







#### **WORKSHOP**

### **Simplification of European Territorial Cooperation**

European Committee of the Regions
Rue Van Maerlant 2, 1040 Brussels, Room VMA 1
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13:00 Opening of the registration | Bring your national ID / Passport with you
 13:15 Networking lunch offered by INTERact

#### 14:15 **Opening of the workshop**

Mr **Petr Osvald**, Chair of the Commission for Territorial Cohesion Policy and EU Budget (COTER), Political Coordinator of the EGTC Platform, European Committee of the Regions

Ms Ana-Paula Laissy, Head of Unit, DG REGIO, European Commission

#### Introduction

Ms **Iulia Hertzog**, Member of the High Level Group on monitoring simplification for beneficiaries of ESI Funds; Head of Managing Authority for ETC Programmes in Romania

#### 14:45 Simplification of ETC Programme management

#### Moderator

Ms Katja Ecke, Expert, INTERact

#### Focus on audit matters

Ms **Anne Wetzel**, Director, Europe direct Hauts de France (MA of 3 ETC programmes)

#### State Aid simplification

Mr Przemyslaw Kniaziuk, Expert, INTERact

Discussion









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#### 16:30 Simplification of ETC Project Management

#### Moderator

Mr Martín Guillermo Ramírez, Secretary General, AEBR

Mr **Robert Nemeth**, Pannon Business Network Association Ms **Fenna Beekmans**, Director of Europa decentraal

Discussion

## 17:30 European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation, access to ETC programmes and issues of eligibility with EU funded programmes

#### Moderator

Mr **Pavel Branda**, CoR Member and Rapporteur on the CoR Opinion 'People-to-people projects in cross-border cooperation programmes'

Ms **Sandra Sodini**, Director, EGTC GO

Mr Jörg Saalbach, Director, Interregional Alliance for the Rhine-Alpine Corridor EGTC

Discussion

#### 18:00 Closing remarks

#### Moderator

Mr **Thomas Wobben**, Director, Legislative Work 2, European Committee of the Regions

Ms **Petra Masacova**, Head of Management Authority, INTERact Mr **Ádám Karácsony**, CoR Member and Rapporteur on the CoR Opinion 'Boosting Growth and Cohesion in EU Border Regions'



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