

## AER COMMITTEE 1 "ECONOMY AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT" PLENARY MEETING

16 March 2010  
Alba Iulia, Alba (RO)

Draft agenda  
(Last updated: 09.03.2010)

### 14:30 – 14:50 Opening of the meeting

1. Introduction by Committee 1 President Håkan Sandgren
2. Adoption of the minutes from the previous meeting (Västernorrland, 22/09/2009)
3. Adoption of the draft agenda

### 14:50 – 15:20 Cohesion policy

4. Brief update on recent developments on cohesion policy
5. Information on the AER Conference on cohesion policy to be held on 7<sup>th</sup> December and on the preparatory workshops

### 15:20 – 15:40 Economic Development and Innovation

6. Update on innovation award: 2010 edition
7. Information on upcoming Training Academy on innovation
8. Discussion over the Contribution of R&D (Research and Development) to Prosperity of all Regions in Europe, in the prospect of the next AER General Assembly
9. AER upcoming activities on women entrepreneurship in cooperation with the Istanbul region

### 15:40 – 16:00 AER and EU 2020

10. EC consultation paper and AER first reaction
11. Outcome of the Conference organised with Eurochambers in Brussels in February 2010
12. New EC communication, decision-making process to take place until final adoption in June
13. AER final contribution to the debate and steps to be taken in the coming weeks

### 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

### **16:30 – 16:40 Energy**

14. Update on the AER Energy study
15. Update on the preparation of AER “European Regions’ Energy Day” (28-29/04/2010)
16. Update on other upcoming activities

### **16:40 – 17:00 European projects in which AER is involved**

17. Information on More4NRG, Interreg IVC project, by Justyna Podralska, Committee 1 Policy Coordinator
18. Information on ECREIN, Interreg IVC project, by Estelle Delangle, Committee 1 Policy Coordinator

### **17:00 – 17:10 Rural development**

19. Information on the next AER working group meeting

### **17:10 – 17:20 Sustainable tourism**

20. Adoption of the draft AER answer to the EC discussion document on “A new framework for tourism policy in the EU”.

### **17:20 – 17:30 Miscellaneous**

21. Announcement of elections to be held in the next plenary meeting in October (Committee 1 presidium)
22. Announcement of the next meeting of the Standing Committee on “Monitoring and Evaluation”, to be held on 26 April in Brussels
23. Announcement of next General Assembly, to be held in Istanbul (TR) on 10-12 November

### **17:30 End of the meeting**