



European Committee
of the Regions

Workshop of the CoR and EUROCHAMBRES

Consequences of the UK's withdrawal from the EU on trade and economy in EU27 regions and cities



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20 March 2018, 12:45-14:30, room JDE 51

Following the UK's decision to leave the EU and considering the substantial expected repercussions from this withdrawal, the CoR has started a process of analysing and debating the exposure of EU27 regions and cities to the UK's withdrawal from the EU on the basis of key economic indicators notably pertaining to the nature and the scale of their trade linkages with the UK.

The Commission for Economic Policy (ECON) commissioned a **study** on *The impact of the UK's withdrawal from the EU on EU27 regions and cities* and carried out, in cooperation with EUROCHAMBRES, a **survey** on the same topic among EU27 regions, cities, and chambers of commerce. The ECON commission also organised a **Territorial Impact Assessment (TIA) workshop** on the potential impact of the UK's withdrawal from the EU on EU27 regions and cities where experts from regions, cities, chambers of commerce and associations representing regions deliberated the potential asymmetric impact of the UK leaving on certain EU27 regions and cities, looked at the linkages across and between sectors/activities and shared their experience in assessing the local/regional impact in their respective regions.

The workshop will be an opportunity to look into the overall analysis results and the key findings of this analytical work and place it in a wider context in view of the forthcoming negotiations pertaining to the future UK- EU27 relationship.

12:30-12:45 **Registration**

12:45-12:50 **Welcome**

Thomas Wobben, Director for Legislative Work, CoR

12:50-14:15 **Territorial Impact assessment UK's withdrawal from the EU: key findings and panel discussion**

Moderation and introduction of key findings

Bert Kuby, Head of Unit, ECON Commission, CoR

Panelists

Michael Murphy, Head of Irish Delegation, Vice President of the CoR Bureau, member of Ireland's Tipperary County Council

Ben Butters, Policy Director, EUROCHAMBRES

Fanny Gasc, Department of interregional cooperation and European programmes, Regional Council of Brittany

Juan Carlos Cañoto Argüelles, Deputy Director for Members and Plenaries, CoR

Q&A

14:15-14:30 **Closing remarks**

Thomas Wobben, Director for Legislative Work, CoR

Arnaldo Abruzzini, CEO, EUROCHAMBRES

