

# **Group of high-level specialists** on the future of Cohesion Policy

Agenda - 10.10.2023

Seventh meeting

Increasing policy effectiveness through the reassessment of the conditionality mechanisms



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#### **Topic**

Increasing the policy effectiveness through renewed conditionality mechanisms, including enabling conditions, macro-economic conditionalities and the rule of law conditionality

#### **Time**

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Public and web-streamed session: 09h30 - 11h15

Internal session: 11h30 - 16h15

#### **Place**

European Commission building
Conference Centre Albert Borschette - Room 4.B
Rue Froissart 36, 1040 Etterbeek

#### Introduction to the topic

The seventh meeting focuses on increasing the policy effectiveness through the reassessment of the conditionality mechanisms, including enabling conditions, macroeconomic conditionalities and the rule of law conditionality. It is important to reflect on lessons learned from Cohesion Policy conditionalities, the evolution of the European Semester including its regional angle, and the experience with the rule of law conditionality.

| Public and web-streamed session (09:30-11:15) |  |  |  |  |
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| 09:00   | Arrival & registration                       |  |  |  |
| 09:30   | Welcome Speech                               | Elisa Ferreira – Commissioner for<br>Cohesion and Reforms  |  |  |
| 09:40   | Introduction of the topic                    | Chair: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose –<br>Professor, London School of<br>Economics                                     |  |  |
| 09:45   | Presentation                                 | Ramona Coman – Professor and<br>President, Institute for European<br>Studies, Université Libre de<br>Bruxelles |  |  |
| 10:00   | Discussion                                   |  |  |  |
| 10:35   | Presentation                                 | Anelia Stefanova – Strategic<br>Area Leader – Energy<br>Transformation, CEE Bankwatch<br>Network               |  |  |
| 10:45   | Discussion                                   |  |  |  |
| 11:00   | Contribution                                 | Mario Nava – Director General<br>DG REFORM   |  |  |
| 11:00   | Concluding remarks                           | Chair: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose   |  |  |
|   | End of public session & web streaming        | g  |  |  |
| 11:15   | Coffee Break                                 |  |  |  |
| Internal session (14:00 – 16:15)              |  |  |  |  |
| 11:30   | Exchanges on summary and minutes 6th meeting | Chair: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose   |  |  |
| 11:45   | Discussion among group members – Part 1      |  |  |  |
| 13:00   | Lunch break                                  |  |  |  |
| 14:00   | Discussion among group members – Part 2      |  |  |  |
| 16:00   | Concluding remarks                           | Chair: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose   |  |  |

### List of Reflection Group Meetings

| First meeting   | 31 January 2023   | Developing the European Growth Model  |
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| Second meeting  | 09 March 2023     | Enhancing resilience of regions against emerging challenges   |
| Third meeting   | 27 April 2023     | Tailored support / flexibility to support different development needs of regions  |
| Fourth meeting  | 23 May 2023       | Role of place-based policies and development strategies   |
| Fifth meeting   | 04 July 2023      | Reinforcing territorial cooperation and addressing challenges on European integration   |
| Sixth meeting   | 14 September 2023 | Anchoring financial support from the policy in reforms, in the context of European Semester and in synergy with other EU policies |
| Seventh meeting | 10 October 2023   | Increasing policy effectiveness through the reassessment of the conditionality mechanisms   |
| Eighth meeting  | 14 November 2023  | Revisiting the delivery mode/ mechanics taking into account priorities  |
| Ninth meeting   | 14 December 2023  | Enhancing the policy capacity to respond to sudden shocks and crises  |