



XVII GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CONFÉRENCE OF ATLANTIC ARC CITIES

An Atlantic and urban view of the future of Europe

28 and 29 April 2017 - Viana do Castelo

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Draft agenda

Committee of the Regions Seminar **UE maritime agenda: a territorial view**28 April 2017 – Viana do Castelo **MODERATOR: (TBC)**

14.30 – 15.00: Participant's register

15.00 – 16.00: Ideas on EU Maritime Policy

- Mr Jose María Da Cunha Costa (President of the Portuguese delegation of the Committee of the Regions, Mayor of Viana do Castelo, President of the CAAC)
- Mr Emilio Brògueira Dias (Board of directors' chairman of the ports of Douro, Leixões and Viana Do Castelo)
- Ms Marcella Smyth (Maritime Affairs Attaché for the Irish representation before the EU)
- Mr Stanisław Szwabski (Rapporteur on the Regeneration of port cities and port areas for the Committee of the Regions, Gdynia City Council in Poland)
- Ms Vanda Nunes (Sea Affairs Adviser for the Lisbon City Council)
- Mr Jerry Lundy (Committee of the Regions representative for the Atlantic Maritime Strategy, Sligo County Council in Ireland)

16.00-17.15: Interactive dialogue on EU Maritime Policy

• Time for the audience to express their own views, put forward questions, present their projects and make proposals.

17.15: Conclusions of the meeting

Executive Bureau

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18.00 – 19.00: **Political Strategy**: Discussion on the White Paper on the Future of Europe and on Brexit.

19.00 – 19.45: Projects and action program.

19.45 – 20.00: Administrative / statutory point and closure.

20.00 – 22.00: Diner - Debate on Atlantic Maritime Strategy





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8.45: Registration of Participants

9.00 – 9.30: **Extraordinary General Assembly** (Reserved for members)

- Welcoming remarks by Mr Jose María Da Cunha Costa (Mayor of Viana Do Castelo and President of the CVAA, President of the Portuguese delegation to the Committee of the Regions)
- Statutory point and elections of the Thematic Commissions

9.30 – 9.45: Future of Cohesion Policy

 M. Kieran McCarthy (Coordinator of the CAAC Working group on Cohesion, Member of the commissions for Social Policy (SEDEC) and for Territorial Cohesion Policy and EU Budget (COTER) of the Committee of the Regions, Cork City Council)

9.45 – 11.00: Consolidating cooperation between Atlantic cities

- Ms Gema Igual (Mayor of Santander, Vice-President of the CAAC)
- Mr Marvin Reeves (Mayor of Bristol)
- Mr Dominique Cap (Vice-president of Brest Métropole, Mayor of Plougastel-Daoulas)
- Mr Ricardo Serrão Santos (Member of the European Parliament and the delegations for relations with Canada Delegation, with the United States, with the countries of the Andean Community)
- Exchanges with the audience

11.00 – 11.15: Coffee

11.15 – 12.45: Citizenship and culture as engines of the city

11.15 – 11.45: The Atlantic culture: two successful experiences

- Mr Norbert Métairie (Mayor of Lorient and President of Lorient Agglomération)
- Mr François Arbellot (Secretary General of the International Committee of the Atlantic Watersports Games)

11.45 – 12.45: <u>Citizen participation: Atlantic experiences</u>

- Ms Anabel Marie (Town Councillor for Europe at Rennes)
- Mr Martiño Noriega (Mayor of Santiago de Compostela)
- Interventions from other cities with similar experiences from the room

12.45 – 13.45: Urban requalification: Atlantic cities and port areas

- Ms Sylvie Guerry Gazeau (Vice-President of La Rochelle Agglomération, Mayor of Clavette, Vice-Presidency of the CAAC)
- Mr Xulio Ferreiro (Mayor of A Corunna)
- Mr Augusto Hidalgo (Mayor of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Atlantic City of the year 2017)
- Mr David Samzun (President of Saint-Nazaire Agglomération, Mayor of Saint-Nazaire, Vice-President of the CAAC)
- Exchanges with the audience

13.45: Adoption of the Final Declaration and the political documents.

14.00: Closing by a representative of the Portuguese government.

14.15: Lunch.