

Helsinki, 13th March 2019

Dear Mr. Sampo Kangastalo,

With this letter, I would like to formally invite the municipality of Tornio to join the local network (Consortium) that, following your acceptance, would work in the implementation of the AELCLIC_pathfinder project in the river Tornio Valley area (municipalities of Tornio and Haaparanta).

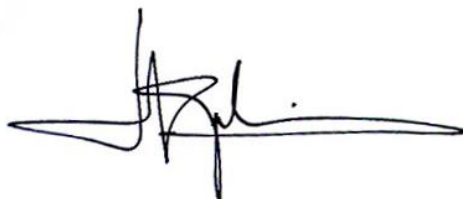
By joining the local network, the municipality will not acquire any legal or financial duty. The municipality will be invited to participate in the different activities organized by Aalto University during the year 2019 and to collaborate voluntarily in the organization of those activities and in the dissemination of the results. (e.g. by allowing the use of some municipal spaces for the development of the planned activities or by sharing the partial and final outcomes of the AELCLIC project in their webpage).

The final outcome of the AELCLIC-PATHFINDER will be a group of regional/local Consortia in a strategically selected set of European Pilot Landscapes that have been chosen in order to cover the climatic, socio-economic, cultural and biogeographical diversity of Europe and in order to produce highly transferable and scalable models.

The Tornio River Valley has been selected as one of the 16 European landscapes of the AELCLIC-Pathfinder project (Adaptation of European Landscapes to Climate Change). This decision was based on its location in the highly sensitive Boreal area, on its exceptional environmental and cultural values, on its transnational character and on the deep connection between local economy and natural landscape.

In particular, the AELCLIC-Pathfinder would create in the municipalities of Tornio and Haaparanta a local network (Consortium) for the future development of a Landscape Adaptation Plan to Climate Change (LACAP). This network or Consortium would be integrated by local authorities, civil organizations, economic actors (e.g. companies working with tourism, fishing, forestry, etc.) and academic/scientific institutions.

Looking forward to your reply and thanking you for your attention



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