

Baltic Sea States Subregional Co-operation Statement

We, the representatives of regions in the Baltic Sea area, united in the Baltic Sea States Subregional Co-operation, feel obliged to raise our voice regarding the Russian aggression towards Ukraine and Ukrainians. The current situation in Eastern Europe, where the Russian Federation is breaking the norms of law and the rules of the international order, gives rise to the indignation of the entire civilized world and is a violation of international law and peaceful principles of the coexistence between democratic areas. We condemn Russian actions of invasion and violence and consider them as intolerable.

As a consequence of the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine, the regions united in BSSSC decided in their meeting on 16 March to suspend the BSSSC cooperation with Russian regions and put all cooperation with Russia on hold until cooperation under the fundamental principles of international law will become possible again. We would like to address our words of support to the Ukrainian nation and people in these difficult times.

All members of the BSSSC political network are aware of the situation in Eastern Europe and stand with Ukraine and Ukrainian society and authorities in solidarity in these difficult times. It is our duty as the Representatives of democratic countries to welcome all refugees from the war to our territories. We are committed to fully support all Ukrainian immigrants and provide them safety, with shelter, and the needed necessities such as medical care, access to education and fundamental essentials.

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