



## **First Announcement**

### **Workshop on Regional Innovation Policies in the Nordic Countries - How can the Lisbon Agenda be applied?**

**10:00-16:00, 22 November, 2006**

**Nordregio, Stockholm**

The workshop "Regional Innovation Policies in the Nordic Countries - How can the Lisbon Agenda be applied?" is a part of the project *Regional tilpasset innovationspolitik i Norden*. The overall aim with this project is to investigate if it is possible to define objectives and support schemes that are essential for creating an innovation policy that addresses Nordic regions in general and regions outside the metropolitan areas in particular.

During the workshop in November the results of the project's State-of-the-Art-report will be presented. In the report and during the workshop the following questions will be addressed:

- What do we know and what do we not know concerning how regional innovation systems are influenced by national policies and programmes?
- How do the objectives of the Lisbon Agenda affect the regional innovation policies in the Nordic countries?
- Is there a need to develop a "Nordic way" to interpret the Lisbon Agenda?

Specific focus is on discussing the possibilities for creating an innovation policy which takes into account the specific conditions that exist in the regions outside the Nordic metropolitan areas.

**Target groups:** The target group of the workshop is Nordic civil servants working with regional innovation policy on national levels.

**Final program:** The detailed programme for the workshop will be available Mid October

**Registration:** Please, confirm your participation by sending an e-mail to Riikka Ikonen (riikka.ikonen@nordregio.se) *before 31 October 2006!*

Welcome!