

COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

WORKSHOP ON

Simplification in Cohesion Policy

Brussels, 16 March 2016, 15:00-16:30, meeting room: ASP A1G-3

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Indicative

- 15:00 **Introduction by Ms Iskra Mihailova**
Chair of the Committee on Regional Development
- 15:05 **Simplified Cost Options in Practice**
Mr. Roland Blomeyer, Director, Blomeyer & Sanz
- 15:13 **E-Cohesion**
Ms Herta Tödtling-Schönhofer, METIS GmbH
- 15:21 **Is simplification simply a fiction?**
Rules, guidance and audit processes
Prof. John Bachtler, Head, European Policies Research Centre,
University of Strathclyde
- Perspectives of Member States:**
- 15:29 **France: How to reduce the administrative burden on beneficiaries in a constrained environment**
Ms. Chantal Moreau, Director of European Programmes,
Regional Council Auvergne Rhône-Alpes
- 15:37 **Poland: Less procedures, more performance**
What should we focus on when thinking of cohesion policy implementation
Mr. Paweł Chorąży, Under Secretary of State and
Director in the Ministry of Regional Development
- 15:45 Debate with the Members of the Committee on Regional Development with the participation of Mr Moray Gilland, Head of the Better Implementation Unit, DG REGIO, European Commission and Mr Thomas Wobben, Director, Legislative Works COTER – ECON - SEDEC, Committee of the Regions