

# Interregional Conference of Innovative Actions Cooperation and Networking

## AGENDA

Patras, 29 - 31 March 2004

PATRAS PALACE HOTEL

*(The conference will be in Greek with parallel translation in English)*

### 28 MARCH, SUNDAY

- Arrival of participants

### 29 MARCH, MONDAY

09.45-10.15      *Registration and welcome (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- **Konstantinos VALLINDRAS**, Director of Regional Development Fund of Western Greece
- **Efstathios PAPACHRISTOPOULOS**, Representative of Region of Western Greece
- **Dimitris KATSIKOPOULOS**, Prefect of Achaia
- **Dimitrios STAMATIS**, Prefect of Aitoloakarnania
- **Panagiotis DIMITROULOPOULOS**, Prefect of Helia

10.15-11.45      *Regional Development & Innovation in Europe (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- **Robert SHOTTON**, DG Regio, Acting Director
- **Labrini YALABOUKIDOU**, Committee of The Regions
- **Issi SARAGOSSI**, Director DG Research, RTD & Investments
- **Christos BEZIRTZOGLU**, DG Regio, ERDF Innovative Actions (Greece)
- **Lampros PYRGIOTIS**, National Delegate of Greece in the Research & Innovation Committee FP6 (2002-2006)
- **Nasos SOFOS**, DG Regio, The Baltic States (Enlargement)
- **Radu Popescu ZELETIN**, Focus Berlin for Open Communications Systems
- **Ioannis SYROS**, SEPE, General Director
- **Spyros TRACHANIS**, National Bank of Greece, Investment Director
- **Kiriakos OIKONOMIDIS**, Telepassport, General Director

### Discussion

11.45-12.00      *Coffee*

12.00-14.30      *Brief presentation of Innovative Actions in Western Greece Region – The outcomes - The evaluation (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- **Action 1.1**, **Theodore PAPTAEODOROU**, University of Patras
- **Action 1.2**, **Trifonas FOTOPOULOS**, Achaia Chamber of Commerce
- **Action 2.1**, **Aggelos AGGELOPOULOS**, Helia Chamber of Commerce

- **Action 2.2,** **Panagiotis TSICHRITZIS,** Aeteloakarnania Chamber of Commerce
- **Action 2.3,** **Panagiotis KONSTANTINOPOULOS,** Business Innovation Centre of Patras
- **Action 3.1,** **Anthony TZES,** University of Patras
- **Action 3.2,** **Georgios PAPPOUS,** Institute of Biomedical Technology
- **Action 3.3,** **Vassilis KAPSALIS,** Industrial Systems Institute
- **Action 4.1, &4.3** **Stavroula KONSTANTINIDOU,** National Agricultural Research & Foundation / Plant Protection Institute of Patras
- **Action 4.2,** **George KONSTANTINIDIS,** Foundation for Research and Technology / Institute of Chemical Engineering and High Temperature Chemical Processes
- **Action 4.4,** **Gerasimos KARANTINOS,** Agroenvironmental Network of Western Greece of Organic Producers
- **Evaluation** **Andreas DROUGAS,** LAMANS S.A.

## Discussion

**14.30-15.30** *Light lunch*

**15.30-17.30** *Innovation examples/results from the Regions – (a) the different approaches, (b) linking Innovative Actions and Regional Operational Programmes (Panel: Ch. Bezirtzoglou, K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- **ARI-ACT (D. KARIDIS,** Technology Manager of BIC Attikis, Region of Attica)
- **CRINNO (K. STRATARIDAKIS,** Programme Manager, Region of Crete)
- **ENTI (K. FILIPPOU,** Director of BIC Ipirou, Region of Epirus)
- **EXCELLENCE (Representative of Region of C. Macedonia)**
- **INN•ACT (S. MICHOS,** Programme Manager, Region of Western Greece)
- **INNOVATION (P. KARAMANOS,** Management Unit ROP, Region of Ionian Islands)
- **INVENT (A. PAPPIS,** Director of Regional Development Fund, Region of Thessaly)
- **ISTOS (S. ZYGIARIS,** Member of Steering Committee, Region of S. Aegean)
- **K-CLUSTERS (G. KALTERIMTZIS,** Management Unit ROP, Region of W. Macedonia)
- **NAIAS (D. SKALKOS,** Consultant, Region of N. Aegean)
- **RIPE (A. ANDRIKOPOULOU,** Project Manager, Region of Peloponnese)
- **RISE (N. KONSOLAS,** Prof. of Pantion University, Region of Sterea Ellada)
- **TECHNOGENESIS (L. PYRGIOTIS,** Performance Manager, Acting Coordinator of the Steering Committee, Region of E. Macedonia & Thrace)

**17.30-18.00** *The future of Regional Programmes of Innovative Actions (Round table: Ch. Bezirtzoglou, L. Pyrgiotis, G. Bakouros, N. Konsolas, K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

**18.00-18.15** *Coffee*

**18.15-18.45** *Regional networking for innovation (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

## The experience of the European Innovation Networks

- Representative from the ERIK Network, **Michal MIEDZINSKI**

- Representative from the IANIS Network, **Mathias MUELLER**
- Network of Innovating Regions in Europe IRE, **Jaime MOLL DE ALBE CABOT**

### **Restricted meeting**

**18.45-19.30** *Regional networking for innovation (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

#### **The establishment of the Greek Innovation Network**

- **Procedures and legal status of the Greek Innovation Network (Konstantinos VALLINDRAS, Director of Regional Development Fund of Western Greece)**
- **Regional benefits and funding of the Greek Innovation Network (Anastasios PAPPIS, Director of Regional Development Fund of Thessaly)**
- **Action Plan and Presentation of the Memorandum for the Greek Innovation Network (Anna ANDRICOPOULOU, Project Manager RIPE)**
- **International co-operation & networking for innovation (Nikolas PETROPOULOS, Head International Relations, Region of Western Greece)**

**21.00** *Dinner*

### **30 MARCH, TUESDAY**

**Strategic Theme 1:** Regional economies based on knowledge and technological innovation

**09.30-11.30** *Focus on Transfer of Innovation to Enterprises (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- "Innovation exploitation and promotion of competitiveness in the Region of C. Macedonia"  
**ATEI of Western Macedonia, Prof. Anastasios ALEXANDRIDIS**
- "Presentation from the Region of Crete"  
**Representative of Region of Crete**
- "Innovation Learning Networks"  
**Region of Thessaly, Prof. Giannis BAKOUROS**
- Discussion

**11.30-11.45** *Coffee*

**11.45-13.45** *Focus on Clusters (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- "Building Clusters for the Knowledge-based economy: the role of EU Research and Development Policy"  
**EC DG Research - Clusters, Dimitris CORPAKIS**
- "Innovative Support plan for the SMEs and the improvement of the competitiveness"  
**Region of Sterea Ellada, Prof. Athanasios PAPANASKALOPOULOS**

- “West Macedonia: K-Clusters Project”  
**Region of W. Macedonia, Yiannis FALLAS**
- Discussion

**13.45-14.45**      *Light lunch*

**Strategic Theme 2:** e-EuropeRegio: the information society at the service of regional development

**14.45-16.45**      *Focus on e-Health Services (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- “EU Policy on e-Health”  
**EC DG Info Society, Octavian PURCAREA**
- “Technological system for pre-trauma patient treatment”  
**PESYP DE, Ilias LAMPIRIS & University of Patras, Anthony TZES**
- “Digital tools in the prevention of the diseases”  
**Hellenic Medical Association for Technology & Informatics, John KAFEZAS**
- “Home telcare system (e-Health)”  
**Representative from the Regional Programme of Attica**
- Discussion

**16.45-17.00**      *Coffee*

**17.00-19.00**      *Focus on e-business (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- “E-business opportunities and trends”  
**Athens University of Economics & Business, Nancy POULOUDI**
- “An innovative e-commerce portal for Lesvos Prefecture”  
**Cooperative Bank of Lesvos, Thrasyvoulos KALOGRIDIS**
- “E-commerce and information management”  
**Region of Epirus, Vasilis ZOTOS**
- Discussion

**21.00**      *Dinner*

**31 MARCH, WEDNESDAY**

**Strategic Theme 2:** e-EuropeRegio: the information society at the service of regional development

**09.30-11.00**      *Focus on e-Government in the Regional Context  
(Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos, G. Metakides)*

- "EU Policy on e-Government"  
**DG Information Society – e-Government, Athanasios CHRISAFIS**
- "Modernisation levels in Greek Public Administration: technology in citizen's service"  
**University of Patras, Athanasios TSAKALIDIS**
- "Presentation of a Region of Lombardia"  
**Regione Lombardia, Giampaolo AMADORI**
- "Presentation of a Region of Romania"  
**Romania Academy, Lucretia MAIORESCU**
- Discussion

**Strategic Theme 3:** Regional identity and sustainable development

**11.00-12.20**      *Focus on **Food** (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- "EU Policy on Food"  
**EC DG Enterprise – Food Industry, Andreas MENIDIATIS**
- "Action Business Plan for the promotion of the traditional products"  
**Region of Peloponnese, Dimitrios KERANIS**
- "Organic farming in RWG: Results of a study"  
**NAGREF / Patras Plant Protection Institute, Stavroula KONSTANTINIDOU**
- Discussion

**12.20-12.35**      *Coffee*

**12.35-14.00**      *Focus on **Tourism** (Panel: K. Vallindras, S. Michos, N. Petropoulos)*

- "EU Policy on Tourism"  
**EC DG Enterprise - Tourism, Jean-Francois OMNES**
- "Responsibility labelling for SMEs – an innovative toolbox"  
**University of Aegean, Pavlos DOIKOS**
- "Innovative IT applications for the tourism sector of the Ionian Islands"  
**Computer Technology Institute of Western Greece, Andreas KOSKERIS**
- "Ecotourism in Peloponnese"  
**Region of Peloponnese, Dimitris KALLES**
- Discussion

**14.00-15.00**      *Light lunch*  
**End of Conference**