

Seminar "Demographic change : Challenge and opportunity for local and regional authorities"

Draft programme



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Target audience

Members of the CEMR working groups on employment and social affairs and on cohesion and territorial policy, representatives of local authorities members of AFCCRE

9:30 am : Registration

9:45 am : Opening of the seminar

by **Vincent LEDOUX**, Vice-president in charge of international relations, Lille Métropole

Introduction

Demographic trends in Europe and impact on cohesion, **Gabriella FESUS**, DG Regio, European Commission

Demographic ageing and policy responses in France, **Emmanuel BERGER**, Ministry for Employment, member of the European Commission's expert group on demography

Opportunities, access and solidarity within an ageing society : challenges and responses of the European Union, **Detlef GERHARDT**, DG Employment and Social Affairs, European Commission

11:00 am : The impact of demographic change for regional and local authorities

Session animated by a representative of the Regional Council of Nord-Pas-de-Calais (to be confirmed)

Session 1 : How are social and health care services adapting to demographic change

This session will aim to explore the implications of an ageing population for local/regional public services, in particular social and health care services, in terms of changing demands, financial and human resources constraints, etc. CEMR members will present good practice examples of initiatives aimed to cope with these challenges and to make services more responsive to the needs of an ageing population.

The EQUAL project "people at people's services", Pays de Gâtine, **Pascale BOUET**, Conseil Général des Deux Sèvres

About the World Health Organization project "Older friendly cities": the example of Lille, **Marie CAULI**, Lecturer, anthropologist

Preventive services for the elderly and the development of quality standards, **Hannele HÄKKINEN**, Director of Brussels Office, Association of Finnish Local and Regional Authorities

The Local Governments Association's "Fair Care" campaign, **Trish O'FLYNN**, LGA, United Kingdom

12:30 am : Lunch (room/salle de réception)

2:00 pm : Continuation session

Session animated by **Christophe MOREUX**, Director of territorial policies, AFCCRE

Session 2 : What implications in terms of urban planning, opportunities of territorial development ?

This session will look at the territorial dimension of demographic change by presenting regional and local strategies in this field. Demographic trends and the ageing of the population have to be taken into account when designing and implementing initiatives on economic growth, transport, social cohesion, regeneration, etc. at regional and local level.

The work of the SEN@ER network, and actions at the regional level, **Gérard VANDENBROUCKE**, Vice-President, Regional Council of Limousin

The observatory on demographic change in the province of Pordenone, **Ines RUBINO**, Province de Pordenone (Italy)

Economic and social impact of ageing on local authorities : innovating solutions, **Laurence ROBART**, Conseil Général du Nord

Growth, quantity and quality: choices in local demographic policies in Southern Netherlands, **Peter M. BERTHOLET**, Municipality of Parkstad (The Netherlands)

Expertise centre of risk, **Catherine SZTAL-KUTAS**, General Director of Calyxis

A city for all ages: Edinburgh's Joint Plan for Older People, **Elfreda WHITTY**, Brussels office of COSLA (Convention of Scottish Local Authorities)

Debate

4:00 pm : Conclusions

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