

CONFERENCE **EUROPEAN TERRITORIAL COOPERATION PROGRAMMES 2007-2013:
EXPECTATIONS, CHANGES AND CHALLENGES**

VENUE BEST WESTERN GRAND HOTEL HUNGARIA, BUDAPEST

DATE 29 AND 30 MARCH 2007

Agenda 29 March 2007

08:30-09:30 *Registration and coffee*

09:30-10:30 First part: Opening and Keynote Addresses

Moderator: Ms Jutta Moll, INTERACT Managing Authority.

- Opening by Mr Gordon Bajnai, Government Commissioner in charge of Development Policy, National Development Agency, Hungary.
- Keynote address by Mr Michele Pasca-Raymondo, Deputy Director-General, DG Regional Policy, European Commission.
- Address by Mr Jan Olbrycht, Member of the European Parliament, Vice-Chair of the European Parliament's Committee on Regional Development.
- Address by Sir Albert Bore, President of the Committee of the Region's Commission for Territorial Cohesion (COTER) and Member of Birmingham City Council.

10:30-11:15 Panel discussion with Q&A

Panel: Mr Michele Pasca-Raymondo, Mr Gordon Bajnai, Mr Jan Olbrycht, Sir Albert Bore.

11:15-11:45 *Coffee break*

11:45-12:30 Second part: Strategic role of cooperation and transfer of good practice

Chair: Ms Rossella Rusca, Italian Ministry of Economic Development

Supported by Ms Riitta Ahdan, INTERACT Office Turku

- Mr Colin Wolfe, European Commission, DG Regional Policy: Regions for Economic Change - transferring knowledge on regional development from URBACT and Interregional Programme to Convergence and Competitiveness programmes.
- Mr Michel Lamblin, INTERREG IIIC West: INTERREG IVC – How to reinforce the impact of Interregional cooperation: taking stock of INTERREG IIIC; building on experience of programme management; contributing to the accelerated transfer.
- Ms Melody Houk, URBACT: How can URBACT influence Regional Policy and INTERREG programmes.
- Mr Thiemo Eser, ESPON: presentation of the new ESPON Programme focused on the transferability of results to INTERREG and new initiatives to build bridges between INTERREG and ESPON.

12:30-12:40 Film presentation INTERACT II: Presentation of the new programme introduced by Ms Daniela Abratzky, INTERACT Office Vienna.

12:40-13:30 Q & A session

13:30-15:00 *Lunch*

15:00-16:30 **Third part: Improving the intensity and impact of cooperation, Panel discussion**

Chair: Ms Claude Marcori, DIACT - French Interministerial Delegation for Spatial Planning and Territorial Competitiveness.

Supported by Mr Mauro Novello, INTERACT Office Vienna

- Key note by Ms Elisabeth Helander, Director, Directorate General for Regional Policy, European Commission.

Panelists:

- Mr Stephan Brauckmann, Head of Referat 36, Managing Authority INTERREG IIIA, Ministry of Economy and Labour of Saxony.
- Ms Iwona Brol, Deputy Director, Territorial Cooperation Department, Polish Ministry Regional Development.
- Mr Francisco Cipriano, National Coordinator of INTERREG IIIC South, Portuguese Office of the State of Secretary for Regional Development.
- Ms Krista Kampus, Deputy Head of the INTERREG Department, Estonian Ministry of Interior.
- Mr Wolf Huber, Head of Department for Regional Policy and Spatial Planning, Austrian Federal Chancellery.
- Mr Petri Haapalainen, Senior Officer, Department for Development of Regions and Public Administration, Finnish Ministry of Interior.
- Mr Hansjörg Schaal, Director of Referat E A 5 Future of EU: Institutional and Financial Issues as well as Territorial Cooperation, German Federal Ministry of Economy and Technology.
- Ms Magdalena Voinea, Head of Unit, Directorate for European Territorial Cooperation with EU Member States, Romanian Ministry of European Integration.

16:30–17:45 Q & A from the audience

17:45–18:00 Summary of main issues of Day 1 by Mr Mauro Novello, INTERACT Office Vienna.

Introduction of the Agenda for Day 2 by Mr Matt Nichols, INTERACT Office Viborg.

Participants are kindly invited for a Cocktail Reception hosted by the National Development Agency in Hungary. Hostesses will guide participants to the cocktail reception in the hotel immediately after the end of Day 1.

Agenda 30 March 2007

08:30-09:00 *Morning Coffee*

First part: The main management changes-challenges for the new programmes

09:00-10.00 Plenary Presentations

Chair: Mr Paul Cozzi, INTERACT Secretariat

Supported by Mr Manuel Gonzalez, INTERACT Office Valencia

- Financial management and control: an integrated approach. Speaker: Mr Anders Lindholm, Ministry of Industry, Employment and Communications, Sweden - Member of the Monitoring Committee of 3 INTERREG IIIA Programmes.
- Strategic project generation and process monitoring of impacts in cross-border and transnational programmes. Speaker: Mr Christian Salletmaier, Head of Managing Authority Alpine Space Programme, Office of the Salzburg Government, Department 15 – Economy and Tourism, Austria.
- Framework requirements for programme structures (including EGTC and MoU). Speaker: Mr Gianluca Spinaci, Unit Policy Analysis, Studies and Interinstitutional Legislative Planning, Committee of the Regions.
- The external component of the European Territorial Cooperation programmes: the 10% rule and cooperation under IPA. Speaker: Mr Imre Csalagovits, Director of VÁTI INTERREG, Hungary.

10:00-10:25 *Coffee break*

10:25–12:10 Workshops on the key issues for the kick-off and implementation of the new programmes

- WS1: Financial management and control: an integrated approach.
Conference Room I
Speaker: Mr Anders Lindholm - Other speakers to be confirmed.
Facilitators: Mr Matt Nichols, Ms Katarzyna Pelc, INTERACT Office Viborg
- WS2: Strategic project generation and process monitoring of impacts in cross-border and transnational programmes.
Conference Room II
Speaker: Mr Christian Salletmaier – Other speakers to be confirmed.
Facilitators: Mr Roger Hildebrandt, Mr Mauro Novello, INTERACT Office Vienna and Ms Katerina Staneva, INTERACT Office Viborg, Mr Juan Alcocer, INTERACT Office Valencia.
Specific attention will be given to transnational/interregional/network programmes and their specific strategy approach through a sub-grouping. Room Baross
- WS3: Framework requirements for programme structures (including EGTC and MoU).
Conference Phoenix
Speaker: Mr Gianluca Spinaci - Other speakers to be confirmed.

Facilitators: Ms Inma Arroyas, Ms Marta Roca and Mr Manuel Gonzalez, INTERACT Office Valencia and Ms Elise Blais, INTERACT Office Vienna.

- WS4: The external component of the European Territorial Cooperation programmes: the 10% rule and cooperation under IPA.

Conference Imperial I / II

Speaker: Mr Imre Csalagovits – Other speakers to be confirmed.

Facilitators: Ms Riitta Ahdan, Ms Satu Hietanen, INTERACT Office Turku.

12:10-12:20 *Changing session*

Second part: INTERACT II: What are the challenges ahead?

12:20-13:15 Plenary

Chair: Mr Paul Cozzi, INTERACT Secretariat

- Feedback from the workshops and INTERACT II Presentation by Mr Mattia Agnetti, INTERACT Secretariat.
- Working session on the main challenges of the new INTERACT II Programme.
Facilitator: Mr Matt Nichols, INTERACT Office Viborg.

13:15-13:30 Conclusions

The conference is organised by the INTERACT Programme together with the European Commission and co-hosted by the National Development Agency in Hungary .