

2nd Meeting of the Network of the Heads of Managing Authorities

AGENDA

Arrival: Wednesday, 23 October 2024	
Local time 17:45 – 21:00	<p>Networking dinner & Faro old town tour</p> <p>Hosted by the Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional do Algarve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 17:45 - Old town tour (<i>meeting Point: Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional do Algarve, I.P., Praça da Liberdade, 2, 8000-164, Faro</i>) 19:00 - Networking dinner (<i>Museu Municipal de Faro, Largo Dom Afonso III 14, 8000-167 Faro</i>)
Day 1: Thursday, 24 October 2024	
Venue: Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional do Algarve, I.P. Praça da Liberdade, 2, 8000-164, Faro	
Local time 9:00 – 9:30	<i>Registration, connecting participants, technical verifications</i>
9:30 – 10:00	<p>Welcome and introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Themis Christophidou, Director General, DG for Regional and Urban Policy (DG REGIO) (online) Dr. José Apolinário, President of the Algarve 2030 Management Authority
10:00 – 11:00	<p>INSPIRE: Megatrends & Inspiring Leadership</p> <p>Focused on the evolving world of work and its impact on Cohesion Policy, the keynote address will explore megatrends shaping public governance. Attendees can expect insights into adapting policy frameworks and administrative capacity-building models to technological shifts, demographic changes, and environmental challenges.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote speech: Navigating through megatrends – Ms Maria Varinia Michalun, Head of Unit, Governance and Strategic Planning for Regional Development, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD Keynote speech: Leadership/ Leaders' Role in Navigating the Future – Mr Koenraad Goris, Managing Director, Leadership Advisory Services, PwC Belgium
11:00 – 11:20	<i>Break</i>
11:20 - 12:20	<p>INSPIRE & SHARE: Leaders on the front lines – Unlocking the Potential of Human Capital <i>moderated by Mr Dónal Mulligan, OECD</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keynote presentation on trends in public sector human capital management: Mr Dónal Mulligan - Policy Analyst, Public Employment and Management, Public Governance Directorate, OECD <p>PANEL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Case studies on staff management, talent retention, and capacity building: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Petra Metsala – Head of Regional and Structural Policy Managing Authority Group, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment of Finland

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ms Radana Leistner Kratochvílová – Head of JTF Managing authority, Director, Ministry of the Environment of the Czech Republic ○ Ms Iva Novoselac Miholić – Head of Service for Evaluation, Strategic Monitoring and Regulatory framework at the level of Partnership Agreement, Ministry of Regional Development and EU funds, Croatia
12:20 – 13:00	Group work & feedback
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:00 – 15.30	<p>CREATE: The Future of the Cohesion Policy <i>moderated by Ms Sofia Alves, DG REGIO</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Cohesion, Letta and Draghi Reports: a translation of these reports for the purposes of Cohesion Policy – Mr Pasquale D'Apice, Economic Analyst, DG REGIO B1 ● EU strategic priorities and the future of Cohesion Policy - Mr John Bachtler, Professor of European Policy Studies and a Director of the European Policies Research Centre, University of Strathclyde ● Experiences and lessons learned on performance-based implementation models (RRF): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr Paulius Baniūnas – Chief Advisor of the Investment Department, Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania ○ Mr Matus Drotar – First Secretary, Ministry of Investments, Regional Development and Informatization, Slovak Republic ○ Mr Zsolt Darvas – Senior fellow, Bruegel ● Overview of the discussions on the Future of Cohesion Policy – Ms Sofia Alves, Director, DG REGIO
15:30	<i>Break and departure for project visit</i>
15:45 – 18.00	<p>ENGAGE: Project visits & experience sharing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Algarve Tech Campus - Technological hub at the University of Algarve (Campus da Penha) & Clinical Simulation Center - University of Algarve (Campus de Gambelas)
18:30	<p>CREATE: Taking stock of Cohesion Policy achievements and drawing lessons for the future</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Commissioner for Cohesion and Reforms Ms Elisa Ferreira ● Networking dinner (<i>location – AP EVA SENSES HOTEL, Av. da República 1, 8000-078 Faro</i>)

Day 2: Friday, 25 October 2024	
Local time 9:00 – 9:30	<i>Registration, connecting participants, technical verifications</i>
9:30 – 9:45	Reflection of Day 1 – Discussion and Energising
9:45 - 11:00	<p>INSPIRE & SHARE: Leaders on the front lines – Reducing Complexity <i>moderated by Mr Konrad Danieluk, PwC</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Regulatory challenges and smart regulations to Boost Investments: Mr Ruben Maximiano - Senior Policy Analyst and Competition Expert, OECD <p>PANEL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Case studies on the specific approaches and effectiveness of key implementation processes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Mr Jens Mennecke – Head of Management Authority ERDF and ESF+, Ministry for Federal and European Affairs and Rural Development, Germany ○ Ms Petra Masáčová - Head of Interact Managing Authority, Bratislava Region, Slovak Republic ○ Mr Enda Hogan – Assistant Director, Southern Regional Assembly, Ireland ○ Mr Jorge Brandão - Member of the Board of the regional programme of Centro, Portugal

11:00 – 11:20	<i>Break</i>
11:20 – 12:20	Group work & feedback
12:20 – 13:00	Next steps of the Network – Discussions & Decisions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic & work programme – next meeting in Brussels • Advisory board • EC tools for capacity building of Managing Authorities
13:00 – 14:30	<i>Lunch break</i>
14:30 – 15:30	Business-to-Business meetings between Managing Authorities
15:30	AOB and wrap up of Day 2
Optional	Business-to-Business meetings between Managing Authorities (continuation)