

Draft Agenda

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND MOBILITY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN: A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE REGIONS

18 January 2019, Alicante (ES)

9.30 - 14.00

Venue: Casa Mediterráneo, Alicante

Interpreting: Spanish/English/French

In the framework of the roadmap set out in the [Alliance with Africa](#) launched by the European Commission, EU regions intend to move forward in collaboration with the southern shore of the Mediterranean, notably by holding a meeting with politicians and specialists in economic and development cooperation with Africa. The meeting plans to address cooperation, firstly in relation to economic investment and the factors that determine and condition it, ranging from the institutional background to the educational and productivity environment; and secondly, by examining examples of good practices from regions' contributions to development goals, in a context of cooperation between both shores.

9:30 OPENING SESSION

- **Javier Hergueta**, Director of the *Casa del Mediterráneo*
- **Eugenio Ambrosi**, Director of the International Migration Organisation's Regional Office for the European Economic Area, the European Union and NATO (tbc)
- **Ximo Puig**, President of Valencia

10:30 AGENDA 2030 IN THE MEDITERRANEAN, ALLIANCE FOR INCLUSIVE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT / REGIONAL EXPERIENCES

Moderator: Davide Strangis, Executive Secretary of the CPMR Intermediterranean Commission

- **Gemma Pinyol**, Instrategies
- Regional experiences from the European Union:
 - **Antonia Moreno Ruiz**, Director General for Cooperation and Solidarity, Valencia
 - **Annika Annerby Janssen**, Vice President, Skåne (SE)
 - (...) Regions from the northern Mediterranean
 - Regions from the southern Mediterranean

12:00 Coffee break

12:30 ECONOMIC AND TERRITORIAL COOPERATION IN THE SOUTHERN NEIGHBOURHOOD

Moderator: M.ª Dolores Parra, Director General for Global Affairs, Valencia

- Chamber of Commerce
- Representative of IVACE (Valencian Institute for Business Competitiveness) International Affairs in Morocco (tbc)
- Valencian businesses with investments in Africa
- **Vincent Ernoux**, ENI Branch office for the Western Mediterranean

14:00 CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSE