



**Open Days Workshop
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**The ESPON 2013 Programme –
First Results**



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9h35 – 9h50 Demand for European territorial evidence from the perspective of the European Commission

Natalija Kazlauskiene, DG Regio

9h50 – 10h10 Development of the ESPON 2013 Programme

Peter Mehlbye, ESPON Coordination Unit

10h10 – 11h00 New policy options for better economic performance

First results from and experiences with the ESPON Targeted Analysis "Territorial Diversity (TeDi)"

Erik Gløersen, Nordregio

Odd Godal, Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development Norway

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11h00 – 11h30 Changing drivers for rural types of territories

Preliminary results of the ESPON Applied Research Project “European Development Opportunities in Rural Areas (EDORA)”

Andrew Copus, UHI Millennium Institute

11h30 – 11h45 Concluding remarks and closure of workshop by chair

Key questions for discussion

- Where do you see challenges and/or development opportunities for European regions with territorial specificities (e.g. insular, mountainous, sparsely populated, or peripheral)?
- What do you consider could be new challenges and/or development opportunities for these regions in the wake of global economic recession?
- Are specific types of territories given particular attention in policy development in your specific region/country?

Key questions for discussion

- How do you judge the diversity of rural regions and the challenges and/or development opportunities for these individual types of regions?
- Where do you see particular challenges for rural regions in the wake of global economic recession and climate change?
- Is the diversity of rural regions being considered in policy development in your specific region/country?

More information

Thank you for your attention!

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