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## **Disaster Risk Management in European Regions and Cities Towards reducing the number of affected people**

**14:00**            **Registration**

**14:30**            **High – level plenary session**

Moderator: **Mr. Michele Cercone**

**Mr. Robert Glasser**, UNISDR, Special Representative of the Secretary General

**Mr. Karl –Heinz Lambertz (BE/PES)**, President of the European Committee of the Regions

**Ms. Corina Crețu**, European Commission, Commissioner for Regional Policy

**15:00**            **Local and regional authorities: Key players in disaster prevention.**

*The session will focus on best practices in reducing disaster risk, lessons learned and prevention-related policies.*

**Moderator: Mr. Adam Banaszak (PL/ECR)**, CoR Rapporteur, Vice-president of Kujawsko-Pomorskie Regional Assembly

**Ms. Catuscia Marini (IT/PES)**, President of the Umbria Region, Italy

**Ms. Nacira Boulehouat**, European Commission DG ECHO - Head of Unit "Disaster Risk Reduction, European Voluntary Humanitarian Corps"

**Mr. Herwig van Staa**, President of the Regional Parliament, Tyrol, Austria

**Mr Hannes Kont**, Deputy Secretary General for Rescue Policy and Crisis Management, Ministry of Interior, Estonia

Q&A session and discussion

16:00

## Closing the gaps in disaster risk governance

*The session will focus on financing of projects, funding instruments and the role of private companies, as well as avoiding economic downturn after disasters*

Moderator: **Mr. Vito Santarsiero** (IT/PES), CoR rapporteur, Member of the Basilicata Regional Council

**Mr. Leonard Reinard**, European Investment Bank, Head of Division

**Ms. Alanna Simpson**, World Bank, Regional Coordinator for Disaster Risk Management for Europe and Central Asia

**Mr. John Scott**, Chief Risk Officer Commercial Insurance, Zurich Insurance Company

**Mr Pavel Branda (CZ/ECR)**, Deputy-mayor of Rádlo Municipality, chairman of the

### Interregional group on cross-border cooperation of the CoR

Q&A session and discussion

17:00

## Conclusions

Moderator: **Mr. Harvey Siggs** (UK/ECR), CoR Rapporteur, Leader of Mendip Council

Professor Mr. Angelo Masi, University of Basilicata, IT

Contributions from the audience

Conclusions by Mr. Harvey Siggs

Interpretation available in EN, DE, FR, IT, PL

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