

CONFERENCE

EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region and Synergies with the EU Direct Funding Programmes

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Venue: Committee of the Region
Rue Belliard 99-101, B-1040 Brussels (Belgium)

DRAFT PROGRAMME
(09-06-2014)

MORNING SESSION – 26 JUNE 2014, THURSDAY

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 09:30 Welcoming address and introduction **Room JDE 51**

Gianluca Spinaci, Head of Cabinet Head of Cabinet of the Secretary General at Committee of the Regions
Francesco Cocco, AdriGov Project Coordinator and Secretary General of Adriatic Ionian Euroregion
Paola Di Salvatore, Managing Authority of the IPA ADRIATIC CBC PROGRAMME

09:30 – 11:00 FIRST THEMATIC SESSION **Room JDE 51**

Moderator: *Giampiero Gramaglia*, Journalist and Director of Euractiv.it

CREATIVE EUROPE

Marie-Luce VISSOL, Deputy Head of Unit, Culture Unit, EACEA - Educational Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency

EUROPE FOR CITIZENS

Philippe Cova, Head of Unit, EACEA - Educational Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency

ERASMUS+

Ann Branch, Head of Unit EAC/B3 Programme coordination Erasmus+, Directorate General for Education and Culture - DG EAC – European Commission (TBC)

DEBATE

Introduced by:

Vesna Tomsič, Councillor of the Province of Gorizia, LP of Youth AdriNet Project

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:30

ROUND TABLE "TOWARDS AN EU STRATEGY FOR THE ADRIATIC AND IONIAN REGION"

Room JDE 51

- **Paolo di Laura Frattura**, President of Molise Region and Adriatic Ionian Euroregion
- **Dubravka ŠUICA**, Croatian Member of the European Parliament (TBC)
- **Gian Mario Spacca**, President of Marche Region and President of the CoR - Interregional Group "Adriatic - Ionian"
- **Representative of Italian Government / Representative of EU Permanent Representation of Italy** (TBC)
- **Representative of Croatian Government** (TBC)
- **Nikola Dobroslavić**, President of Dubrovnik-Neretva County and Vice-President of Adriatic Ionian Euroregion
- **Milena Harito**, Minister for Innovation and Public Administration – Republic of Albania
- **Gerhard Schumann-Hitzler**, Director for Regional Cooperation & Assistance, DG Enlargement - European Commission
- **José Palma Andrés**, Director of Territorial Co-operation, Macro-regions and North-West Europe, DG REGIO - European Commission (TBC)
- **Carla Montesi**, Director of Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, DG REGIO – European Commission (TBC)

13:30 – 14:30

Buffet Lunch

AFTERNOON SESSION – 26 JUNE 2014, THURSDAY

14:30 – 16:30

SECOND THEMATIC SESSION

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COSME Programme 2014-2020: opportunities for the EU tourism sector

Cinzia De Marzo, National Expert - Unit E1 - Tourism Policy - Directorate-General Enterprise and Industry - European Commission

HORIZON 2020

Sieglinde Gruber, Head of Unit Marine Resources, European Commission - DG Research and Innovation

LIFE 2014-2020

Stefania BETTI, Italian National Contact Point of LIFE PROGRAMME (TBC)

CONNECTING EUROPE FACILITY

Lia Potec, Policy officer, European Commission - DG Mobility and Transport

EIB'S INVESTMENT IN ADRIATIC IONIAN MACROREGION

Alessandro Carano, Head of Unit, EIB - European Investment Bank

DEBATE

Introduced by:

Patrizio Bianchi, Regional Minister for School, Vocational Training, Labour, University and research - Emilia-Romagna Region