JOINT CONFERENCE
"IMPLEMENTING MULTILEVEL GOVERNANCE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION"

Programme 19 January 2010

- [Room JDE 51, Jacques Delors Building, 101 Rue Belliard /Belliard straat, 1040 Brussels] -

14:15 – 14:30: Registration

14:30 – 15:15: ***Opening session***

Presentation of the outcome of the CoR's consultation on the White paper on multilevel governance: Mr. Luc Van den Brande, President of the Committee of the Regions of the European Union

Reaction / statement:

- Mr. Vidal-Folch, acting EU Presidency, Permanent Representation of Spain to the European Union
- Mr. Axel Buyse, General representative of the Flemish government, Permanent Representation of Belgium to the European Union

15:15 -16:30: ***First Panel: "Implementing MLG in the EU 2020 Competitiveness agenda"***

Chair and introductory statements: Mr. Hans Martens, Chief Executive EPC

Panel debate:

- Speaker: Mr. Vasco Cal, BEPA, European Commission
- Discussant 1: Mr. Gerhard Stahl, Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions
- Discussant 2: Mr. Nikolaus van der Pas, former Director-General at DG Employment

16:30 -17:20: ***Second Panel: "Introducing MLG in the EU's Better Regulation Agenda"***

Chair and introductory statements: Mr. Jacques Pelkmans, Senior Fellow CEPS

Panel debate:

- Speaker: Mr. Werner Stengg, DG MARKT, Head of Unit - Better regulation cycle: impact assessment and evaluation, European commission
- Discussant 1: Mr. Takis Tridimas, College of Europe
- Discussant 2: Mr. Pedro Garcia, Secretary-General of REGLEG

17:20-17:30: ***Closing session***

- Mrs. Béatrice Taulègne, Head of Unit of the CoR's Forward Studies Unit.