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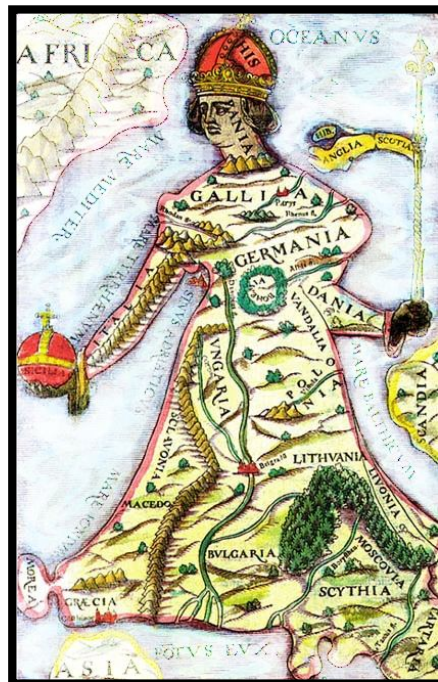
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WARSAW REGIONAL FORUM 2011

*Functional regions – towards a new paradigm
of territorial and cohesion policy*



Warsaw, 19-22 October 2011

THIRD CIRCULAR & PROGRAMME

This year's Forum will be focused on the functional regions as a new paradigm of territorial and cohesion policy. It is related to the now ongoing works on the new shape of the European cohesion policy. Greater flexibility in delimitation of units that are primary focus of that policy is postulated, among others, in the *Fifth Cohesion Report*. The new results obtained from the evaluation studies carried out in the previous programming periods attest to the importance of adopting the new approach to the European space. A functional region constitutes a space whose basic element is different from a traditionally understood sectoral specialization. Its determinants are, to an increasingly larger extent, made up of such elements like size, directions and structure of linkages and flows. Interestingly, as regards the last, these can be both inner flows (commuting to work and services of general interests, production chains) as well as outer flows (trade exchange, migrations), including often the processes of global significance.

The Ministry of Regional Development of Poland is a co-organizer of the Warsaw Regional Forum 2011. In the latter half of 2011, Poland assumed the Presidency of the European Union Council. Ambition of Polish Presidency is to strengthen the territorial dimension in cohesion policy after 2013 - as expressed by a motto: *Cohesion Policy as the effective and territorially diversified answer to developmental challenges*. The Warsaw Regional Forum is going to be one of the official conferences organized during that period of time in Poland. Conclusions reached during the discussion will become part of a support base making the best use of factual knowledge to deal with the Presidency tasks, especially as pertains to cohesion policy and to some of sectoral policies too.

**Warsaw Regional Forum 2011 is a scientific support
of Polish EU Presidency.**



General Program

19.10.11 (Wednesday)	
8 ⁰⁰	Departure from Warsaw for two-day study tour on: <i>Functional regions of Central Poland (optional)</i>
19 ⁰⁰	Reception on the study tour

20.10.11 (Thursday)	
19 ⁰⁰	End of the study tour; arrival to Warsaw

21.10.11 (Friday)	
8 ⁰⁰ –10 ⁰⁰	Registration for the Conference
9 ⁰⁰ –13 ³⁰	Plenary Session
13 ³⁰ –14 ³⁰	Lunch
14 ³⁰ –16 ⁰⁰	Plenary Session
16 ³⁰ –17 ³⁰	Panel Discussion
18 ³⁰	Excursion & Conference Reception

22.10.11 (Saturday)	
9 ⁰⁰ –14 ⁰⁰	Parallel Sessions
14 ⁰⁰ –15 ⁰⁰	Lunch
15 ⁰⁰ –17 ³⁰	Parallel Sessions
17 ³⁰ –18 ⁰⁰	Closing of the Forum

23.10.11 (Sunday)	
Departure of participants	

Study tour – *Functional regions of Central Poland*

A study trip before the Conference will provide a possibility to visit the examples of functional regions in Central Poland. The programme prepared by the organizers will include, among others visiting places such as: the unique Żyrardów town (the nineteenth-century center of linen production), a section of A2 motorway being now constructed, one of the most valuable environmentally forest complexes in Poland – the Kampinos National Park, mining region Koło0Konin-Turek, as well as the place of birth of Fryderyk Chopin – Żelazowa Wola (2010 witnessed a celebration of 200th birth anniversary of that world-famous composer) and finally a quiet relaxation in the recently discovered thermal springs in Uniejów. The study trip will offer opportunity for seeing an exceptional character of the Polish landscape and beauty of its towns and villages.

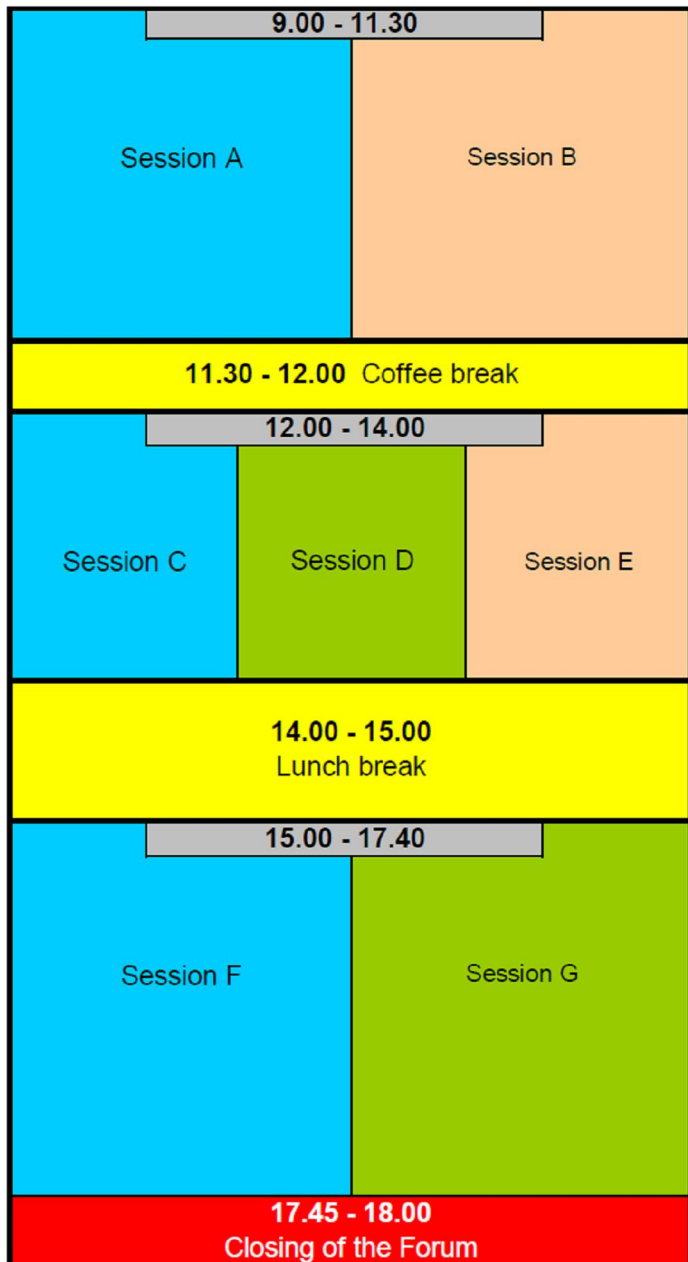
All Participants taking part in the Study Tour are asked to take swimsuit with them!

GENERAL PROGRAMME

21.10.2011, Friday



22.10.2011, Saturday



21.10.2011 - Friday**First Plenary Session****9.00 – 11.00**

9.00-9.30	Marek Degórski, Jerzy Bański, Tadeusz Markowski, Representative of the Ministry of Regional Development	Opening of the Warsaw Regional Forum 2011
9.30-9.55	Ron Boschma	Regional innovation policy based on branching
9.55-10.20	Michael Woods	Developing Europe's Rural Regions in the Era of Globalization
10.20-10.45	Vladimir Kolossov	The vision of Europe and the space of flows (the case of BRIC)

10.45-11.00 Discussion**11.00-11.30 Coffee break****Special Plenary Session – “Polish Presidency in EU”****11.30 – 13.30**

11.30-12.00	Magdalena Zagrzejewska	Towards policy integration on the territorial level – ambitious of the Polish Presidency
12.00-12.15	Jacek Zaucha	How to strengthen the territorial dimension of “Europe 2020” and EU Cohesion Policy – Polish Presidency Background Report presentation
12.15-12.30	Tomasz Komornicki, Dariusz Świątek	How to strengthen the territorial dimension of “Europe 2020” and EU Cohesion Policy – Polish Presidency Background Report – case studies
12.30-12,45	Tadeusz Markowski	Territorial dimension of integrative development policy – expectation and challenges towards planning and institutional system
12.45-13.00	Roman Szul	Current Challenges to EU's Cohesion: Economic, Political, Cultural

13.00 – 13.30 Discussion**13.30 – 14.30 Lunch****Second Plenary Session****14.30 – 16.00**

14.30-14.55	Sebastian Lentz	Producing Peripheries- from spaces to processes
14.55-15.20	Tomas Hanell	Trapped between concentration and cohesion? – Overcoming the dichotomous nature of strategic spatial development within the BSR
15.20-15.45	Giancarlo Cotella	The Engagement of Central and Eastern European Actors with the European Spatial Planning Debate. Time to Make a Difference?

15.45-16.00 Discussion**16.00-16.30 Coffee break**

16.30-17.30 Panel – *“Functional regions – towards a new paradigm of territorial and cohesion policy”*

18.00-24.00**Excursion & Conference Reception**

22.10.2011 - Saturday**First parallel session (A) “Urban” – parallel to B****9.00 – 11.30**

9.00-9.20	Ewa Korcelli-Olejniczak	Warsaw Region as a European Metropolitan Region – concepts and potential
9.20-9.40	Shunichiro Yamamoto	Expansion of Kyoto city’s traditional crafts sector into overseas markets
9.40-10.00	Jan Hanusin	Urban and Rural Cultural Landscape in the Bratislava Functional Urban Region
10.00-10.20	Donatas Burneika	Peculiarities of spatial transformations of Vilnius urban region
10.20-10.40	Grzegorz Węclawowicz	Toward a competitive and attractive post-industrial cities of Central Europe, in the light of the ReNewTown project
10.40-11.00	Raigo Ernits	Transformation of functionality of small towns during post-socialist transition in Estonia

11.00-11.30 Discussion**11.30-12.00 Coffee break****Second parallel session (B) “SPACE-Net 1” – parallel to A****9.00 – 11.30**

9.00-9.25	Olaf Bastian	Supporting Regional Development by means of Ecosystem Services – Fundamentals and Applications
9.25-9.50	Marek Degórski	Quality of Life and Ecosystem Services in Rural-Urban Regions
9.50-10.15	Balázs Duray	Territorial Potentials of a Green Economy
10.15-10.40	Borislav Stojkov	Functional Regions in Serbia and Priority of Eco-Services
10.40-11.05	Wolfgang Wende	Ecosystem Services and Landscape Governance – Empirical Results on how to Integrate Social Factors into Ecological Planning

11.05-11.30 Discussion**11.30-12.00 Coffee break**

Third parallel session (C) “National issues” – parallel to D, E**12.00 – 14.00**

12.00-12.20	Emmanuelle Boulineau	Bulgaria between Competitiveness and Cohesion: "FDI, Structural Funds and, Regional Disparities in a CEEC"
12.20-12.40	Svitlana Pysarenko, Marta Malska	The structuring of national economic space of Ukraine as a basis for the improvement of its territorial and administrative arrangements
12.40-13.00	Valeriy Korepanov	Post-war Italy in the policy framework of European integration process
13.00-13.20	Diana Dogaru, Nicoleta Damian	Mapping the socioeconomic potentials of Romania. A preliminary approach to country's vulnerabilities and adaptive capacity to global environmental change
13.20-13.40	Malgorzata Leśniak-Johann, Andrzej Raczyk	Competitiveness of the borderlands on the Polish-German example

13.40-14.00 Discussion**14.00 – 15.00 Lunch****Fourth parallel session (D) “Functional Regions” – parallel to C, E****12.00 – 14.00**

12.00-12.20	Marija Bogataj	Decision making about number and areas of functional regions
12.20-12.40	Toivo Muilu	Regional strategic programme as a tool for developing regional competitiveness – a case study from Northern Finland
12.40-13.00	Mirosław Grochowski	Development of Lagging Regions in the Context of Functional Region's Paradigm
13.00-13.20	Eva Perger, Andrea Suvak	Dilemmas of Managing Functional Regions from the Aspects of Decentralization Processes in CEE Countries
13.20-13.40	Margarita Ilieva	Functional regions in Bulgaria

13.40-14.00 Discussion**14.00 – 15.00 Lunch****Fifth parallel session (E) “SPACE-Net 2” – parallel to C, D****12.00 – 14.00**

12.00-12.25	Jerzy Solon	Ecosystem services – ecological concept or communication tools
12.25-12.50	Imre Nagy	Environmental Problems of Western Balkan, Focusing on Cross-Border Risk
12.50-13.15	Igor Kyselka	Lower Morava River Basin – A Sustainable Development Program for Cross Border Region
13.15-13.40	Andras Donat Kovacs	Regional Development Possibilities Focusing on Environmental Issues along the Serbian – Hungarian Cross-Border Region

13.40-14.00 Discussion**14.00 – 15.00 Lunch**

Sixth parallel session (F) “*Innovation and Linkages*” – parallel to G

15.00 – 17.40

15.00-15.20	Gilles Lepasant	The territorial dimension of innovation: what can be expected from clusters?
15.20-15.40	Krzysztof Janc	Cyberspace vs. real space - webometric analysis of self-governments websites
15.40-16.00	Justin Kadi, Hans Kramar	Implementing the Concept of Relational Polycentricity: Functional and Institutional Relations of CEE Capital Cities
16.00-16.20	Melinda Smaho	Knowledge as Production Factor in the Vehicle Industry
16.20-16.40	Vladimír Székely, Daniel Michniak	From town to town: interurban commuting flows in Slovakia
16.40-17.00	Piotr Rosik, Wojciech Pomianowski	Evaluating potential-based accessibility of spatial units. From closed to open model
17.00-17.20	Sergey Tarkhov	Motorway network’s growth in China

17.20 – 17.40 Discussion

Seventh parallel session (G) “*Locality*” – parallel to F

15.00 – 17.40

15.00-15.20	Bálint Csatári	Transitions between urban and rural spaces (Hungarian examples)
15.20-15.40	Sylvia Dolzblasz	Transborder relations at the local level in the Polish-German borderland
15.40-16.00	Robert Buciak, Marek Pieniążek	Spatial classification of rural areas in Poland
16.00-16.20	Cecilia Mezei	Towards a new paradigm of Local Economic Development: new challenges, new practices
16.20-16.40	Katarzyna Piskorek, Giancarlo Cotella	Making things happen. How spatial planning tools can make a difference in the implementation of local transformations
16.40-17.00	Lech Haydukiewicz	Ethnic minority regions in the light of the cohesion policies. Case study: Poland and Lithuania.
17.00-17.20	Ákos Bodor	Cohesion Policy in the mirror of social values

17.20-17.40 Discussion

17.45-18.00

Closing of the Forum

Useful information

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Conference venue

The Institute of Geography and Spatial Organization, Polish Academy of Sciences
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Lunches and Conference Reception

Restaurant "Mystic", Twarda 51/55 – in the building of the Institute (Lunches)
Restaurant "Chmielna", Chmielna 132/134 – 100 meters from the Institute (Reception)

Papers

We would like to ask You to prepare the whole version of Your article till **15th of November 2011** because of publication process. We are planning to prepare two or three volumes of *Geographia Polonica & EUROPA XXI* journals. Papers should have no more than 15 pages according to detailed editing information send to You at the beginning of August.

Transport information

Airport – Hotel

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Airport – Hotel

The same possibilities, cost of the taxi – around 40 PLN (10 euro), municipal bus (No 175) travel time – 25 minutes, from bus stop (**Plac Starynkiewicza**) to the Institute - about 300 m of walk.

Railway station (Warszawa Centralna) – Institute/Hotel

From railway station to the Institute is only 500 m of walk or one tram stop (tram stop: **Plac Starynkiewicza**). From railway station to hotel is about 900 m (10 minutes of walk) or two tram stops (tram stop: **Plac Zawiszy**). Taxi – the cost of journey should be around 12 PLN (3 euro; during the nights and weekends +50%). Please rather do not use the independent taxies. You can use **each tram** (five lines) that goes in the direction to **Plac Zawiszy** (cost of the ticket also 3.6 złoty ≈ 0.8 euro).

Hotel – Institute

From hotel to the Institute is only 300 m of walk.

Location of hotel and Institute

