

## **Social innovation for zero long-term unemployment - towards an EU-wide response**

18 April 2024, 14:30-15:45 CET

European Committee of the Regions  
(Rue Belliard 101, 1040 Brussels) Room JDE 53

### **Programme**

#### **14:30 - 15:15 Working together at the EU and at local level – why it is important**

Welcome by **Vasco Alves Cordeiro**, President, European Committee of the Regions

Round table discussion with:

- **Nicolas Schmit**, European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights
- **Agnes Jongerius**, Member of the European Parliament (*tbc*)
- **Aurore Lalucq**, Member of the European Parliament (*tbc*)
- **Patrizia Bussi**, Director of the European Network of Social Integration Enterprises (ENSIE) and Vice-President of Social Economy Europe (*tbc*)
- **Maria Victoria Chivita Navascués**, President of the Regional Government of Navarre, FR, Member of the Committee of the Regions
- **Yonnec Polet**, Deputy Mayor of Berchem-Sainte-Agathe, Brussels Capital Region, Member of the Committee of the Regions and rapporteur on the CoR opinion on zero long-term unemployment

*Moderated by **Tanya Hristova** (CoR member, Chair of SEDEC Commission) (*tbc*)*

#### **15:15 – 15:45 Taking action – how to benefit from the EU funding opportunities for supporting local zero long-term unemployment initiatives and job guarantee schemes**

- **Ruth Paserman** Director, European Commission, DG EMPL, EMPL G, Funds: Programming and Implementation (*tbc*)
- **Q&A, discussion**

Interpretation: English, French, Spanish. The event will be webstreamed.