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## Programme of Mayors Day - 6th Dec

### Universities, Cities & Regions: A Civic Path for the Future?

#### PART 1: Inauguration of the CIVIS Representative Office at USquare

**Venue:** Usquare Campus, Avenue de la Couronne 227, 1050 Ixelles

**Time:** 12:00 - 14:00

Welcome address	<b>Prof Eugenio Gaudio</b> , Rector of Università di Roma and current President of the CIVIS Alliance	Duration: 10'
Speech	<b>Mr. Pascal Smet</b> , Secretary of State of the Brussels-Capital Region for European and International Relations	Duration: 10'
Keynote speech	Speech by <b>Ms. Themis Christophidou</b> , Director-General, European Commission, DG Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (DG EAC)	Duration: 20-30'
Inauguration of the Brussels Representative Office	Inauguration by - <b>Prof. Eugenio Gaudio</b> , Rector of Università di Roma - <b>Prof. Yvon Englert</b> , Rector of Université libre de Bruxelles - <b>Ms Themis Christophidou</b> , Director-General EAC	Duration: 5'
Walking lunch		Duration: 50'



## PART 2: Programme sessions on the cooperation of Higher Education Institutions with regional partners

**Time:** 14:30 - 17:30

**Venue:** European Committee of the Regions, Rue Belliard 99/101, 1040 Bruxelles

Welcome address	<b>Mr. Alain Hutchinson</b> , Member of the European Committee of the Regions and Brussels Commissioner for Europe and International Organisations	Duration 5'
Keynote speech	<b>Prof. John Goddard</b> , Emeritus Professor, Newcastle University "The civic university and the city"	Duration 25'
<b>ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION</b>		
<p><b>The objective of this round table is to provide answers to the following questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How can universities improve their contribution to the economic dynamism of their regions?</li> <li>- How can universities, local authorities and citizen groups better collaborate on social and cultural issues?</li> <li>- How can CIVIS universities become links between their regions?</li> </ul>		
<b>Topic 1</b>	<i>CIVIS, a major actor to the dynamic and attractiveness of its cities and regions</i>	Duration: 40'
	<b>Coffee break</b>	Duration: 20''
<b>Topic 2</b>	<i>Civic universities: committed to the social, cultural and economic challenges of cities and regions</i>	Duration: 40'
<b>Topic 3</b>	<i>CIVIS, a trans-regional network opportunity: 8 universities 8 regions 8 cities</i>	Duration: 40'

