Draft programme with invited representatives

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Moderator: Bénédicte Paviot

TUESDAY, 24 MARCH 2020

08.00 – 09.00 Registration and welcoming coffee

09.00 – 09.30 Opening session
  • Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission
  • Elisa Ferreira, Commissioner for Cohesion and Reforms
  • Soibahadine Ibrahim Ramadani, President of the Departmental Council of Mayotte, Chair of the Conference of Presidents of the Outermost Regions

09.30 – 10.00
  • Annick Girardin, Minister of Overseas, France
  • Ana Paula Zacarias, Secretary of State of European Affairs, Portugal
  • Marco Aguiriano, Secretary of State for the European Union, Spain

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break and official photo

10.30 – 12.00
  • Daniel Gibbes, President of the Collectivity of Saint-Martin (past Presidency)
  • Vasco Alves Cordeiro, President of the Regional Government of the Autonomous Region of Azores (future Presidency)
  • Ángel Victor Torres, President of the Government of the Canary Islands
  • Ary Chalus, President of the Regional Council of Guadeloupe
  • Rodolphe Alexandre, President of the Territorial Collectivity of French Guiana
  • Miguel Albuquerque, President of the Regional Government of the Autonomous Region of Madeira
  • Alfred Marie-Jeanne, President of the Territorial Collectivity of Martinique
  • Didier Robert, President of the Regional Council of Reunion

12.00 – 12.45
  • Younous Omarjee, MEP – Chairman of the European Parliament Committee on Regional Development
  • Marko Pavić, Minister for Regional Development and EU Funds, Croatian Presidency 2020
  • Karl-Heinz Lambertz, President of the Committee of the Regions
  • Luca Jahier, President of European Economic and Social Committee

12.45 – 13.00 Closing of the morning session
  • Marc Lemaître, Director General, European Commission, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy

13.00 – 13.30 Press conference or Press corner

13.00 – 14.45 Lunch

Venue: Brussels, Charlemagne building, 170 rue de la Loi, 1049 Brussels — Rooms GASP, MANS and JENK FR-PT-ES-EN simultaneous interpretation
Panel debate n°1 - Developing climate strategies and protecting biodiversity in the Outermost regions

Speakers:
- **Younous Omarjee**, MEP – Chairman of the European Parliament Committee on Regional Development (invited)
- **José Antonio Valbuena**, Regional Minister for Ecological Transition, Fight against Climate Change and Territorial Planning, Government of the Canary Islands
- **Alexandre Magnan**, Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for sustainable development and international relations, Sciences Po, Paris

Developing climate strategies in the Outermost regions
- Questions from moderator
- Speakers’ interventions / Questions and answers with the audience

Coffee break

Protecting biodiversity in the Outermost regions
- Questions from moderator
- Speakers’ interventions / Questions and answers with the audience

Networking session (bilateral meetings)

Cocktail

Dinner with live music
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**WEDNESDAY, 25 MARCH 2020**

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| 09.00 – 09.15 | Opening speech
  - Virginijus Sinkevičius, Commissioner for Environment and Oceans (invited) |
| 09.15 – 10.45 | Panel debate n°2 - Promoting circular economy in the Outermost regions
  - Susana Prada, Madeira Regional Secretary for Environment, Spatial Planning and Climate Change, University of Madeira Professor
  - Jan Jonker, Professor at the Radboud University in Nijmegen, Netherlands (invited)
  - Juan Fernando Lopez Aguilar, MEP (invited)
  - ... |
| 10.45 – 11.15 | Coffee break |
| 11.15 – 12.45 | Panel debate n°3 – Blue economy, a driver for growth in the Outermost regions
  - Keynote: Pascal Lamy, Chair of the Paris Peace Forum (PPF), Chair of the French Committee of the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC)
  - Claudia Monteiro de Aguiar, MEP, Vice-Chair of the European Parliament Committee on Fisheries (invited)
  - Carlos Andrade, Coordinator of the Calheta Mariculture Center, Government of the Autonomous Region of Madeira (invited)
  - Eleni Marianou, Secretary General of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions |
| 12.45 – 13.15 | Closing session
  - Soibahadine Ibrahim Ramadani, President of the Departmental Council of Mayotte, Chair of the Conference of Presidents
  - Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European Commission (envisaged) or
  - Elisa Ferreira, Commissioner for Cohesion and Reforms |

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