



**DRAFT AGENDA**

**INTERPARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**European Parliament - National Parliaments**

**The Future of Cohesion Policy post 2020:  
Opportunities, Challenges and Next Steps**

Wednesday, 22 November 2017, 15.00 – 18.30

European Parliament, Brussels

Room - József Antall (JAN) 4Q2

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## **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

Moderator: **Ms Iskra Mihaylova**, Chair of the Committee on Regional Development of the European Parliament

14.00 - 15.00 Registration of participants

15.00 - 15.10 **Welcome and introductory remarks**  
**Ms Iskra Mihaylova**, Chair of the Committee on Regional Development of the European Parliament

15.10-15.25 **Ms Corina Crețu**, European Commissioner for Regional Policy

15.25-15.40 **Mr Jaak Aab**, Minister for Public Administration, Estonian Presidency of the Council of the European Union

15.40-16.30 **Launching the debate**  
The Future of Cohesion Policy post 2020

Speakers:

15.40-15.50 **Mr Eric Von Breska**, Director, DG REGIO, European Commission

15.50-16.00 **Ms Ivelina Vassileva**, Chair of the Committee on Environment and Water, National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria

16.00-16.10 **Mr Ilie Niță**, Chair of the Committee on Regional Development, Senate of Romania

16.10-16.20 **Mr Michael Schneider**, Member of the Committee of the Regions, rapporteur of the CoR opinion “The Future of Cohesion Policy beyond 2020”

16.20-16.30 **Ms Kerstin Westphal**, Member of the European Parliament, rapporteur of “Building blocks for a post-2020 EU Cohesion policy” resolution

16.30-18.20 **Open debate**  
Between the Members of the European Parliament and National Parliaments

18.20-18.30 Closing remarks by **Ms Iskra Mihaylova**, Chair of the Committee on Regional Development of the European Parliament

## ANNEX

### IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR THOSE WISHING TO ATTEND THE MEETING

All participants from **National Parliaments** (Members, officials and Brussels-based representatives) need to complete the online registration form for the event, more information on that will follow soon.

#### PRACTICAL GUIDELINES FOR THE DEBATE

- During the discussion, so as to make it possible for the highest number of parliamentarians to intervene, speaking time of speakers will be **ten minutes** and speaking time of other participants at least **two minutes** per contribution or question.
- Members are kindly asked to fill in the sheet requesting speaking time (indicating their name and Parliament/Chamber) which will be distributed in the meeting room.
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#### THE MEETING IS BROADCASTED LIVE AND RECORDED

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