



**ESPON 2013 Programme
Internal Seminar**

Evidence-based Cohesion Policy: Territorial Dimensions

29-30 November 2011

Kraków, Poland

Venue

Jagiellonian University of Kraków

Auditorium Maximum

Address: ul. Krupnicza 33, 31-123 Kraków

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Purpose

This ESPON Internal Seminar shall contribute to the current policy development by:

- Engaging in a constructive exchange of views on issues of political interest related to a stronger territorial dimension in future policy, where ESPON can contribute with territorial fact and evidence:
- Conducting a stimulating discussion on current project results and progress, highlighting the added value of using the facts and evidence provided for place-based policy making: and
- Increasing the involvement of actors and networking, creating synergetic linkages between the projects, and finding options to improve processing, dissemination and communication of ESPON results to policy-makers ranging from local/regional level to pan-European level.

The seminar will be held on 29-30 November 2011 in Kraków, Poland, It is organised in cooperation with the Polish Presidency of the European Union within the framework of the ESPON 2013 Programme.

Context and Flow

ESPON, the European Observation Network for Territorial Development and Cohesion, strives to support policy development with facts and evidence covering the entire European territory, its regions and cities.

Interest at a European level in evidence-based and result-oriented policy delivery is high. This demand is for an integrated, place-based approach to development and a territorial dimension in policy development. This is in order to fulfil the high-level objective of territorial cohesion and harmonious development of the European territory.

The ESPON Internal Seminar 2011 will therefore try to fulfil a double ambition.

On the first day, the internal ESPON seminar will take its starting point from the debate around future Cohesion Policy and the Territorial Agenda 2020. Key note speeches from the Polish EU Presidency and the European Commission will give the most up to date policy considerations related to European policy with a territorial dimension. Following this plenary session, a number of key policy issues and demands will be addressed in a second session aiming at answers on the possible contribution and use of ESPON results in support of a territorial dimension in policy making.

On the second day, the internal ESPON seminar aims to stimulate proceedings through a debate of project results between policy makers in the ESPON Monitoring Committee, Stakeholders behind ESPON Targeted Analyses, the ESPON Contact Point Network and the partners of ESPON projects. In parallel workshops, a large number of ESPON projects will present their current progress. The feedback will ensure that policy-makers will get relevant and scientifically robust results from the programme. This will also be an opportunity to unleash synergies between the themes and projects.

In closing the seminar, the next steps of European policy development related to territorial cohesion as well as in the implementation of the ESPON 2013 Programme will be tabled. A particular plenary dialogue will be stimulated on the future of ESPON post 2013.

Target audience

The seminar is targeting members of the ESPON Monitoring Committee, stakeholders participating in Targeted Analyses, Lead and Project Partners as well as the ESPON Contact Points. A maximum of 200 participants can be welcomed at the venue.

We look forward to meeting you in Kraków on 29-30 November 2011!

Monday 28 November 2011

19:30 *Welcome reception*

Tuesday 29 November 2011

09:00 – 10:00 *Registration and Coffee and Tea*

10:00 – 10:45 **Welcome Opening the Seminar**

The Polish EU Presidency

- Mayor of Krakow, Prof. Jacek Majchrowski (tbc)
- Rector of the Jagiellonian University, Prof. Karol Musioł (tbc)
- Minister of Regional Development, Elżbieta Bieńkowska (tbc)
- ESPON MA Luxembourg

10:45 – 12:30 **Territorial Dimensions in future Cohesion Policy**

Latest policy development and challenges:

- European Commission, Nicholas Martyn (tbc)
- Chancellery of the Prime Minister, Michał Boni (tbc)
- Polish Presidency in the Council of the European Union, Piotr Żuber (tbc)

Plenary discussion facilitated by Moderator

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch*

13:30 – 15:30 **Evidence support to Territorial Dimensions in Policy making**

Key issues in demand in current policy development:

- Towards strengthening Territorial Cohesion in EU decision making – territorial keys and indicators and their policy implications, dr. Philippe Doucet (tbc) and dr. Kai Boehme (tbc)
- Territorial Key: Case Study Poland , prof. Tomasz Komornicki and dr. Dariusz Swiątek
- Territorial Impact Assessment, OIR/UK (tbc)
- Functional Areas, (tbc)
- National Spatial Development Concept 2030 for Poland – territorial approach in national policy-making, (tbc)

15:30 – 16:00 *Coffee and Tea Break*

16:00 – 17.15 **Discussion and conclusions from sessions of the first day**

Plenary discussion facilitated by Moderator

17.15 - 17.30 **Introduction of the Parallel Workshops on the next day**

18.30 *Guided tour of Rynek Underground*

20:00 *Conference dinner at Wierzynek Restaurant, Kraków*

Wednesday 30 November 2011

Parallel Workshops: Progress on Territorial Evidence

09:00 – 10:30 **Workshop Session 1:**

Workshop 1.1	Workshop 1.2	Workshop 1.3	Workshop 1.4
Visions and Strategies for Territorial Development	Territorial Governance	Specific Types of Regions	ESPON Database

10:30 – 11:00 *Coffee and Tea Break*

11:00 – 12:30 **Workshop Session 2:**

Workshop 2.1	Workshop 2.2	Workshop 2.3	Workshop 2.4
Transnational Networking Activities	Accessibility and Territorial Cohesion	Territorial Potentials	Transnational and cross-border cooperation

12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch*

13:30 – 15:00 **Workshop Session 3:**

Workshop 3.1	Workshop 3.2	Workshop 3.3	Workshop 3.4
Sustainable Territories	Territories in new Contexts	Territorial Monitoring	Financial Management Support Desk

15:00 – 16:30 **Closing Plenary Session:**

- ESPON 2013 and post 2013: Experiences and Prospects, Peter Mehlbye

Plenary Discussion

- Upcoming Danish and Cypriote EU Presidencies
- Farewell by EU Presidency Poland

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More information

The ESPON 2013 Programme is part-financed by the European Regional Development Fund, the EU Member States and the Partner States Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.

It shall support policy development in relation to the aim of territorial cohesion and a harmonious development of the European territory. ESPON shall support Cohesion Policy development with European wide, comparable information, evidence, analyses and scenarios on framework conditions for the development of regions, cities and larger territories. In doing so, it shall facilitate the mobilisation of territorial capital and development opportunities, contributing to improving European competitiveness, to the widening and deepening of European territorial cooperation and to a sustainable and balanced development.

The Managing Authority responsible for the ESPON 2013 Programme is the Ministry of Sustainable Development and Infrastructures, Department for Spatial Planning and Development of Luxembourg.

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