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The Secretary General of the Nordic Council of Ministers, Mr. Per Unckel

Invitation

and

The Danish Presidency of the Nordic Council of Ministers

have the pleasure of inviting you to the following event:

"Modernisation of the Nordic governmental cooperation – Challenges for a region at the top of Europe"

Presentation of a new structure for Nordic cooperation.

On Monday 19th September 2005 at 14.30 hours

The event will take place at Kunstindustrimuseet The Danish Museum of Art & Design Bredgade 68 / 1206 Copenhagen

The presentation will be held in English

R.S.V.P. before Wednesday the 14th September. Please contact Nordic Council of Ministers, Mrs. Birgitta Schreiber Tel +45 33 96 03 12 or e-mail: <u>bes@norden.org</u>

Programme

Monday 19 September 2005:

<u>14.30:</u> Welcome by Mrs. Bodil Busk Laursen, Director of the Museum

<u>14.40.-15.00</u>: Mr. Karsten Ankjær Jensen, Danish Chairman of the Nordic Co-operation Committee (TBC):

"Nordic co-operation in Europe in 2005 – highlights during the Danish Presidency of the Nordic Council of Ministers." How will the Nordic Council of Ministers be prepared to tackle international and regional challenges? In what way are the structures of the Nordic governmental cooperation being changed during 2005?

<u>15.00-15.30</u>; Mr. Per Unckel, Secretary General of the Nordic Council of Ministers:

"Regional co-operation and the European integration." Nordic co-operation within an EU with 25 Member States – What role will Nordic co-operation play with regard to the European integration process? Nordic co-operation as a supplement to a deeper European scientific co-operation? Can Nordic co-operation in R & D build bridges across the Baltic Sea? How does the Nordic Council of Ministers cooperate with other countries and other international organisations?

<u>15.30-17.00</u>: Reception and private guided tour of the exhibition "Scandinavian Design Beyond the Myth"

Scandinavian Design Beyond the Myth is the main cultural project being organized outside the Nordic countries in 2004- 2006. The exhibition opened in Berlin in the autumn of 2003 before going on tour in 2004-2006 to the following cities: Milan, Ghent, Prague, Budapest, Riga, Glasgow, Copenhagen, Gothenburg and Oslo. The exhibition presents Nordic design from the 1950s to contemporary industrial design. www.scandesign.org

The exhibition opens in Copenhagen September 15th.

The new challenges for design, innovation and technology will be in focus in Copenhagen 26 – 29 September during the World Design Congress **era 05.** The Congress will gather about 3000 international guests and experts to discuss the theme of the Congress – The Changing Role and Challenges of Design. <u>www.era05.com</u>