



BALTICLAB IS BACK: OPEN CALL FOR BALTICLAB

Balticlab invites you to boost your network

Are you an entrepreneur, artist, creative industry professional or someone who works in the technology and media field? Are you 23- 33 years old? Do you have a talent for initiating new collaborations? Do you have an idea or a field of interest you would like to realize or develop? Are you interested in building a regional network?

Balticlab is designed for you - an emerging talent with unique, creative business and collaboration ideas and an interest in expanding regional networks. You will have access to new ideas, dynamic tools and contacts for successful projects. Come and be inspired by ambitious and talented people like yourself from around the Baltic Sea region.

If we select you, we will fly you to Stockholm for the Balticlab Networking Weekend 12-14 December 2014.

Young, creative minds in the Baltic Sea region can drive innovation and expand cooperation. For the third year running, Balticlab brings these minds together in the same space to create and explore new perspectives and sources of inspiration. As the network flourishes, new opportunities for collaboration open up.

By looking at creative industries, media collaborations and entrepreneurial perspectives we aim to equip young innovative individuals in the region with expertise on starting your own business or carrying out a project idea, as well as to provide you with the right tools, skills and connections necessary to achieve these actions in an interregional context.



Wanted: Big ideas

Think.

Practical advice from experts in the region from creative industries and start-ups will boost your inspiration during workshop time. Speakers from around the region will share their professional experiences, as well as perspectives on collaboration and cooperation amongst the countries around the Baltic Sea.

Do.

Receive training that will push your big ideas further. Develop quick team concepts in workshops on culture, education, media and entrepreneurship.

Develop.

Pitching sessions and critical reflections will offer you new insights, inspiration and contacts for future projects. Wide use of social media will support learning, networking, collaboration and sharing.

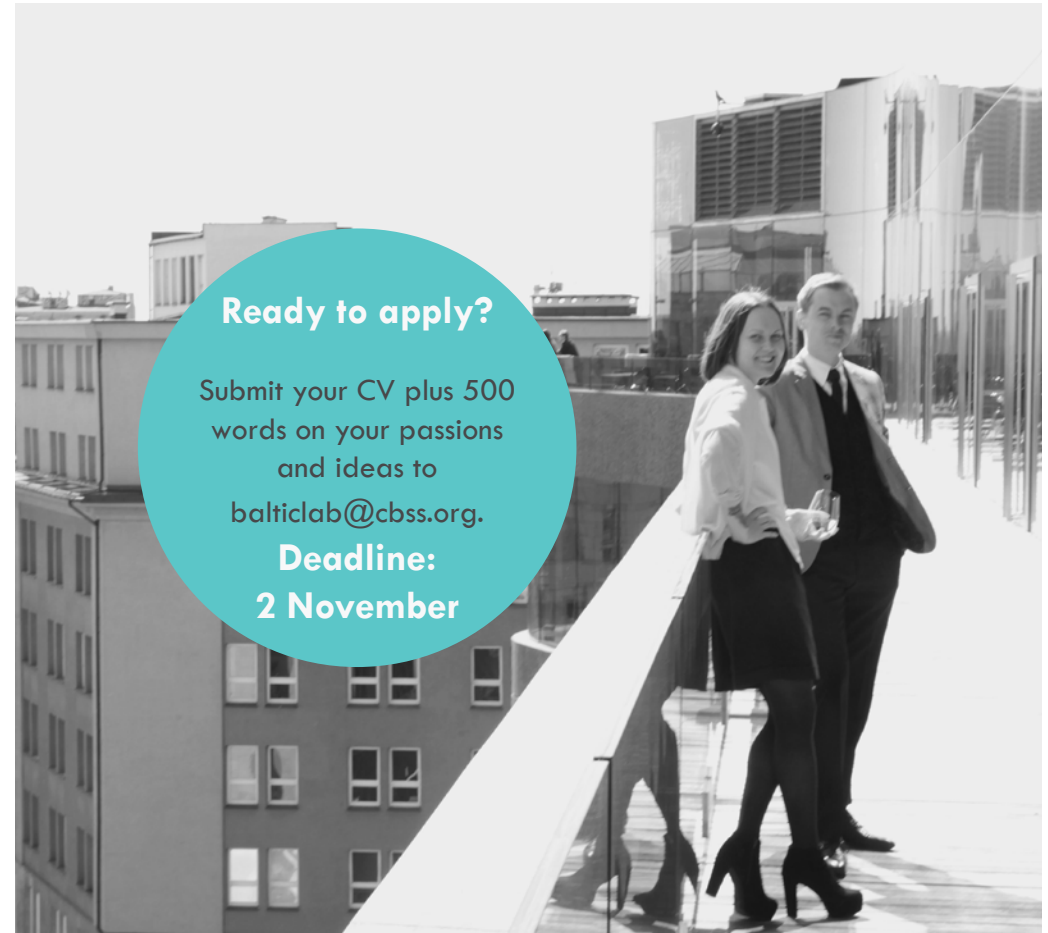
Take the collaboration further.

Balticlab Networking Weekend is only the first step in the Balticlab experience. Similar to last year, Balticlab will also be continuing in the form of a project-development programme titled **Balticlab Ideation** in February 2015. Hence we will also be selecting around 30 participants from the Networking Weekend, who we would like to see continue working with us throughout spring 2015 in Riga, Krakow and Gothenburg*.

Is this you?

Dynamic. Innovative. Engaged. Have big ideas in creative industries, business, media, entrepreneurship and regional integration. Plugged into new technologies. Between 23- 33 years old. From Sweden, Finland, Russia, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Belarus and Poland. A desire to drive creativity and innovation in the region through building a network and strengthening links between participating countries. Fluent in English.

For more information on Balticlab see www.balticlab-online.eu
To get a feel of the Balticlab experience and for all the recent updates join us on Twitter/Balticlab and Facebook/Balticlab. The programme will cover travel, hotel and food expenses. If you have any questions, please contact balticlab@cbss.org



Ready to apply?

Submit your CV plus 500 words on your passions and ideas to balticlab@cbss.org.

**Deadline:
2 November**

Balticlab is a joint partnership programme between the Council of the Baltic Sea States Secretariat and the Swedish Institute. The Programme is a flagship project of the European Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR) under Horizontal Action Neighbours.

* Please be aware that when applying for the Balticlab Networking Weekend, you should also be provisionally available for the Balticlab Spring Ideation sessions throughout March, April and May 2015.