Lunchtime-Briefing

In cooperation with the European Association of Public Banks (EAPB), represented by the Hungarian Development Bank (MFB), and the Association of German Public Banks (VÖB) represented by the Investitionsbank Sachsen-Anhalt, the European Committee of the Regions is pleased to invite you to the lunchtime briefing:

**European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF):**

The role of regional and national promotional banks in bridging the investment gap

Friday 15 February, 12:30-14:20, CoR (Room: JDE 51)

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This lunchtime briefing will explore the role of regional and national promotional banks in addressing the investment gap at local and regional level with the support of ESI Funds. Two concrete examples of instruments designed for the specific needs of two regions will illustrate the process of setting up and implementing financial instruments, as well as the benefits for the final beneficiaries and for the regional and national economy.
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12:30  Registration
Light lunch buffet

13:00  Welcome
Karl-Heinz Lambertz, CoR President

13:05  ESIF: The role of regional banks in bridging the investment gap
Marcel Roy, EAPB Secretary General

13:15  Regional tailor made financial instruments:

1. ERDF Loan Fund in Saxony-Anhalt
Marc Meizer, Managing Director, and Carsten Buhman, EU Policy Expert, Investitionsbank Sachsen-Anhalt

2. ESIF Equity schemes in Hungary 2014-2020
Péter Dankó, Chief Legal Counsel, Hiventures Zrt

Q&A

14:15  Wrap up and conclusions
Bert Kuby, Head of Unit, ECON Secretariat, CoR