"Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 – Cohesion and Values: the role of regional and local authorities"

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European Committee of the Regions (room JDE 53)

Rue Belliard 99/101, 1040 Bruxelles
On 2 May 2018, the Commission presented a number of legislative proposals for the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2021-2027 period. The largest in terms of the budget in the MFF is the Heading 2 – Cohesion and Values. The Heading 2 covers the spending for cohesion policy, economic and monetary union and investments regarding social inclusion and values.

The aim of the workshops “Multiannual financial framework 2021-2027–Cohesion and Values: the role of regional and local authorities” is to contribute to the discussion of the state of play in the MFF negotiations and to repeat positions of regions and cities towards the Commission proposal. The main focus of the discussion will be whether the proposed budget and Cohesion and Values heading will contribute to set objectives to reduced economic, social and territorial disparities. The session will focus on the MFF proposal, the aspects that are the most relevant for cities and regions and the ways how to compensate possible cuts to Cohesion policy.

9.15 a.m. **Welcome addresses**

- **Mr Nikola Dobroslavić**, President of Dubrovnik-Neretva Region
- **Ms Dubravka Šuica**, Vice-President-designate of European Commission for Democracy and Demography, tbc

9.30 a.m. **Session: Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 – Cohesion and Values: the role of regional and local authorities**

*Moderator: Mr Adrian Ovidiu Teban*, Mayor of Cugir, CoR rapporteur on “Better Communication for Cohesion Policy”

- **Mr Nikola Dobroslavić**, CoR Member, President of the Dubrovnik Neretva Region, CoR rapporteur on “The Multiannual Financial Framework package for the years 2021-2027”
- **Mr Marko Pavić**, Minister of Regional Development and EU Funds of the Republic of Croatia
- **Ms Simeona Manova**, Directorate General for Budget, European Commission
- **Mr Karlo Ressler**, Member of European Parliament, Committee on Budgets
- **Mr Goran Pauk**, President of Croatian County Association

Open debate
10.30 a.m.  **Closing statements**

- **Mr Nikola Dobroslavić**, CoR Member, President of the Dubrovnik Neretva Region

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