

# VIBRANT CROSS-BORDER LABOUR MARKETS

18-19 JANUARY 2023, BRUSSELS



## Agenda

### Wednesday 18 January 2023

Moderator of plenary sessions: **Barbara Lehtna**

**12.00 – 13.30**

Security procedures to enter in the building  
Registration and light lunch

**13.30 – 13.50**

Policy Opening – **plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**  
**Marc Lemaitre**, DG REGIO, European Commission

**13.50 – 14.20**

**1<sup>st</sup> plenary Keynote**

The challenging life of cross-border commuters – **plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**  
**Teresa Ventin**, EURES Transfronteirizo, Galicia-Norte Portugal

**14.20 – 15.50**

**Panel: Better access to cross-border labour markets**

**Headline introduction**

Daily challenges as seen from a solutions provider – **plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**  
**Céline Laforsch**, Task Force Transfrontalier 3.0

**Comments**

“Obstacles impede regional labour markets from balancing each other”

**Tue David Bak**, Greater Copenhagen

“The importance of cross-border mobility”

**Sigried Caspar**, DG EMPL, European Commission

“Challenges of the recognition of qualifications in a cross-border context

**Lavinia Kortese**, Utrecht University

**15.50 – 16.20**

Coffee break

**16.20 – 17.40**

**Parallel Breakout Sessions**

**Session 1: Recognition of qualifications – breakout room JENKINS' (floor 0)**

Moderator: **Koen Nomden**, DG EMPL, European Commission

**Guus de Bruijn**, General Secretariat of the Benelux Union

**Luis Manuel Janeiro**, Portuguese Red Cross School of Health Alto Tâmega

**Alessia Vetere**, Eures Adviser Trieste e Udine

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- 16.20 – 17.40**      **Session 2: Information on the job market – plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**  
Moderator: **Lambert Kleinmann**, DG EMPL, European Commission  
**Martin Unfried**, Institute for Transnational and Euregional Cross border Cooperation and Mobility  
**Stéphanie Roser**, Infobest PAMINA  
**Leyre Azcona**, Euroregion Nouvelle-Aquitaine, Euskadi, Navarre
- Session 3: Challenges in taxation of individuals – breakout MANSHOLT (floor 0)**  
Moderator: **Henrik Paulander**, DG TAXUD, European Commission  
**José Lago Garcia**, Xunta de Galicia  
**Annmarie O’Kane**, Centre for Cross Border Studies  
**Michele Berti**, EURES Trieste
- 17.45 – 18.10**      **Plenary keynote : Cross-border labour markets seen from the territorial perspective – plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**  
**Christian Dupessey**, Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière
- 18.15 – 20.00**      **Networking reception**

## Thursday 19 January 2023

- 8.30 – 9.00**      Security procedures to enter in the building  
Welcome Coffee
- 9.00 – 10.10**      **Parallel Breakout Sessions – plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**
- Session 4: Post-covid era - the fiscal challenges of teleworking – plenary GASPERI**  
Moderator: **Albert RAEDLER**, DG TAXUD D2  
**Marjon Weerepas**, Maastricht University, Tax Law  
**Krister Andersson**, Confederation of Swedish Enterprise  
**Anne Sander**, MEP
- Session 5: Cross-border education – breakout room JENKINS (floor 0)**  
Moderator: **Ms Pauline Ravinet**, DG EAC B1  
**Jakob Ebner**, Dalarna County Administrative Board  
**Roxana Breazu**, INTERREG Romania-Bulgaria  
**Ines Funk**, Saarland University
- Session 6: Social security access for cross-border workers – breakout MANSH (0)**  
Moderator: **Gabriela Humar**, DG EMPL, European Commission  
**Rafał Peszka**, Borderland Association "Nasza Suwalszczyzna"  
**Anton Bouwmeister**, De Kempenaer Advocaten  
**Péter Nagy**, EGTC Ister-Granum
- 10.10 – 10.40**      Coffee Break

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- 10.40 – 11.10**      **Plenary Keynote**
- Fair distribution of taxes in transfrontier areas – plenary GASPERI (floor 2)**  
**Karl Heinz Lambertz**, President of the Parliament of the German-speaking Community in Belgium and Member of the Committee of the Regions
- 11.10 – 12.20**      **Panel: Cross-border taxation challenges – plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**
- Headline intro : The Fair Taxation package**  
**Reinhard Biebel**, DG TAXUD, European Commission
- Comments**
- “The challenge for tax administrations to be capable to provide coherent information”  
**Peter Hansen**, Region Sønderjylland – Schleswig
- “Clarity issues of social security contributions and access”  
**Heike Xhonneux**, GrenzInfoPunkt Aachen-Eurode
- 12.20 – 12.50**      **4th plenary key note: The positive impact of cross-border work in socio-economic development – plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**  
**Henk Van Houtum**, Radboud University, Head of Nijmegen Centre for Border Research
- 12.50 – 13.10**      **Closure – plenary room GASPERI (floor 2)**
- The experience of a regional government with large number of cross-border commuters  
**Brigitte TORLOTING**, Vice-President of the Grand Est
- The European Commission’s commitment to facilitate cross-border labour markets  
**Slawomir Tokarski**, Director for Territorial Cooperation, DG REGIO
- 13.15 – 14.30**      **Networking lunch**