



## CONFERENCE

### “EU COHESION POLICY 2014 – 2020: TOWARDS A BALANCED DEVELOPMENT AND TERRITORIAL COHESION”

3 December 2011, KAVALA (GR)

Meeting venue: HOTEL LUCY “LYDIA” meeting room, Kavala

**SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER 2011**

**9:30 Registrations: Hotel Lucy – “Lydia” Meeting Room**

**10.00 Start of proceedings**

- Welcome by **Mr Konstantinos SIMITSIS**, Mayor of Kavala City
- Welcome by **Mr Archelaos GRANAS**, Deputy Regional Governor (District of Kavala)
- Welcome by **Mr Pavlos DAMIANIDIS**, President of the BBSRC

**10.15 Session I: The Development of the New Cohesion Policy – Outline of the Regulations**

- Presentation of the objectives of the session, by **Mrs Eleni MARIANO**, Secretary General of the CPMR
- Speech by **Mrs Mercedes BRESSO**, President of the Committee of the Regions (*tbc*)
- Speech by **Mr Elias Bardas**, Permanent Representation of Greece in the European Union, Responsible for the EU Structural Funds
- Debate

**11:15: Coffee Break**

**11.30 Session II: Territorial Cohesion and development at state level: Synergies to be built**

Speeches by:

- **Mr Socratis XINIDIS**, Deputy Minister of Development, Competitiveness and Shipping
- **Mr Michalis TIMOSIDIS**, Vice-Minister for Health and Social Solidarity
- **Mr Georgios PETALOTIS**, Vice-Minister of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights

**12.30 Session III: Cohesion Policy and Sustainable Regional Development at infra-state level**

Speeches by:

- **Mr Jean-Yves LE DRIAN**, President of the CPMR, President of the Region of Brittany
- **Mr Aristides GIANNAKIDIS**, Governor of the Region of East Macedonia and Thrace
- **Mr Konstantinos SIMITSIS**, President of the Regional Association of Municipalities (East Macedonia and Thrace), Mayor of Kavala City.
- General Debate

**Summing up of the day's proceedings- Conclusions by Mrs Eleni MARIANOOU, Secretary General of the CPMR**

**14.00** End of the day's proceedings

**14.00** Departure from the Lucy Hotel

**Inauguration of the New Offices of the CPMR Balkan and Black Sea Regional Commission in Kavala (Gr)**

**14:30: Official Lunch at Restaurant BATIS**