Modernisation of small and medium-sized European cities with smart and sustainable measures – the present challenges and future prospects

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AGENDA

Welcome by moderator (10 minutes)

Mr. Ercole Cauti, Director, Metron srl, Italy

Key note speeches (10 minutes)

Ms. Agnes Lindemans
Head of Unit Romania, Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission

His Excellency Mr. Stefan Alexandru Tinca
Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador, Embassy of Romania to the Kingdom of Belgium

His Excellency Mr. Cristian Bădescu
Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of Romania to the European Union

Panel debate (90 minutes)

Mr. Frédéric Boyer
Member of Energy Cities, Head of Covenant of Mayors Office

The energy transition driving economic development - the Covenant of Mayors' role

Mr. Ionut Trincă
Head of Planning Department, Management Authority for the Regional Operational Programme, Ministry for Regional Development and Public Administration in Romania

The urban dimension of Romanian Regional Operational Programme 2007-2013 - Key findings and lessons learned
Mrs. Iris Flacco
Coordinator of Service, Energy Policy, Air Quality, SINA, Department for Public Works, Territorial Planning and Environmental Policy, Abruzzo Region, Italy

**Examples of local public authorities playing the leading role in introducing the sustainable solutions in urban development and regeneration, case study EFFECT SEE Project**

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Mr. Dan Florentin Dura
Head of Department for European Integration and Development Strategies, Suceava City Hall, North-East Region of Romania

**Projects of Regional Urban Growth Pole Suceava, main experience gathered during 2007-2013 – plans and challenges for 2020**

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Mr. Esteban Pelayo Villarejo
CEO, EURADA - The European Association of Development Agencies

**Small is beautiful - The role of cities in the design and implementation of RIS3 (Regional Innovation Strategies)**

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Mr. Pietro Elisei
Doctor in Urbanism, Town and Regional Planner, Director of URBASOFIA Bucharest, Vice-president of ISOCARP (the Hague)

**Small and medium-sized cities as drivers for making territorial cohesion and realizing models for achieving an integrated territorial approach.**

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**Final word by the moderator and concluding remarks** (10 minutes)

17:00 **Networking event** – The debate will be followed by a networking session, intended to be a platform for spreading excellence, developing new project ideas and identifying partners for future joint actions.