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Our Nations and Regions in Cohesion Policy

CONFERENCE DOCUMENTATION

> **EFA Principles for the future of Cohesion Policy** (pdf)

PROGRAMME

9h00 - 9h30
Registration
Welcome speech - **Ian Hudghton**

9h30 - 11h00
I. The future of the European Cohesion Policy

Chair: **Jill Evans** and **Alyn Smith**

Speakers:

- *Overview and perspectives of EU cohesion policy* (**Carlos Mendez**, University of Strathclyde)
- *The importance of a strong regional and local dimension to the future Cohesion Policy: a view from Wales* (**Lowri Gwilym**, Welsh Local Government Association)
- *Sparsely populated, insular and sea regions* (**Jean-Didier Hache**, Executive Secretary Islands Commission CPMR))

11h15 - 13h00
II. Innovative Economic Initiatives: sharing innovative best practices

Chair: **Oriol Junqueras** and **François Alfonsi**

Speakers:

- *Social economy* (Cooperativa Mondragon, Basque Country) (**Mikel Lezamiz**, Director of co-operative dissemination)
- *Femu Qui* (financial instrument for Corsican economy) (**Jean-François Stefani**)
- *Tourism based on culture and identity* (**Cesc Iglesias**, Project Manager Catalan Tourist Board)

15h00 - 17h00
III. Innovative Economic Initiatives: A decentralized approach better linked to the needs of the territory

Chair: **Frieda Brepoels** and **Tatjana Zdanoka**

Speakers:

- *Vigo, the case of an industrial-peripheric atlantic city* (**Santiago Dominguez**, Vice-Mayor)
- *Model for nature financing: the Hoge Kempen National Park* (**Ignace Schops**, Director)
- *The Latvian experience* (**Miroslav Mitrofanov**)

PRACTICAL INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Interpretation will be provided in Catalan, Welsh, Galician, French, English, Dutch, Spanish
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