



This National Action Plan of the FEM-project is a summarized description of the aims from the Swedish partners in the project.

The aims of the FEM-project from the Swedish partners are:

❶ to participate in the development of a network of women's resource-centres in Baltic Sea Region (BSR). The resource centres for women in the BSR will have certain common criterias with the aim of working with issues concerning women's labour market and entrepreneurship, promoting of women taking part in regional and local development as a resource in the economic growth of a region. Women's resource-centres shall support a more equal distribution of economical resources between men and women. The work shall include investigation of the possibilities of financial support of women's resource centres in the future.

The resource-centres for women shall be one important part in the structure of support of women's entrepreneurship. The women's resource centres shall serve as a joint innovative base of growth for micro enterprises, which will be the motor for economic growth in the future. The resource centres shall be the spiders in the knitting of business relations between women entrepreneurs in different countries in the BSR. The resource centres shall be the sources for handling the networking credits in Sweden.

❷ to participate in the exchange of experiences and knowledge of advisers for women entrepreneurs between the different countries participating in the FEM. This exchange will be the base of the possibilities to have a raise in the number of women entrepreneurs in Sweden that have business contacts with women entrepreneurs in other countries in the BSR.

❸ to develop mentorship programmes for the support of women entrepreneurs. The existing mentorship programmes shall be developed and the experiences from the neighbour countries shall be used.

❹ to build up a micro-credit system for women entrepreneurs using experiences from the Nordic neighbour countries. These types of networking credit systems will especially be addressed to the needs of immigrant women new starters in Sweden. The resource centres and cooperative development centres shall be the intermediarians in the network credit system.

❺ to build up a Swedish web portal for women entrepreneurs that will have possibilities to communicate with portals in the other countries in the Baltic Sea region. The web portal shall give possibilities to be a marketing place for the finding of business partners.