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Dear colleagues,

During last years we have been collaborating with NIFCA in the PUNKT residency program. This program opened Nordic countries art scene for many Russian artists and gave us a unique opportunity to discover a number of interesting artists from Nordic Countries;

The curators from St. Petersburg and from the NCCA especially many times used the possibility to work in NIFCA residencies and office in Suomenlinna, Helsinki, and always got an excellent expertise and professional help from NIFCA specialists.

Now we are also planning a number of programs in co-operation with NIFCA, as:
- the Russian version of Populism project (2006)
- the seminar of Artists' copy rights in St. Petersburg (2006)
- probably the Criss Cross program distribution in Russia (2006)

We should say that we big need and we are very interested in a partner art institution in Nordic Countries to co-operate with to exchange the ideas, projects and artistic initiatives.

Sincerely yours

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