



# NEFCO

## Environmental Activities in North - West Russia

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## NEFCO and Environmental Activities

### Arctic Council Project Support Instrument (PSI)

- A financing tool focused on actions against pollution in the Arctic became operational in 2014 with a total pledge of EUR 16 million. Finland, Iceland, Norway, Russia, Sweden, the United States, the Sami Parliament and NEFCO as contributors.

### Barents Hot Spot Facility (BHSF)

- A 7.4 MEUR trust fund managed by NEFCO for the Nordic Governments since 2005 in order to tackle the 42 environmental "hot spots" and other key environmental challenges in the Barents regions in NW Russia.

### Programme for Environment and Climate Co-operation”

- Financed by Nordic Council of Ministers (NCM) to promote environment and climate co-operation projects between non-commercial partners from the Nordic countries and North-West Russia. The total available amount of funding is EUR 1.1 million.

## NDEP Assembly in November 2018 / Status

- **Krasny Bor Hazardous landfill liquid waste lagoons (KB)**
  - Through support by Finland, Sweden and Germany pre feasibility studies completed. Once Russian side (City, State) has agreed on implementation set up, Assembly/NEFCO ready to consider co financing.
- **Black Carbon Projects in Karelia and Vologda Regions**
  - Feasibility Studies for three locations under way with the support from BHSF. Currently coal/oil fired boilers to be converted to biofuel. NDEP grants approved. NEFCO loans expected to be approved in June.

## Opportunities for NDEP Financing

- **Wastewater improvements in Archangelsk, Naryan Mar and Kaliningrad Regions**
  - Based on the requests from Archangelsk and Naryan Mar, project formulation mission (financed by BHSF) is scheduled for mid March to prepare initial project concept notes for three locations.
- **Black Carbon Projects in Karelia, Murmansk and Archangelsk Regions**
  - Karelia has indicated interest on more locations. Early discussion in Murmansk and Archangelsk.
- **Solid Waste Project in Kaliningrad Region**
  - Kaliningrad interested in integrated solid waste management project.