

16th European Week of Regions and Cities

Kick-off meeting

25 January 2018, 11:00-12:00

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'Regions and Cities for a strong EU Cohesion Policy beyond 2020'

- 30th year of Cohesion Policy
- MFF and underlying legislative instruments
- Future of Europe, from a regional and local perspective
- [Public Consultation](#) on EU funds in the area of Cohesion (until 8 March)

- Thematic clusters: survey's results
 - **Territorial development (regional, urban, rural)**
 - **Future of Cohesion Policy, EU budget**
 - **Education, culture and youth**
 - Energy, Climate, Environment
 - Social inclusion, citizenship, migration
 - Economic development, employment
 - Governance and administrative capacity
 - Research and Innovation
 - Sustainable transport and mobility
 - International cooperation, EU as global actor
 - ICT and digital
 - Agriculture and food production
 - Maritime affairs
 - Security and civil protection

2017 in a nutshell:



6 000 participants from 74 countries



187 partner regions&cities from 28 countries



137 workshops&events



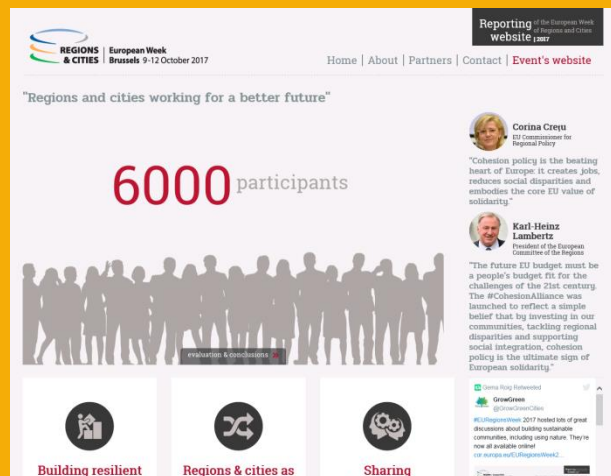
600 speakers



28 local events



Opening @ EP, RegioStars Awards, Cohesion Alliance



First full-scale
[eReporting website](#)



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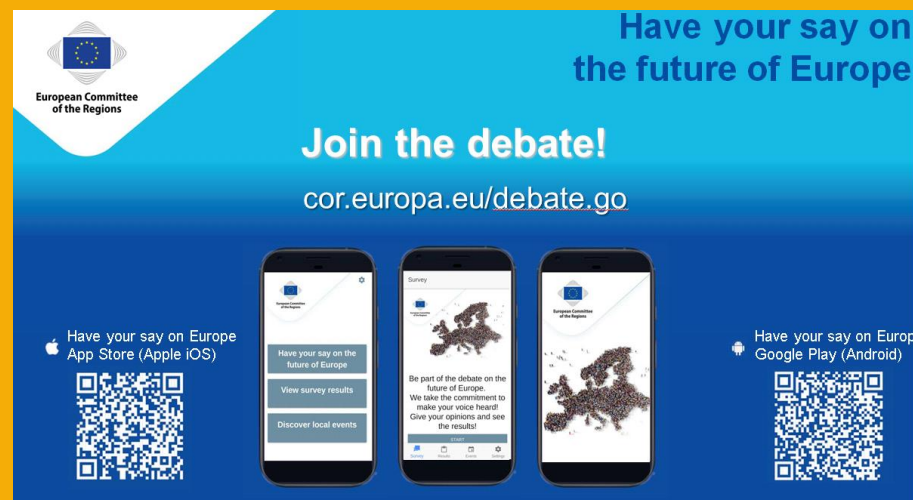
2018: The Regions and Cities' Agora: a new venue



+ Regional Partnerships workshops' venues

Workshops, Participatory sessions, Ted like talks, Q+A sessions, Exhibitions, Networking, ...

- Local events in 2018:
 - 10 local events in May-June (application deadline: 5th March)
 - Regional Partnerships' local events in Sept-Dec.
- Building the online community



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Have your say on the future of Europe

Join the debate!
cor.europa.eu/debate.go

Have your say on Europe App Store (Apple iOS)

Have your say on Europe Google Play (Android)

The graphic features three smartphone screens displaying the app interface. The first screen shows a 'Have your say on the future of Europe' survey with buttons for 'View survey results' and 'Discover local events'. The second screen shows a map of Europe with the text 'Be part of the debate on the future of Europe. We take the commitment to make your voice heard! Give your opinions and see the results!'. The third screen shows a similar map with the text 'European Committee of the Regions'.



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Event highlights and structure 2018

8 October

**Opening Session
Press Conference
Exhibition**

9-11 October

**Working sessions,
Exhibition, Tasting
& networking
activities**

*Various venues and
Square Conference Centre*

8-10 October

Media Programme

9 October

**RegioStars
Award Ceremony &
Official Reception**

*Square Conference
Centre*

8-11 October

**University and
Masterclass**

*Square Conference
Centre*

**Community
building
&
Networking**

*All over Europe
Before-during-after*

Local events

May-December

*All over Europe
Before-during-after*



Event highlights and structure 2018

- Venues: Regional partnerships' venues + Square conference centre
- New type of sessions and activities:
 - Participatory sessions
 - Ted like talks
 - Q&A sessions
 - Exhibitions, including Tasting Regions and Cities



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Focus: sessions at Regions and Cities' Agora (Square)

What	Who	When	Intervention time	Presentation of information	Interaction with participants	Deadline for potential organisers
TED like talks	Event partners (excl. Regional Partnerships)	09-11/ 10 09:00 - 10:45 11:15 - 13:00 14:30 - 17:00	30 minutes	100%	0%	30-Mar
Q+A sessions		09-11/ 10 09:00 - 10:45 11:15 - 13:00 14:30 - 17:00	60 minutes	~ 10%	~ 90%	
Workshops		09-11/ 10 09:00 - 10:45 11:15 - 13:00 14:30 - 17:00	90 minutes	~ 60%	~ 40%	

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Exhibition	All event partners	08-11/ 10 09:00 - 18:00	permanent	30%	70%	
Tasting Regions and Cities	Local and regional authorities	10/ 10 16:00 - 19:30	3 hours 30 minutes	50%	50%	
Networking area (ON DEMAND)	All event partners	09-11/ 10 09:00 - 17:00	60 minutes	0%	100%	

Selection process: designing the event with you!

1. Eligibility check and evaluation by the organisers
2. Sessions' rating by the European Week of Regions and Cities community
3. Final selection by the organisers

Call for partners 2018

Regional partners	Deadline 30 March 2018
Partners at Regions and Cities' Agora @ Square	Deadline 30 March 2018
Partners for the 10 local events May-June	Deadline 5th March



Guide and application forms for event partners available on event website:

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Next steps 2018



Applications
by
30 March

Sessions' rating
10 – 27 April

Selection
results by
4 May and
partners' meeting on
18 May

All final details
by
8 June

Online
registration
opens **9 July**

Next steps 2018 10 local events in May-June



Applications
by
5 March

Selection
results by
15 March

All final details
by
6 April

Local events in
May-June

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DG Regio main events 2018

24-25/5	Conference "Good governance and cohesion policy"
5/5	Open Day
All year	"EU delivers in the regions" information campaign
Spring-summer	"The Road Trip Project"
May-Sept	"EU in my region" campaign

CoR main events 2018

From 15/01	CoR MOOC 2018
8/3	EU Mayors forum on radicalisation and protection of public spaces
5/5	Open Day to EU institutions
8-9/11 (tbc)	EuroPCom 2018 (@CoR, EP)
All year	"Reflecting on Europe" – local events

THANK YOU !