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## CONFERENCE INVITATION

Dear Sir/Madam,

The project partners of CHEMSEA and the Military University of Technology in Warsaw, Poland would like to invite you to participate in the Open Day Event of the Final Conference of the CHEMSEA project, which will be held in Warsaw, Poland on the 13th of February 2014. The official language of the conference will be English.

CHEMSEA (Chemical Munitions, Search and Assessment) is a flagship project of the Baltic Sea Region Strategy, financed by the EU Baltic Sea Region Programme 2007-2013. Many leading scientific institutes and maritime decision makers from the region are cooperating in order to assess and minimize risks related to sea-bottom activities near the dumping sites of WWII chemical munitions. This international applied science project has gathered partners from Poland, Sweden, Finland, Lithuania and Germany as well as associated partners from other countries and organizations.

Initiated in 2011 and continuing through early 2014, the Project is identifying the most important and relevant areas in the Baltic Sea that have been contaminated with chemical warfare agents (CWA). Furthermore, the project is involved in assessing the probability, possible range and ecological consequences of a potential CWA release from dumped munitions, provides stakeholders and national administrations with guidelines for handling contaminated material, updates existing procedures for munitions that have been accidentally fished from the sea water, and gives suggestions for how to improve contingency planning.

The Open Day Event will be a forum in which to share information about the final results of the project and its activities, and will serve as an excellent opportunity to bring together international stakeholders as well as Baltic Sea area organizations that are concerned with the well-being and sustainable use of our shared resources.

Please find enclosed the agenda for the Open Day Event starting at 9.00.a.m on the 13<sup>th</sup> of February 2014. Kindly send us your completed registration form as soon as possible.

Your participation and contribution to the discussions are very much welcomed and valued.

Respectfully yours,

**Rector-Commandant**

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