

// ESPON Applied Research Interregional Relations in Europe

"Places Resilient to Crises"

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All results accessible on the ESPON Policy and Knowledge Platform	https://gis-portal.espon.eu/arcgis/apps/sites/#/irie-hub

Agenda of the Conference

24th November

9:00 – 9:45 OPENING

- ✓ **Welcome** - Izaskun Abril, General Directorate of Spatial Planning, Government of Navarra
- ✓ **Introduction to the new ESPON 2030 Cooperation Programme** - Nicolas Rossignol, Assistant Director for Research and Policy, ESPON EGTC

9:45 – 10:00 **What do we know that we didn't (before IRIE Project)** - Xabier Velasco, Project coordinator, NASUVINSA

10:00 – 10:45 **The role of global value changes in the Basque economy** - Iñaki Arto. Professor and senior researcher at BC3 Basque Centre for Climate Change

10:45 – 11:10. Break

11:10 – 12:10 INTERREGIONAL FLOWS OF GOODS, SERVICE & PASSENGERS

- ✓ **Trade of goods and services** - Carlos Llano, CEPREDE
- ✓ **Freight and Passengers**, Spiekermann and Wegener

12:10 – 12:40 INTERREGIONAL FLOWS OF CAPITAL

- ✓ **FDI and Remittances** - Dimitris Kallioras and Mariamakou, UTH

12:40 – 13:00 INTERREGIONAL FLOWS OF KNOWLEDGE

- ✓ **Patents** - Carlos Llano, CEPREDE

13:05 – 14:00. BREAK

14:00 – 16:00 INTERREGIONAL FLOWS OF PEOPLE:

- ✓ **Migration, Tourism** - Tomasz Komornicki & Marcin Mazur, IGSOPAS
- ✓ **Tracking Spanish tourism flows in real time through BBVA card spending** - Giancarlo Carta, Senior economist at BBVA Research.

16:00 – 17:00 ROUND TABLE: SPACE OF FLOWS IN A CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Iñaki Arto, Professor and senior researcher at BC3 Basque Centre for Climate Change; Giancarlo Carta, BBVA Research; Izaskun Goñi, General Director for Business, International Trade and Labour Relations of the Government of Navarra; Pablo Muñoz, General Director for the Environment of the Government of Navarra

25th November

9:00 – 9:10 OPENING by ESPON EGTC, NASUVINSA and CEPREDE

9:10 – 9:45 **A MULTILAYER VISION OF REGIONAL INTEGRATION** by Tomasz Komornicki, IGSOPAS

9:45 – 10:45 **SCENARIOS**

- ✓ COVID-19, EU Green Deal, new globalisation, war in Ukraine - Carlos Llano. CEPREDE

10:45 – 11:15 Break

11:15 – 12:00 **POLICY OPTIONS** by Xabier Velasco, NASUVINSA

12:00 – 13:00 **The credit cycle turns: key risks?** Jorge Rodríguez Vález, Senior Vice President at Moody's Investors Service (London).

13:00 – 13:45 **ROUND TABLE: REGIONS IN ENERGY TRANSITION**

Jorge Rodríguez Vález, Senior Vice President at Moody's Investors Service; Dr. Piotr Zuber, Counselor at Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy in Poland; Andrea Conte, JRC Sevilla; Uxue Itoiz, Director General for Industry, Energy and Strategic Projects S3 at the Government of Navarra; Eugenia Maruniak, Director of the Institute of Geography, NAS of Ukraine

13:45 – 14:00 **WRAP-UP AND CONCLUSIONS** by ESPON EGTC, NASUVINSA and CEPREDE

14:00 – 14:15 CLOSURE.

Government of Navarra – José María Aierdi Fernández de Barrena, Second Vice-President and Regional Minister for Regional Planning, Housing, Landscape and Strategic Projects.

Key questions addressed in ESPON IRiE

<https://gis-portal.espon.eu/arcgis/apps/sites/#/irie-hub>

Understanding the interregional flows of people, capital, goods, services and knowledge

What benefits or harms them?

Flow data

What are the characteristics and intensity of interregional relations in Europe in terms of trade of goods, services, capital, people and knowledge flows?

How did they evolve over the years?

Pan-European analysis

How can regional interdependencies at European level be depicted?

How structural/important are these interdependencies in order to better understand regional development?

How can regions be clustered according to this relatedness?

Drivers and barriers

What are the conditions and drivers that appear to increase interregional flows in diverse regional contexts?

What are the barriers that appear to inhibit interregional relations?

Scenarios

What should be the impacts of potential political decisions or shocks on interregional relations and what is the level of exposure or resilience of European regions accordingly?

Policy options

What interventions may reduce/increase barriers?

For which policy purposes and potential impacts?

Which EU, national or regional policies have already demonstrated efficiency in addressing interregional flows?