









# DRAFT PROGRAMME

# **MONDAY, 26 June 2017**

09.00 - 14.00	Registrationsopen
12.30-14.00	Welcome lunch
14.00 -14.30	OPENING SESSION Room:Gasperi

### Welcome and setting the scene

Corina Creţu, European Commissioner for Regional Policy

#### Opening remarks/Keynote speech

Jyrki Katainen, Vice-President for Growth, Jobs, Investment and Competitiveness, **European Commission** 

14.30 - 16.30

### 1<sup>st</sup> PANEL DEBATE – Cohesion, investment and structural reforms **Room:** Gasperi

- Pierre Moscovici, European Commissioner for Economic and Financial Affairs
- Peter Pellegrini, Deputy Prime Minister, Slovakia
- Dana Reizniece-Ozola, Minister of Finance, Latvia
- Claudio De Vincenti, Minister for Territorial cohesion and Mezzogiorno, Italy
- Philippe Richert, President of Association of French regions and President of Region GrandEst, France

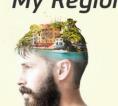
16.30-16.50

### **KEYNOTE SPEECH** Room:Gasperi

Günther Oettinger, European Commissioner for Budget and Human Resources

**Comfort break** 











17.00 - 18.30

#### PARALLEL WORKSHOPS - The views from the other institutions

WS 1: Addressing divides: regions, cities, and rural areas WS 2: Creating resilience: social inclusion and innovation

WS 3: Making the most of public investment: governance and cooperation

Chair: **ConstanzeKrehl**, Member of the European Parliament

Chair: Lambert Van Nistelrooij, Member of the European Parliament

Chair: **IskraMihaylova**, Member of the European Parliament

Room: Gasperi

Room: Jenkins

Room: Mansholt

#### **Introductory speech:**

Phil Hogan, European Commissioner for Agriculture and Rural Development

## Introductory speech:

Corina Creţu, European Commissioner for Regional Policy

## Introductory speech:

Karmenu Vella, European Commissioner for Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

#### **Speakers:**

- Mari Kiviniemi, Deputy Secretary General of the OECD
- Michael Schneider, Committee of the Regions, Member of the Committee of the Regions and State Secretary, Representative of the Land of Saxony-Anhalt, Germany
- Yordanka Fandakova, Mayor of Sofia, Bulgaria.
- Paul Soto, Team Leader of the Contact Point of the European Network for Rural Development

# **Speakers:**

- Georges Dassis, President of the European Economic and Social Committee
- Patrizio Bianchi, Regional Minister for Coordination of European Policies for Growth, Education, Vocational training, University, Research and Employment of Emilia-Romagna, Italy
- Ann-Sofie Hermansson, Mayor of Gothenburg, Sweden
- Sorcha Edwards, Secretary General of Housing Europe

#### **Speakers:**

- Vazil Hudák, Vice-President of the European Investment Bank
- Karla Šlechtová, Minister of Regional Development, Czech Republic
- Beate Merk, Minister of State for European Affairs and Regional Relations of the Free State of Bavaria, Germany
- Rosa Quintana Carballo, Regional Minister for Fisheries and Maritime Affairs of Galicia, Spain

19.00 - 21.00

**RECEPTION, Berlaymont Piazza** 

Venue : Charlemagne Building, Rue de la Loi 170, Brussels Belgium











# **TUESDAY, 27 June 2017**

08.30 - 09.30

Welcome coffee

09.30-10.00

**KEYNOTE SPEECHES** 

Room:Gasperi

- Antonio Tajani, President of the European Parliament
- Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the European Commission
- Joseph Muscat, Prime Minister, Malta

10.00 - 12.00

2<sup>nd</sup> PANEL DEBATE – Globalization and technological change: a European response Room: Gasperi

- Markku Markkula, President of the Committee of the Regions
- Pedro Marques, Minister of Planning and Infrastructure, Portugal
- Richard Ferrand, Minister of territorial cohesion, France
- Enrico Rossi, President of Tuscany and Vice-President of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions

12.00 - 12.20

**KEYNOTE SPEECH** 

Room:Gasperi

Marianne Thyssen, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and **Labour Mobility** 

12.20 - 14.00

Lunch

**KEYNOTE SPEECH: EU cohesion policy, a forward looking perspective** Room: Gasperi

Fabrizio Barca, Author of 'An agenda for a reformed cohesion policy'

3<sup>rd</sup> PANEL DEBATE – Simple, more effective rules: a blueprint Room: Gasperi

- Gabrijela Žalac, Minister of Regional Development and EU Funds, Croatia
- Stanislaw Tillich, Minister-President of Saxony, Germany
- Kerstin Westphal, Member of the European Parliament
- Siim Kallas, Chair of the High Level Group on Simplification
- John Bachtler, Professor of European Policy Studies and Director of the European Policies Research Centre

16.15 - 16.45

**CLOSING SESSION** 

Room: Gasperi

Corina Creţu, European Commissioner for Regional Policy

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