A European Urban Agenda - for and with cities

Joint EUROCITIES - CEMR seminar

Monday 17 February, 9:00 - 12:30
Charlemagne, Rue de la Loi 170, 1000 Brussels

This seminar takes place in the framework of the European Commission’s event Cities of Tomorrow - Investing in Europe. It will provide input into the debate on the European urban agenda from a local perspective.

Draft programme

9:00 - 10:30 Do we need a European Urban Agenda? Debate on the purpose, the objectives, added value and desired impact of a European Urban Agenda from a local perspective

In the first session of the seminar, European Commissioner for Regional and Urban Policy, Johannes Hahn, will present his ideas for a European Urban Agenda. This will be followed up by CEMR and EUROCITIES Presidents providing their views from a local perspective on the purpose, the objectives and added value of such an agenda. Active discussions, including on the role of cities in delivering an Urban Agenda, will continue with other city networks and the audience in general.

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:30: Urban strengths and challenges: which priorities for a European Urban Agenda?

The second session will invite local politicians to present a few main strengths and challenges from their cities. Based on practical experiences, they will make the link to EU policies and programmes, outlining what cities need from the EU to ensure successful delivery of policies on the ground. The session will focus on an integrated approach to policy implementation managed by cities on the ground.

An updated programme for the seminar will be available in January 2014. In the meantime, registration for the seminar is possible here: http://www.cvent.com/d/j4qlh0/4W