



Draft programme with invited representatives

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Moderator : **Bénédicte Paviot**

TUESDAY, 24 MARCH 2020

08.00 – 09.00 **Registration and welcoming coffee**

09.00 – 09.30 **Opening session**

- **Ursula von der Leyen**, *President of the European Commission*
- **Elisa Ferreira**, *Commissioner for Cohesion and Reforms*
- **Soibahadine Ibrahim Ramadani**, *President of the Departmental Council of Mayotte, Chair of the Conference of Presidents of the Outermost Regions*

09.30 – 10.00

- **Annick Girardin**, *Minister of Overseas, France*
- **Ana Paula Zacarias**, *Secretary of State of European Affairs, Portugal*
- **Marco Aguiriano**, *Secretary of State for the European Union, Spain*

10.00 – 10.30 **Coffee break and official photo**

10.30 – 12.00

- **Daniel Gibbes**, *President of the Collectivity of Saint-Martin (past Presidency)*
- **Vasco Alves Cordeiro**, *President of the Regional Government of the Autonomous Region of Azores (future Presidency)*
- **Ángel Víctor Torres**, *President of the Government of the Canary Islands*
- **Ary Chalus**, *President of the Regional Council of Guadeloupe*
- **Rodolphe Alexandre**, *President of the Territorial Collectivity of French Guiana*
- **Miguel Albuquerque**, *President of the Regional Government of the Autonomous Region of Madeira*
- **Alfred Marie-Jeanne**, *President of the Territorial Collectivity of Martinique*
- **Didier Robert**, *President of the Regional Council of Reunion*

12.00 – 12.45

- **Younous Omarjee**, *MEP – Chairman of the European Parliament Committee on Regional Development*
- **Marko Pavić**, *Minister for Regional Development and EU Funds, Croatian Presidency 2020*
- **Karl-Heinz Lambertz**, *President of the Committee of the Regions*
- **Luca Jahier**, *President of European Economic and Social Committee*

12.45 – 13.00 **Closing of the morning session**

- **Marc Lemaître**, *Director General, European Commission, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy*

13.00 – 13.30 **Press conference or Press corner**

13.00 – 14.45 **Lunch**



14.45 – 16.15

Panel debate n°1 - *Developing climate strategies and protecting biodiversity in the Outermost regions*

Speakers:

- **Younous Omarjee**, MEP – *Chairman of the European Parliament Committee on Regional Development (invited)*
- **José Antonio Valbuena**, *Regional Minister for Ecological Transition, Fight against Climate Change and Territorial Planning, Government of the Canary Islands*
- **Alexandre Magnan**, *Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for sustainable development and international relations, Sciences Po, Paris*

Developing climate strategies in the Outermost regions

- **Questions from moderator**
- **Speakers' interventions / Questions and answers with the audience**

16.15 – 16.45

Coffee break

16.45 – 18.00

Protecting biodiversity in the Outermost regions

- **Questions from moderator**
- **Speakers' interventions / Questions and answers with the audience**

16.30 – 18.30

Networking session (bilateral meetings)

18.00 – 18.30

Cocktail

18.30 – 21.00

Dinner with live music

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WEDNESDAY, 25 MARCH 2020

08.30 – 9.00

Welcome coffee

09.00 – 9.15

Opening speech

- **Virginijus Sinkevičius**, Commissioner for Environment and Oceans (invited)

09.15 – 10.45

Panel debate n°2 - Promoting circular economy in the Outermost regions

Speakers:

- **Susana Prada**, Madeira Regional Secretary for Environment, Spatial Planning and Climate Change, University of Madeira Professor
- **Jan Jonker**, Professor at the Radboud University in Nijmegen, Netherlands (invited)
- **Juan Fernando Lopez Aguilar**, MEP (invited)
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Questions from moderator

Speakers' interventions / Questions and answers with the audience

10.45 – 11.15

Coffee break

11.15 – 12.45

Panel debate n°3 – Blue economy, a driver for growth in the Outermost regions

Speakers:

- **Keynote: Pascal Lamy**, Chair of the Paris Peace Forum (PPF), Chair of the French Committee of the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC)
- **Claudia Monteiro de Aguiar**, MEP, Vice-Chair of the European Parliament Committee on Fisheries (invited)
- **Carlos Andrade**, Coordinator of the Calheta Mariculture Center, Government of the Autonomous Region of Madeira (invited)
- **Eleni Marianou**, Secretary General of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions

Questions from moderator

Speakers' interventions / Questions and answers with the audience

12.45 – 13.15

Closing session

- **Soibahadine Ibrahim Ramadani**, President of the Departmental Council of Mayotte, Chair of the Conference of Presidents
- **Ursula von der Leyen**, President of the European Commission (envisaged)
or
- **Elisa Ferreira**, Commissioner for Cohesion and Reforms