18th EUROPEAN WEEK of REGIONS and CITIES

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#EURegionsWeek 2020
#EURegionsWeek 2020: a record edition!

- **Record number of 12,000 participants**, with an unprecedented presence of Commissioners, EU leaders, including the EC and CoR Presidents, in various political debates

- **Digital for the first time ever**, with a rich programme *spread over 3 weeks*

- **800 Partners** organizing **510 sessions** (86 coordinated by CoR and 424 by REGIO)

- **80% satisfaction** rate from partners and participants

- Despite the uncertain times, the fully digital edition of the EURegionsWeek confirmed itself as **the flagship political platform for engaging local and regional politicians with EU leaders**

**Key takeaways for the next edition:**
- Learn more about EU initiatives/new funding opportunities/COVID19 recovery plan
- Experience networking in a digital format
- Reduce complexity and length and increase quality
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#EURegionsWeek 2021

11 - 14 OCT 2021

#EURegionsWeek
EURegionsWeek anchored in Cohesion Policy:

- **Unprecedented investment, unprecedented preparations**: this is the networking opportunity for politicians to interact with partners, participants and EU Institutions.

- **Consolidate a common messaging** on the new cohesion policy in relation with other investments tools for a green, inclusive, fair and digital recovery.

- **Interaction with other Commissions** - for example the relationship with the Recovery and Resilience Fund (ECON); the possible link with health (NAT), with the Covenant of Mayors on climate (ENVE) in the new cohesion policy, its relation with other investments tools for a green, inclusive, fair and digital recovery.

- **Reinforce inter-institutional cooperation** (e.g. REGI-COTER).

- **Contribute to the Conference on the Future of Europe (CIVEX)**.

Submission deadline: 26 March 2021
Features 2021

• Thematic focus:
  ✓ Green transition: for a sustainable and green recovery
  ✓ Cohesion: from emergency to resilience
  ✓ Digital transition for people
  ✓ Citizens’ engagement: for an inclusive, participative and fair recovery

• Length & Format: 1 week - fully digital by default – various session formats

• Quality vs Quantity: reduction of complexity (300 events max)

• Reinforced corporate communication

• Strong participation of CoR members, YEPs and local and regional politicians: our KIP

• Strong participation of European Associations including #Cohesion alliance partners

• Ad hoc programmes: YEPs programme, Master class, Media programme

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Objectives:

- Share common messages on key priorities and concrete answers on how to foster a social, health, economic recovery in Europe: from emergency to resilience
- Promote a debate on the new cohesion policy, from emergency to recovery
- Other themes for the week: Green transition for a sustainable and green recovery and Digital transition for people as sub-themes, Citizens engagement - for an inclusive, participative and fair recovery as second sub-theme
- Reinforce inter-institutional cooperation

Option 1) Political debate in the context of the CoR plenary session

Option 2) Political debate organised in a TV show style (hybrid)

Option 3) Top-level “Presidents’ forum” (fully digital)