

# THE COINCO CHARTER

*We, the political representatives of the partners in the Corridor of Innovation and Cooperation (COINCO) between Oslo and Berlin, agree to joint cooperation based on the following points of understanding*



1. The partners declare their intent to collaborate to become one of the most competitive, sustainable and liveable regions
2. The partners acknowledge European goals and priorities as expressed in the Lisbon strategy. Thus,
  - The COINCO partners will across the region establish a friendly environment for starting up and developing innovative businesses, as well as attracting foreign businesses to invest in the region. This will create more and better jobs
  - The COINCO partners will contribute to the European area of research and innovation by strengthening and coordinating bonds between the knowledge institutions of the region
  - The COINCO partners will harmonize their efforts to invest in people by education and training for living in the knowledge society, in order to support business development and social coherence
  - The COINCO partners will together develop new open methods of governance in order to have efficient and legitimate ways of putting decisions into practice
3. The collaboration will be based on the general ideas of the COINCO process, e.g.
  - promote cooperation between public administrations, businesses and knowledge institutions of the corridor
  - promote networking among innovative clusters along the corridor
  - Step up the realization of TEN priorities in our corridor
  - Promote the inclusion of the Berlin-Rostock-Copenhagen corridor in the TEN-T priority list of European Transport Corridors
4. The COINCO partners will continue to develop their common strategy in order to continue to be a prime mover in the European and global development.
5. The partners will support a continuation of the COINCO process.

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