

Venue:

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AGENDA OUTLINE

INTERACT seminar on “Introduction to European Territorial Cooperation”

Brussels (BE), 25-26 September 2007

DAY 1. Tuesday, 25th of September

8.30 *Registration and welcome coffee*

9.00 Introduction: Seminar framework – INTERACT

- Welcoming word - outline of the seminar
- Introduction of participants
- Presentation of the INTERACT programme

9.30 SESSION 1. The EU Cohesion Policy and the place of Territorial Cooperation

- EU Cohesion Policy 2007-2013
- Regulatory framework - Financial allocations
- The Territorial Cooperation under the EU Cohesion Policy

10.15 SESSION 2. The European Territorial Cooperation

- Types of Territorial Cooperation
- Historical background & evolution
- Added value and new features 2007-2013
- Cross-border cooperation – IPA and ENPI

11.00 *Coffee break*

11.30. **WORKING GROUP 1:** Interpretation of the Lisbon and Gothenburg agendas

12.30 SESSION 3. Programme set up and management

- Setting up a programme
- Programme management structure
- Legal Framework and formal requirements
- Financial management at programme level

13.30 *Lunch*

14.30 SESSION 4. From programme to project

15:00 **WORKING GROUP 2:** Defining programme priorities and priority actions

16.15 *Coffee break*

16.45 **CASE STUDIES:** Presentation of sample programmes as models for programming and management

1. Cross-border Cooperation: IIIA EUREGIO, Euregio Rhein-Waal, Euregio Rhein-Maas-Nord
2. Transnational Cooperation: IIIB North-West Europe
3. Interregional Cooperation – INTERREG IIIC - IVC

18.00 *Closure of Day 1*

DAY 2. Wednesday, 26th of September

8.30 *Welcome coffee*

9.00 **Briefing of previous day, summary of WGs outcomes**

9:15 SESSION 5. Project generation and development

- Basic notions
- Formal and technical requirements in project development

9.45 WORKING GROUP 3

- Development of a project proposal based on given ideas

11.00 *Coffee break*

11.30 **CASE STUDIES:** Presentation of flagship projects by project managers: Best practices for project development and management

1. Cross-border cooperation: NORLOGIS (IIIA)
2. Transnational cooperation:
3. Interregional cooperation: AQUARREG (IIIC)

12.45 SESSION 6. Project implementation

13.30 *Lunch*

14.30 **WORKING GROUP 4:** Facing project implementation:

Main elements of Joint Convention and Subsidy Contract

16.00 **Final test and evaluation**

16.30 *Closure of day 2*