EUROPEAN WEEK of
Regions & Cities



The right to stay: keeping our mountains alive, dynamic, accessible and inhabited

October 13, 2.00 pm

Nordic House
Rue du Luxembourg 3, 1000 Bruxelles

Following the launch of the European Mountain Pact, which calls for the specific needs of mountain regions to be integrated into all European policies and programmes, the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region organizes an interactive policy debate on the right to stay in mountain areas. Ensuring the vitality of these territories requires targeted measures to support the local economy and quality of life, especially for young people who wish to stay or settle there. The debate will bring together regions and cities with different mountain areas to highlight regional and cross-border initiatives demonstrating the importance of sustained EU financial support for mountain development.

01.30 pm Welcome coffee

02.00 – 02.10 pm Introduction:

Welcoming word by Elsa Ferreira Nunes, IrRADIARE, CEO

Introduction by Hortense LUTZ-HERMELLIN, Delegate of Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region in Brussels

Keynote speak by Laura GASCON HERRERO, President of Euromontana

02.10 – 03.10 pm Panel:

Moderation by Laura GASCON HERRERO, President of Euromontana

02.10 pm 1st political sequence

What are the main challenges your mountain territory is currently facing?

- Lucian OVIDIU MICU, Administrator, NEAMT COUNTY Council
- Leonardo LOTTO, Minister, Valle d'Aosta Autonomous Region
- Laura D'ORLANDO, Deputy Mayor, Municipality of Tolmezzo
- Isabel Cristina FERNANDES RODRIGUES FERREIRA, Mayor, Municipality of Bragança

02.35 pm Technical sequence - *Good practices in action*

- Projects VELO MALOPOLSKA and Cultural sheep grazing, Renata JASIOLEK,Head of Unit, Malopolska Region
- INTERREG ALCOTRA project ProAlp, Julie MARIDET, Project Officer, Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region

02.45 pm 2nd political sequence - *Which concrete actions would you like to see included in the upcoming European Strategy on the Right to Stay?*

- Isabel Cristina FERNANDES RODRIGUES FERREIRA, Mayor, Municipality of Bragança
- Laura D'ORLANDO, Deputy Mayor, Municipality of Tolmezzo
- Leonardo LOTTO, Minister, Valle d'Aosta Autonomous Region
- Lucian OVIDIU MICU, Administrator, NEAMT COUNTY Council

03.10 pm Conclusions:

03.10 pm: Q&A with the audience
03.25 pm: Concluding remarks by Diletta ZONTA, Team Leader at the European Commission DG REGIO
03.30 pm: End of the event and networking session

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