



47TH CPMR GENERAL ASSEMBLY

16-18 October 2019, Palermo (Sicily, Italy)

Meeting venue: Real Albergo delle Povere
Corso Calatadimi 217, 90129 Palermo, Sicily (Italy)

Wednesday 16 October 2019

Working languages: English, French, Greek, Italian and Spanish

8.45–9.15: Registration

9.15-16.00

CPMR INTER-COMMISSION SEMINAR ON CIRCULAR ECONOMY AND THE ROLE OF THE REGIONS

(See separate draft agenda)

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Plenary room (*General Assembly room*)

16.00-16.30: Coffee break

16.30-19.00

TECHNICAL SIDE MEETINGS (no interpreting)

16.30-18.00 Migration Task Force Meeting – **Plenary room** (*General Assembly room*)

Other side meetings depending on room availability

Time & rooms to be confirmed for:

- Cohesion Core Group
- Macro region Task Force
- Climate Task Force
- Maritime Group

19.30: Welcome Reception (*tbc*)

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EU project stands

EU project stands from the CPMR and its Member Regions will be open around the main rooms throughout the day for participants to interact with on Thursday and Friday

Geographical Commission Meetings

- 8.30-9.30** Balkan & Black Sea Commission (EN, GR) - *General Assembly room*
- 9.45-10.45** Islands Commission (FR, EN, IT, ES, GR) - *General Assembly room*
- 10.00-11.00** North Sea Commission (EN) - *Room B (no interpreting)*
- 11.00-12.00** Atlantic Arc Commission (FR, EN, ES) - *General Assembly room*
- 11.15-12.15** Baltic Sea Commission (EN) - *Room B (no interpreting)*
- 12.15-13.15** Intermediterranean Commission (FR, EN, ES, IT, GR) - *General Assembly room*

9.00-12.00: Coffee available

13.00-14.00: Buffet Lunch



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14.00-14.30 - OPENING SESSION

- Welcome address by **Mr Nello Musumeci**, President of Sicily Region
- Address by **Mr Stefano Bonaccini**, President of Emilia-Romagna Region and President of the Conference of Italian Regions & Autonomous Provinces **(tbc)**
- Address by **Mr Petri Tuomas Toumi-Nikula**, Finnish Ambassador to Italy **(tbc)**
- Address by **Mr Vasco Cordeiro**, President of the CPMR and President of the Government of the Azores
 - *Approval of the minutes of the Madeira General Assembly (October 2018)*
 - *Approval of the General Assembly Agenda*
- Presentation of the CPMR Activity Report by **Mrs Eleni Marianou**, Secretary General of the CPMR
- Debate
- Vote and approval of the CPMR Activity Report

14.30-15.45: SESSION 1 - THE 2021-2027 EU BUDGET

*Chaired and introduced by Mr Vasco Cordeiro, President of the CPMR and
President of the Government of the Azores*

Moderator: Mr Nicolas Brookes, CPMR Executive Director

- Opening statement by **Mr Jan Olbrycht**, Member of the European Parliament
- Panel discussion with **CPMR Members**

15.40: Conclusions by **Mr Vasco Cordeiro**, President of the CPMR and President of the Government of the Azores, and **Mr Nicolas Brookes**, CPMR Executive Director

15.45–16.15: Coffee break

16.15 - 17.30: SESSION 2 – THE FUTURE OF EUROPE AND TERRITORIES

Chaired and introduced by Mr Vasco Cordeiro, President of the CPMR and President of the Government of the Azores

Moderator: Sir Graham Watson, Former Member of the European Parliament (tbc)

- Keynote speech by **Mr Enrico Letta**, President of Jacques Delors Institute and former Prime Minister of the Republic of Italy (tbc)
- Contribution by **Mr John Bachtler**, Director of European Policies Research Centre, University of Strathclyde (tbc)
- Interactive panel discussion with **CPMR Members**

17.25: Conclusions by **Mr Vasco Cordeiro**, President of the CPMR and President of the Government of the Azores, and **Sir Graham Watson**, Former Member of the European Parliament

17.30 – 18.30:

MEETING OF THE CPMR POLITICAL BUREAU (Members only)

20.00: Gala Dinner

Friday 18 October 2019

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- Keynote address by **Mr Sergio Mattarella**, President of the Italian Republic (tbc)
- Keynote address by **Mr Antonio Tajani**, Chair of the AFCO Committee, European Parliament (tbc)

9.30-11.00: SESSION 3 - COHESION POLICY

Chaired and introduced by Mr Enrico Rossi, President of Tuscany Region and Vice-President of the CPMR in charge of Cohesion Policy

Moderator: Mr Nicolas Brookes, CPMR Executive Director

- Keynote speech by **Mr Younous Omarjee**, Chair of the REGI Committee, European Parliament
- Address by **Mr Karl-Heinz Lambertz**, President of the European Committee of the Regions
- Contribution by **Mrs Jacqueline Gourault**, Minister of Territorial Cohesion and Relations with Local Authorities, French Government (tbc)
- Contribution by **Mr Marc Lemaitre**, Director General for DG Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission
- Panel discussion with **CPMR Members**

10.55: Conclusions by **Mr Enrico Rossi**, President of Tuscany Region & Vice-President of the CPMR in charge of Cohesion Policy, and **Mr Nicolas Brookes**, CPMR Executive Director

11.00–11.30: Coffee break

11.30-13.00: SESSION 4 - ACCESSIBILITY AND TRANSPORT

Chaired and Moderated by CPMR Vice-President in charge of Transport

Moderator: Mr Lucas Bosser, CPMR Director

- Opening statement by **Ms Karima Delli**, Chair of the TRAN Committee, European Parliament **(tbc)**
- Address by **Mr Herald Ruijters**, Director at DG MOVE, European Commission
- Panel discussion with **CPMR Members**
- Vote on the Draft Policy Position on Accessibility and Transport

12.55: Conclusions by **the CPMR Vice-President in charge of Transport**, and **Mr Lucas Bosser**, CPMR Director

13.00-14.00: Buffet Lunch

14.00-15.15: SESSION 5 – CLIMATE AND ENERGY

Chaired and introduced by Mr Cees Loggen, Regional Minister of Noord Holland Province and Vice-President of the CPMR in charge of Climate & Energy

Moderator: Mr Damien Périssé, CPMR Director

- Opening statement by **Ms Ditte Juul Jørgensen**, Director General for DG Energy, European Commission **(tbc)**
- Panel discussion with **CPMR Members**
- Vote on the Draft Policy Paper on Climate

15.10: Conclusions by **Mr Cees Loggen**, Regional Minister of Noord Holland Province and Vice-President of the CPMR in charge of Climate & Energy, and **Mr Damien Périssé**, CPMR Director

15.15-16.30: SESSION 6 – MARITIME POLICY AND FISHERIES

Chaired and introduced by Mr George Alexakis, Regional Councillor, Crete Region and Vice-President of the CPMR in charge of Maritime Affairs

Moderator: Mr Damien Périssé, CPMR Director

- Opening statement by **Mr Chris Davies**, Chair of the Fisheries Committee, European Parliament **(tbc)**
- Panel discussion with **CPMR Members** and **Mr Pierre Karleskind**, Member of the European Parliament

16.25: Conclusions by **Mr George Alexakis**, Regional Councillor, Crete Region and Vice-President of the CPMR in charge of Maritime Affairs, and **Mr Damien Périssé**, CPMR Director

16.30-17.00: Coffee break

17.00-17.45: SESSION 7 – MANIFESTO: CPMR STRATEGIC PLAN (Final Declaration)

- Presentation of the MANIFESTO: CPMR Strategic Plan by **Mrs Eleni Marianou**, Secretary General of the CPMR
- Vote by the General Assembly

17.45-18.00: Extraordinary General Assembly Proposed modification of the CPMR Statutes

• 18.00-18.30: SESSION 8 – ADMINISTRATIVE & BUDGET DECISIONS

- **Mrs Gunn Marit Helgesen**, 1st Vice-President and Treasurer of the CPMR:
 - Presentation and vote on the 2018 annual accounts
 - Update on the implementation of the 2019 budget
 - Presentation and vote on the 2020 draft budget
- Presentation of the new CPMR Strategy on EU projects by **Mr Davide Strangis**, CPMR Executive Director
- Vote of confidence in the Secretary General by the General Assembly (cf. CPMR Statutes, point 7.4.e)

NEW CPMR MEMBER REGIONS - PRESENTATION

- Valcea County Council (Romania)
- Thessaly (Greece)
- Collectivity of Saint-Martin (France)
- Jämtland Härjedalen (Sweden)

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

CPMR Political Bureau

- 19 March 2020: Cornwall (UK) (preceded by the CPMR Seminar on Aviation)
- 11 June 2020: Zaandam, Noord-Holland (NL)

CPMR General Assembly

- 2020: Crete (Greece) - date to be confirmed
- 2021: Gozo (Malta) - date to be confirmed

18.30: Closing address by **Mr Vasco Cordeiro**, President of the CPMR and President of the Government of the Azores

End of proceedings

Free evening

Saturday 19 October 2019
Excursion to be confirmed (9.30-12.00)