



Invitation

Dear Sir or Madam,

A distinct region in Central Europe of old and new Member States stretches along the borders of Southern Scandinavia across the Baltic Sea to the areas along the Adriatic coast. For historical reasons, this structurally exceptional area lacks in institutional and business cooperation as well as infrastructural and socio-economic cohesion.

The regions are strongly engaged in cross-border and transnational cooperation to counteract problems and deficits in the fields of passenger and goods transportation while optimising transportation nodes and strengthening economic cross-border activities.

Therefore, the Regions along the Scandinavian-Adriatic Development Region, supported by the German Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs and the German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development cordially invite you to attend the following event:

Scandinavian-Adriatic Development Region – Transport, Logistics and Business Cooperation Endorsing Economic Growth

Recommendations for the Future of a European Cohesion and Transport Policy

04 May 2010, 13.30 h

Committee of the Regions, Rue Belliard 99-101, Brussels

The event serves as a platform to discuss business cooperation, transportation infrastructure as well as logistic solutions. It is intended that the conclusions be incorporated in the future cohesion and transport policy.

Afterwards, the Berlin-Brandenburg Business Representation invites you to attend a Parliamentary Evening beginning at 19h30 Square Ambiorix 13 on the topic:

North-South Initiative: Creating a new European Economic Region.



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Structure of the conference

- 13.30 h** **Welcome and Opening**
Dr. Gerhard Stahl *Secretary General Committee of the Regions*
Interlinkages of Economic Performance and Transportation
Jerker Sjögren *(requested),*
Swedish Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communications, Green Corridors
- 14.00 h** **Panel 1: Cross-Border Transportation and Logistics**
Keynote Speech: Seaports as Intermodal Hubs in the TEN-T Network
Dr. Ulrich Bauermeister
Vice-President of the Association of German Seaport Operators
- Panellists**
Dr. Mathias Ruete *Director General for Mobility and Transport, European Commission (tbc)*
Maria Krautzberger, *State Secretary for Transport and Urban Development, State of Berlin*
Kristina Edlinger-Ploder, *Minister for Transport, Science and Research, Steiermark*
Grzegorz Roman, *Vice-Marshal of Lower Silesia Region*
Sebastian Schröder, *State Secretary of Mecklenburg West-Pomerania*
Margrete Auken, *MEP, The Greens, Committee on Transport and Tourism (tbc)*
Moderator: **Dorothea Palenberg**, *blue! advancing European projects*
- 15.30 h** **Coffee Break**
- 16.00 h** **Podium 2: Cross-Border Economic Cooperation**
Keynote speech
Gian Angelo Bellati
Director, Regional Chambers of Commerce of Veneto Region (tbc)
- Panellists**
Dr. Jan Olbrycht, *MEP, EPP, Committee on Regional Development (tbc)*
Zuzana Brzobohata, *MEP, S&D, Committee on Regional Development*
Johannes Hahn, *Commissioner for Regional Policy (tbc)*
Luca Zaia, *President of Veneto Region (tbc)*
Dr. Josef Martinz, *Regional Minister responsible for Economics, EU Affairs, Agricultural Policy and Local Affairs, Kärnten*
Oda Scheibelhuber, *Head of Directorate, Federal Ministry of Transport, Building and Urban Affairs, Germany (tbc)*
Moderation: **Dorothea Palenberg**, *blue! advancing European projects*
- 17.30 h** **Conclusions of the Conference**
Christian Huttenloher, *Secretary General, German Association for Housing, Urban and Spatial Development, Berlin*
Outlook on Cohesion Policy 2014-2020
- 18.00 h** **Closure, transfer to the Parliamentary Evening at Square Ambiorix 13**
19.30 h **Parliamentary Evening Berlin-Brandenburg Business Representation**

REPLY FORM

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*Recommendations for the Future of a European Cohesion and Transport
Policy*

Venue: Committee of the Regions (CoR), Brussels

Date: 4. May 2010, 13.30-18 h

I will participate

Unfortunately I cannot attend

The number of places is limited so please confirm by 22/04/2010 at the latest!

Participant's contact information:

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