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Energising Europe Responsibly: Regional Innovation and Diversity for Growth and Jobs

Draft Agenda
AER General Assembly & General Meeting 2009
(as of 18th November – subject to modification)

Meeting venue:
GE Energy
20 Avenue du Maréchal Juin 90 000 Belfort

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER – AER WORKING GROUP ON EUROPEAN FUNDING

14:00 – 15:00

Registration of participants (*at the Meeting Venue*)

15:00 – 16:00

Meeting of the working group on European funding

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER – BUREAU MEETING

15:00 – 18:00

Registration of participants (*at the Meeting Venue*)

16:00 – 18:30

Bureau Meeting (*Bureau members only*)

(separate agenda)

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Session open to AER members only

08:00 – 09:00

Registration of participants (*at the Meeting Venue*)

09:00 – 10:00

I Opening session presented by Alain Denvers

- Yves Menat, Chief Executive of GE Energy in France
- Michèle Sabban, President of the AER and Vice-President of the Region Ile-de-France
(*Video*)
- Marie-Guite Dufay, President of Region Franche-Comté
- Christian Proust, Chief Executive of SEMPAT
- Etienne Butzbach, Mayor of Belfort
- Yves Ackermann, President of the General Council of Territoire de Belfort
- Pierre Moscovici, President of the Community of Agglomerations from Montbeliard Land
- Ricardo Cordoba, President of GE Energy for Western Europe and Northern Africa

	- Nani Beccalli, Chief Executive of GE International
	Opening speech Michèle Sabban, President of the AER and Vice-President of the Region Ile-de-France
10:00 – 10:30	II Statutory matters
10:00	1 Adoption of the draft agenda
	2 Adoption of the minutes of the last General Assembly (Tampere, 12 th - 14th November 2008)
10:05	3 State of Membership and approval of new members
10:10	4 Adoption of the account 2008 Urs Wüthrich-Pelloli, Vice-President Treasurer
10:15	5 Report of the Auditor on the account 2008 P. Maire, KPMG
10:25	6 Adoption of the draft budget 2010 Urs Wüthrich-Pelloli, Vice-President Treasurer
10:30	END of the 1st part of the General Assembly
10:30 – 11:00	Interruption for the Extraordinary General Assembly (Separate agenda)
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee-break
11:30 – 13:30	2nd part of the General Assembly Regions at the heart of action SESSION OPEN TO ALL PARTICIPANTS
	III Mobility Programmes for European Youth
	1 Presentation of the Eurodyssey Programme Rui Bettencourt, Secretary General
	2 Presentation of LOJIQ Programme Alfred Pilon, Secretary General
	3 Intervention on plans in favour of Youth Michèle Sabban, President of the AER
	4 Signature of the agreement between AER and LOJIQ – Québec (International Youth Offices in Quebec) Alfred Pilon, Secretary General of LOJIQ Michèle Sabban, President of the AER Rui Bettencourt, Eurodyssey Secretary General
	5 Award for: 1/ Innovation
	En route to Copenhagen
	IV Film (5-10 mn)
	V Conference: World Tour by the summits (60-75 mn) Bernard Voyer, international explorer
	Debate with the audience and dialogue during the Open Space
13:30	Lunch Press conference

Activity reports

14:45	VI Activity reports of the AER President and Secretary General
15:05	VII Activity Reports of the AER Committees and Programmes and adoption of documents
15:05	1 Committee 1 on Economy and Regional Development Håkan Sandgren, President Committee 1
15:10	2 Committee 2 on Social Policy and Public Health Constantin Ostaficiuc, President Committee 2
15:15	3 Standing Committee on Equal Opportunities Monica Carlsson, President of the Standing Committee
15:20	4 Committee 3 on Culture, Education and Interregional Co-operation Johanna Mikl-Leitner, President Committee 3
15:25	5 Standing Committee on Institutional Affairs Peter Straub, AER Vice-President
15:30	6 Standing Committee on Monitoring and Evaluation Brian Greenslade, AER Vice-President
15:35	7 Summer School Ana Enguidanos, Valencia

15:45 – 18:30

VIII OPEN SPACE ON INNOVATION, ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE
WORKSHOPS (subject to modification): Politicians of member regions will be in charge of the workshops!
(Please announce your interest to [s.vincon@aer.eu](mailto:s.vincon@ aer.eu))

House of Commons

The idea behind the 'House of Commons' is to duplicate the style and dynamics of the debates in the UK parliament. A short thesis or declaration will open the discussion, presenting one side of the theme at hand and the 'House of Lords' (ie, participants) will be invited to react in favor or against the statement. The assembly will be asked to change their seating accordingly: those in favor on one side, those opposed on the other with a net separation.

Dark future room

Still sceptical about Climate Change? Enter the Dark Future Room and experience the costs of inaction in the arm wrestling against climate change. The Dark Room is conceived to make people face the consequences of climate change physically, so, be prepared!

Inspiration Factory

Directly coming from the Dark Future room, you enter a bright inspiration labyrinth, leading to the inspiration corner. The labyrinth offers different sets of activities and exhibitions on new and original ideas to act at ground level. In the inspiration corner, speakers will develop those ideas and encourage all of you to act and avoid the dark perspectives presented in the first room

Stand exhibition

Our stand exhibition will offer you perspectives on what is done throughout Europe. During coffee-breaks or while taking part in the Open Space session, come around our stands in order to get in

Speakers' corner

touch with what the regions do in the fields of climate change and innovation.

Carbon footprint

Following the concept of the speaker's corner in Hyde park in London, we will offer at this year's General Assembly as well a place for debate, exchange of information and opinions and argumentations. 4-5 speakers will have the chance to present their views on the topic of Energy in a 15-minute speech, which will be followed by a 10-minute discussion with the audience. Do you have a provocative thesis on energy you would like to share? Do you want to make a point on how to deal with climate change? Please join the speaker's corner!

Speed Peer reviews

For sure you have heard of the famous carbon or ecological footprint! Come over and calculate how "environmentally friendly" or not, you are! How many Planet Earths do we need for everybody to live like you? Learn some tips on how to reduce your impact...

Project Café

Speed peer reviews take up the concept of AER's successful energy peer review scheme where regional experts examine energy challenges in a host region and provide politicians and administrations with expert recommendations. While an AER energy peer review usually lasts one week, speed peer reviews will give members with the opportunity to get first answers to their energy questions during a 30 minutes round table talk with experts from other regions. Members can register for a speed peer review in advance and provide experts with their question beforehand in order to prepare for the meeting. Speed peer reviews will not only provide members with initial expert advice but also give them the chance to kick off further cooperation, e.g. a real peer reviews or a project with the energy experts they meet.

20:30

For all who want to learn about existing projects, to discuss own project ideas and to team up with potential partners to Energise Europe. Feel free to submit your project idea to AER's Partnership Pool in advance: <http://www.aer.eu/home/menu-icone/my-profile/partnership-pool/partnership-pool-input-forms.html>

Family photo
Official dinner

FRIDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER

09:00 - 10:00

IX Intervention of the UNDP
Christophe Nuttall

Intervention of the Climate Group
Steve Howard

10:00 - 11:30

X Moderated discussion by Pierre Lemoine (Europolitics)

On the theme of: "the regional aspect of energy and climate change"

Participants: Steve Howard, Christophe Nuttall, Ricardo Cordoba, Gudrun Mosler-Törnström, Lambert van Nistelrooij,

	Ludmila Sfirloaga
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee-break Press conference
12:00 - 12:10	XI Adoption of the Final Declaration Michèle Sabban, President of the AER
12:10 - 13:00	XII Awards for: 1/ Communication 2/ The Most Youth Friendly European Region
13:10 - 13:30	XIII Closing speech Michèle Sabban, President of the AER
13:30	Lunch