



Franche-Comté
Conseil régional

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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 8th September – subject to modification)

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

WEDNESDAY, 25TH NOVEMBER – BUREAU MEETING

15:00 – 18:00

Registration of participants (*at the Meeting Venue*)

15:00 – 18:00

Bureau Meeting (*Bureau members only*)

THURSDAY, 26TH NOVEMBER - GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Session open to AER members only

08:30 – 09:30

Registration of participants (*at the Meeting Venue*)

09:30 – 09:50

I Opening session

09:30 – 09:40

Michèle Sabban, Vice-President of the Region Ile-de-France and AER President

09:40 - 09:45

Marie-Guite Dufay, President of Region Franche-Comté

09:45 – 09:50

Ricardo Cordoba, President of GE Energy for Western Europe and Northern Africa

09:50 – 10:20

II Statutory matters

09:50

1 Adoption of the draft agenda

2 Adoption of the minutes of the last General Assembly (Tampere, 12th - 14th November 2008)

09:55

3 State of Membership and approval of new members

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10:00	4 Report of the Auditor on the account 2008 P. Maire, KPMG
10:10	5 Adoption of the account 2008 Urs Wüthrich-Pelloli, Vice-President Treasurer
10:15	6 Adoption of the draft budget 2010 Urs Wüthrich-Pelloli, Vice-President Treasurer
10:20	END of the 1st part of the General Assembly
10:20 – 10:50	Interruption for the Extraordinary General Assembly Separate agenda
11:00 – 11:50	2nd part of the General Assembly
	SESSION OPEN TO ALL PARTICIPANTS
11:00	III Activity reports of the AER President and Secretary General
11:20	IV Activity Reports of the AER Committees and Programmes and adoption of documents
11:20	1 Committee 1 on Economy and Regional Development Håkan Sandgren, President Committee 1
11:25	2 Committee 2 on Social Policy and Public Health Constantin Ostaficiuc, President Committee 2
11:30	3 Committee 3 on Culture, Education and Interregional Co-operation Johanna Miki-Leitner, President Committee 3
11:35	4 Standing Committee on Institutional Affairs AER Vice-President, Peter Straub
11:40	5 Standing Committee on Monitoring and Evaluation AER Vice-President, Brian Greenslade
11:45	6 Programmes (Summer School, Eurodyssey, Centurio) Michèle Sabban, AER President
11:45 – 12:15	V Keynote Speech Bernard Voyer, Explorer
12:15 – 12:25	VI Signature of the agreement between AER and LOJIQ – Québec (International Youth Offices in Quebec) Alfred Pilon, Secretary General of LOJIQ
13:00	Family photo and lunch

14:45 – 17:30

VII 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)

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

Stands exhibition

(text TBD)

Speakers' corner

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!

Carbon footprint

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...

Speed Peer reviews

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

Project Café	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.
Electrical car	Tbc
The bicycle	Tbc
VIP room	An invitation to the presidents of regions to exchange on different related-to-energy topics at their level of responsibility.
Invitation	To meet AER President Michèle Sabban
Invitation	To meet the President of the European Commission José-Manuel Barroso
20:30	Official dinner

FRIDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER

09:30 - 10:30	VIII Fishbowl discussion Roundtable on the previous day's results, recommendations, lessons learned, open questions.
10:30 – 12:00	IX Moderated discussion On the theme of: “the regional aspect of energy and climate change”
12:15 – 12:25	X Adoption of the Final Declaration Christina Diegelmann – Senior Policy Coordinator (Committee 1)
12:25 – 12:55	XI Speech by José Manuel Barroso President of the European Commission
12:55 – 13:15	XII Concluding remarks
13:30	Lunch
Given in between sessions:	<p><i>The Awards for:</i> <i>1/ Innovation</i> <i>2/ Communication</i> <i>3/ The Most Youth Friendly European Region</i></p> <p><i>The press conferences</i></p> <p><i>The coffee-breaks</i></p>