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ESPON 2013 Programme

Workshop

Territorial Vision for Europe towards 2050

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8h30 – 16h00

Venue

Committee of the Regions – room JDE 51
Bâtiment Jacques Delors
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Background and Objectives

Policymakers in the field of territorial development and cohesion have asked for the development of a future oriented, long-term and integrated vision on the development of the European territory.

In a period of economic and political uncertainty, existing long-term perceptions guiding policy development are challenged. Previous forecasts and policy ideas may have become obsolete. The speed of change is often faster than our capacity to adapt our previous expectations. And new forecasts risk to be easily discredited.

These dynamics have a territorial dimension that influences competitiveness and cohesion in Europe, the balances and structures within the European territory, and they have impact on long-term growth and job opportunities as well as challenges for regions and cities.

In this context, a long-term reference framework for policy thinking, which is informed by evidence and related to the development of the European territory, is considered to be helpful for policy makers in taking decisions today that will shape or influence conditions for the next generations.

ESPON has been asked by the 31 countries behind the programme to elaborate a Territorial Vision for Europe in 2050. The vision is meant to guide policy debate on territorial development and provide a coherent European framework for policy initiatives at different decision-making levels. The ESPON project ET2050 has the challenging task to support this territorial vision-building process and use a participatory process involving relevant stakeholders at European, national and regional level.

The ET2050 project has so far been exploring different possible future scenarios for Europe. All scenarios find their basis in the Europe 2020 Strategy and are to support a strategic policy debate up to 2030 and further towards a Vision for the European Territory in 2050.

A very important objective of the workshop is to raise awareness among all relevant stakeholders on the work that is done and to involve them in dialogue and cooperation on the development of a Territorial Vision for Europe towards 2050.

It is crucial that policy makers and stakeholders related to territorial development participate and influence the elaboration of a Territorial Vision 2050 for Europe. At the workshop opinions on a Territorial Vision in general and on a first draft text towards the vision will be used to continue the process of building a Territorial Vision 2050 that is supported by a large variety of stakeholders.

Aim and Structure

The workshop starts presenting scenarios and striking results for Europe in 2030 and 2050. Several prospective documents at European and global level as well as already received inputs from stakeholders will add to the evidence base for a first version of a Territorial Vision for Europe 2050. The first draft text towards the vision will be presented for discussion. Parallel workshop sessions involving different groups of stakeholders are supposed to nourish the further drafting and participatory process with recommendations and ideas related to a Territorial Vision 2050.

Target Groups

The three groups of stakeholders invited to express their views, expectations and dreams are:

- 1) Policy makers, including representatives of European Institutions;
- 2) Practitioners, including representatives from Territorial Cooperation Programmes;
- 3) Organisations active at EU level in the field of territorial development and cohesion.

08.30-09.00 *Registration*

Introduction

09.00-09.15 Welcome and setting the scene: purpose of developing a long term Territorial Vision for Europe

- Chair of the day: Peter Mehlbye, ESPON Coordination Unit

Territorial Scenarios

09.15-10.45 Territorial scenarios and striking modelling results: policy matters

- Andreu Ulied, Mcrit S.L. – ET2050 project
- Roberto Camagni, Politecnico di Milano – ET2050 project
- Klaus Spiekermann, Spiekermann & Wegener – ET2050 project
- Hedwig van Delden, RIKS – ET2050 project

Questions and discussion

10.45-11.00 *Tea/Coffee break*

Territorial Vision

11.00-11.45 Presentation of the first draft towards a Territorial Vision for Europe 2050:

- Philippe Doucet, Gephyres / IGEAT - Université Libre de Bruxelles – ET2050 project
- Jean-François Drevet, Gephyres / IGEAT- Université Libre de Bruxelles – ET2050 project

Questions and discussion

11.45-12.00 Introduction to Parallel Working Sessions involving 3 groups of European stakeholders:

- 1) Policy makers, including European Institutions such as EP, EC, CoR and EESC,
- 2) Practitioners, including representatives from Territorial Cooperation programmes, and
- 3) Organisations at EU level in the area of territorial development and cohesion

- Valerie Biot, IGEAT - Université Libre de Bruxelles – ET2050 project

Feedback on the first draft towards a Territorial Vision

12.00-13.00 Discussions in parallel working sessions on the first draft text towards a Territorial Vision for Europe 2050:

Policy makers	Practitioners	Organisations
Room: JDE 51	Room: JDE 53	Room: JDE 3253
Facilitator: Cliff Hague Rapporteur: Valérie Biot	Facilitator: Virna Bussadori Rapporteur: Vincent Calay	Facilitator: Moritz Lennert Rapporteur: Marjan van Herwijnen
Questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do you consider is positive? • What should change? • ... 	Questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do you consider is positive? • What should change? • ... 	Questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do you consider is positive? • What should change? • ...

13.00-14.00 *Lunch*

Advice for further elaborating the Territorial Vision

14.00-15.00 Continued discussion in parallel working sessions of ideas, wishes and recommendations for an improved text on the Territorial Vision for Europe 2050:

<p>Policy makers Room: JDE 51 Facilitator: Cliff Hague Rapporteur: Valérie Biot</p>	<p>Practitioners Room: JDE 53 Facilitator: Virna Bussadori Rapporteur: Vincent Calay</p>	<p>Organisations Room: JDE 3253 Facilitator: Moritz Lennert Rapporteur: Marjan van Herwijnen</p>
<p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What should be added? • What should be kept? • What steps could be supportive? • ... 	<p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What should be added? • What should be kept? • What steps could be supportive? • ... 	<p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What should be added? • What should be kept? • What steps could be supportive? • ...

Closing Plenary

15.00-16.00 Follow-up and conclusions:

- Preliminary synthesis from parallel working sessions
- Questions and discussion
- Next steps in the design process of the Territorial Vision
- Further involvement of stakeholders in the visionary process

16.00 *Closure of the Workshop*

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More information

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