



New generation of cross-border cooperation : support at national level to overcome obstacles

Open Days

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Introduction

09:00

Moderator

Jean PEYRONY, Director General of the
Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière
(MOT),
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Roundtable

09:05

Integrated territorial tools to support cross-border cooperation at the Hungarian borders

by Gyula OCSKAY, Secretary General of
the Central-European Service for Cross-
Border Initiatives (CESCI),
www.cesci-net.eu

From national strategies to cross-border cooperation: the Portuguese model

by Nuno ALMEIDA, Head of the Strategic
Cooperation Unit of Norte Portugal
(CCDR-N),
www.ccdr-n.pt/

The coordination between neighbouring states to overcome legal obstacles at the Dutch borders

by Tom LEEUWESTEIN, head of unit at
the Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom
Relations of the Netherlands,
www.government.nl/ministries/bzk

The German experience on federal support for cross-border cooperation

by Volker SCHMIDT-SEIWERT,
Federal Office for Building and Regional
Planning (BBR),
www.bbr.bund.de/BBR/EN

The role of national level in cross-border data monitoring at local level at the French borders

by Jean PEYRONY, Director General
of the Mission Opérationnelle
Transfrontalière (MOT)

Point of view of the Commission

09:45

European Cross-Border Cooperation beyond Interreg spending programmes

by Agnès MONFRET, Head of Unit
“European Cross-Border cooperation”,
DG REGIO, European Commission

Exchange with the audience

09:55

Q&A with the audience

10:40

Conclusion

by Jean PEYRONY, Director General
of the Mission Opérationnelle
Transfrontalière (MOT)

10:45

We invite you to participate in the common
networking event that will take place at 10:45 in
the atrium of the 5th floor to continue the
discussions

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EUROPEAN PLATFORM OF SUPPORT STRUCTURES
FOR CROSS-BORDER COOPERATION AT NATIONAL LEVEL

CONTEXT

The members of the Budapest Platform have a long experience within the field of cross-border cooperation. They consider the following points as crucial:

- Multi-level approach is needed in the case of cross-border cooperation
- Integrated strategic approach should replace purely sectoral approach in border areas
- The integrated strategies should be based on proper data which are not available at the moment
- The borderlands face particular problems caused mainly by the differences of legal systems
- The national level should be involved in cross-border cooperation.

The debate will focus on the articulation between the 2014-2020 programming process, the public policies and the governance in cross-border territories.

ORGANISER

The Budapest Platform (www.budapestplatform.eu), created in December 2010, is a network of support structures for cross-border cooperation at national level representing 4 member states (France, Hungary, the Netherlands, and Portugal). The aim is to support the multi-level approach of cross-border cooperation, from the local to the national level. It is a "top-down" approach in favor of cross-border cooperation.

The founding members are:

- MOT (Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière)
- CESC (Central-European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives)
- CCDR-N (Norte Regional Coordination and Development Commission)
- The Dutch Ministry of the Interior

The Budapest Platform is open to new members.

