started more detailed planning of measures related to the green shipping corridor, such as updating our carbon footprint calculation and preparing for the development of charging stations for heavy traffic," says **Erik Söderholm**, CEO Port of Turku.

During the first year, the parties have identified and prioritised the most important goals and measures to reduce carbon dioxide emissions in shipping. A clear project plan with activities has been developed, including:

### Viking Line

- Pre-study of battery installation on Viking Grace and Viking Glory
- Installing Elogrids\* on the vessels
- Increase sales of biogas supplements for transport between Stockholm and Turku

### Port of Turku

- Study and pilot project for onshore power supply at the quay
- Zero emissions from Viking Line vessels at berth

- Guidelines and incentives for port operators for zero emissions
- In collaboration with external actors, develop concepts that link the green shipping corridor with sustainable transport from and to the port on land
- Opportunity for shipping companies to bunker sustainable fuels

#### Ports of Stockholm

- Zero emissions from Viking Line vessels at the quayside
- In collaboration with external actors, develop concepts that link the green shipping corridor with sustainable transport from and to the port on land
- Opportunity for shipping companies to bunker fossil-free fuels

\*Elogrids is a grid system installed on the ship's hull to reduce resistance and improve fuel efficiency. It optimizes water flow and reduces turbulence, resulting in lower energy consumption.

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