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Report from breakout sessions

14.30 – 15.15
Update on the activities of Secretariat of the Platform
15.15 – 15.35
Secretariat of the Platform for Coal Regions in Transition

• Secretariat in place from the beginning of 2019
• Organisation of the Working Group meetings and support to the Political Dialogue organisation
• Development of transition-related materials and tools
• Technical Assistance support to Regions in transition
• Communication activities
• Contact point for members of the Platform
Platform’s support materials

The Platform secretariat is developing guideline documents, reports and toolkits on the following key themes:

✓ Collection of Good practice case studies
✓ Guidelines on Transition Strategies and KPIs
✓ Governance of Transition toolkit
✓ Sustainable employment and welfare support toolkit
✓ Site rehabilitation and repurposing toolkit
✓ Guidance on EU funds and programmes (2020)
✓ Technology solutions for transition (2020)
### Good practice cases

Providing key lessons and examples in key dimensions (e.g. strategy, finance) as well as holistically.

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START: Secretariat Technical Assistance to Regions in Transition

Support to address two central aspects of transition

• **Economic Diversification**: reorientation towards sectors and activities with long-term sustainable growth potential

• **Decarbonisation**: promoting technological transition towards low carbon emission energy production and consumption
START: Secretariat Technical Assistance to Regions in Transition

Capacity building, knowledge sharing and advice on:

• **Strategy development** for regional economic diversification and transition

• **Governance and planning** for the formulation and implementation of transitions strategies

• **Project identification** and prioritisation of transition-related projects

• **Project development** support for design of projects and action plans for implementation
START:
Helping regions and communities take practical steps in their transition process

Resources and approach
• 7 regions to be supported
• Circa 50 to 120 days of support per region
• Complementary to other existing EC (and other) support efforts
• Co-creation approach, engaging closely with recipients of support

Process
• Launch of call for requests: 19 June 2019
• Close of call: 20 September 2019
• Notification: 7 October 2019
• Review of needs: 2019-Q4 to 2020-Q1
• Workplan formulation: 2020-Q1
• Delivery of phased support: 2020-Q2 to 2021-Q4
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Updates on communication activities

What we have been working on

**Online**
- Revamp of the EC website
- Online resources
- Newsletter
- Social media

**Video interviews**
- Platform’s YouTube playlist

What is coming up

**Webinars**
- Guidelines: Transition strategies and KPIs – Feb 2020 (tentative)
- Toolkit on local governance of transition – Mar 2020 (tentative)
- Toolkit on sustainable employment and welfare support – May 2020 (tentative)

**Promotional video** – Nov 2020

**Press work**
See you in Görlitz!

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25-26 November 2019

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Conclusions and recommendations

15.35 – 16.00
Thank you for your attendance!

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