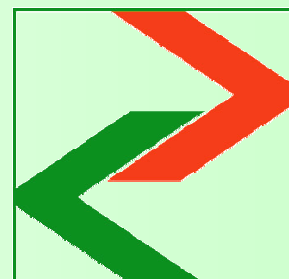


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 Comunità di lavoro delle regioni europee di confine (AGEG)  
 Europæiske grænseregioners Arbejdsfællesskab (AGEG)  
 Werkgemeenschap van Europese grensgebieden (WVEG)  
 Associação das Regiões Fronteiriças Europeias (ARFE)  
 Σύνδεσμος Ευρωπαϊκών Συνοριακών Περιφερειών (ΣΕΣΠ)  
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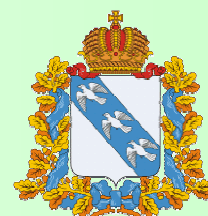
## AEBR NEWSFLASH - MAY / JUNE 2011

### ***AEBR General Assembly and Annual Conference***

***40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the AEBR***

***Kursk, Euroregion Yaroslavna***

***22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> September 2011***



The motto of this year's Annual Conference of AEBR will be "**Pan-European Cross-Border Cooperation: the European Union, the Russian Federation and the Neighbourhood and Pre-Accession countries**". All members and friends of AEBR are cordially invited to attend this event in Kursk, which will also be an anniversary event, celebrating 40 years of AEBR! The event week will start with a forum on "Border Policies and Cross-border cooperation in the EU and the Russian Federation", which will be held in Moscow, hosted by the *EU delegation in the Russian Federation, the Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Russian Federal Agency for Border Issues (Rosgranitsa)*. Highranking representatives from the EU and the Russian Federation have been invited to address the audience. After the forum and the city tour, participants of the AEBR General Assembly and Annual Conference will travel to Kursk by night train. During the Conference days, partners of the conference delegates have the chance to get to know Russia's oldest biosphere reserve and the Marjino Palace. Detailed information is available on the AEBR website, following the below given link.



Red Square in Moscow, Source: M. Guillermo

**AEBR General Assembly and Annual Conference 2011  
 in Kursk/Russia, Euroregion Yaroslavna**

**Detailed programme and practical information:**

[http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events\\_detail.php?event\\_id=79](http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events_detail.php?event_id=79)

### **EVENT PROGRAMME**

**Wednesday, 21st September 2011,**

**Moscow:**

Forum: "Border Policies and Cross-border cooperation in the EU and the Russian Federation"

**Thursday, 22nd September 2011, Kursk:**

AEBR Executive Committee Meeting  
 AEBR General Assembly  
 Public session: Case of the Host  
 Workshops

**Friday, 23rd September 2011, Kursk:**

AEBR Annual Conference 2011

- Plenary Session I: Political Round Table "EU TERRITORIAL POLICY AND EASTERN PARTNERSHIP: CHALLENGES"
- 40 Years AEBR - Anniversary Ceremony
- AEBR Award "Sail of Papenburg 2011"
- Plenary Session II: Political Round Table "OPPORTUNITIES AT THE EXTERNAL BORDERS OF THE EU AND BEYOND"
- Final Session
- Closing Ceremony

**Saturday, 24th September 2011**

Visits

**Working Languages:**

**Russian, English, French, German, Spanish**



**16 June 2011, Brussels: Mini summit of European Commission President Barroso and Presidents of Associations representing Regional and Local Authorities**



Source: CoR

AEBR President Karl-Heinz Lambertz participated in the meeting of European Commission President José Manuel Barroso and the Presidents of European associations representing local and regional authorities.

The joint press release of the associations, as well as the local press release published by the German-Speaking Community of Belgium, is available in 6 languages following this link: [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=89](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=89).

The common message of the Presidents can be found there as well, being three main recommendations made to President Barroso:

- A real partnership between all levels of governance to design and implement the EU 2020 Strategy.
- A fair part of the budget should be allocated to Cohesion Policy, promoting the principle of Territorial Cohesion, and simplifying procedures of the Structural Funds.
- New and more efficient solutions based on the Principle of Solidarity, stressing the cohesion elements in the Neighbourhood Policy.

Please find more detailed information on recent debates on Territorial Cohesion (conditionality, macroregions, "intermediate" regions, outermost areas, etc.) in our website: [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=91](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=91)

The **video of the speech of Johannes Hahn, European Commissioner for Regional Policy**, held on 22 October 2010 in Dundalk/East Border Region (Ireland/Northern Ireland) on the occasion of the AEBR Annual Conference 2011, is now available online at: [http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events\\_detail.php?event\\_id=58](http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events_detail.php?event_id=58).

**CROSS-BORDER HEALTH**

Symposium "Cross-Border Cooperation of German and Dutch Hospitals", 22 June 2011, Nimwegen/The Netherlands

EUREGIO II 5th Project Partner meeting, 30-31 May 2011, Sofia/Bulgaria

E-health week in Budapest, 10-12 May 2011

Patient Power: The EU should make the most of the benefits presented by eHealth Systems, which range from improved patient care to economic efficiency.... (read full article: <http://viewer.zmags.com/publication/dc2ee27c#dc2ee27c/31>)

The Committee of the Regions' Technical Platform for Cooperation in Health issues met on 24th May in Brussels, dealing mainly with e-Health issues and the effects of the EU Directive.

The summer issue of Euro Observer looks at the factors that influence health professional mobility between the countries of Europe. Case studies on Germany, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Spain and the United Kingdom provide details on each country's health professional mobility profile, impacts on the health care system and government policy responses. Full text available for download at: [http://www.euro.who.int/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0006/145158/EuroObserver-Summer-2011\\_web.pdf](http://www.euro.who.int/data/assets/pdf_file/0006/145158/EuroObserver-Summer-2011_web.pdf)

(Source: Euro Observer, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies).

**PROCEEDINGS of GI2011-X-border-SDI/GDI-Symposium** held on 23 and 24 May 2011 in cross-border Euroregion ELBE/LABE: [http://www.ign-sn.de/GI2011/GI2011+Proceedings\\_v5\\_final.pdf](http://www.ign-sn.de/GI2011/GI2011+Proceedings_v5_final.pdf). Video Clip of the working BIZBIZ-Tool, presented on 24 May 2011 on the occasion of the GI2011-X-border-SDI: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dHgLSOKZh00&feature=youtu.be>. This is an ultimate tool for online meetings (combining video conference with presentations).

The discussions on the **Multianual Financial Framework (MFF)** before the presentation of the Commission's proposal on 30th June can affect very deeply Territorial Cohesion (read more in [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=92](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=92)).



### AEBR AWARD „SAIL OF PAPENBURG 2011“

#### **How did your region contribute to encourage cross-border cooperation in Europe?**

Border and Cross-Border Regions are invited to apply for this year's cross-border award by submitting projects, programmes, or strategies showing the European added-value of cross-border cooperation.



Deadline for applications:  
**31 July 2011.**

Application documents and information on winners of previous awards can be found following this link:

[http://www.aebr.eu/en/sail\\_of\\_papenburg/region\\_award.php](http://www.aebr.eu/en/sail_of_papenburg/region_award.php).

### ACCESSION

Most remaining chapters are being satisfactory closed in the ongoing accession process of **Croatia** to the EU (read more in [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=95](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=95)).

#### **AEBR Executive Committee meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> June 2011 in Gotse Delchev, Euroregion Nestos-Mesta, Bulgaria**

On invitation of *Euroregion Nestos-Mesta*, the Executive Committee of the AEBR met in **Gotse Delchev** to discuss about the latest developments of the European Territorial Cohesion, the budget of the Union, proposed conditionalities and other topics of interest for European border regions. Some relevant documents were also presented on Cohesion, Demographic Change, Tourism, etc., including a revised version of the Territorial Agenda. Latest AEBR contacts and position papers (e.g. roaming) and some initiatives to commemorate the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Association were also discussed, particularly in the framework of the 2011 General Assembly and Annual Conference in Kursk (*Euroregion Yaroslavna*, Russian Federation). New members from different parts of Europe are joining the AEBR or are interested in taking part in AEBR activities. On the other hand, new instruments are to be used for a better communication and exchange with members, partners and other stakeholders. To this end, the Association is working to find the best options in order to be implemented as soon as possible. You will find a more comprehensive report of the meeting in Gotse Delchev in: [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=98](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=98).

### NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY

EU institutions discuss on a new Neighbourhood Policy, after systematic failure of the Union to have a common external policy to strengthen its global influence. This should have a growing territorial cooperation element, particularly at the external borders of the Union. The AEBR is following these debates with interest and has activated its partnership with strategic contacts, as several national (particularly Finland, Moldova, Russian and Ukraine) and regional governments, as well as networks (NEEBOR). In the meantime, the EU is developing some interesting proposals to coordinate and make more coherent the support to all actors involved in the Southern Mediterranean, while highlights some priorities in its relationship with Latin American countries and the African Union (read more in [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=93](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=93)).

**Proposals to modify Schengen, migration debates and visa policies with Romania and Bulgaria** are being handled these days by many European actors.

The Members States will probably ask to reform Schengen within this year, and create a safeguard mechanism to be used in exceptional circumstances (read more in [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=94](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=94)).

#### **III AEBR Youth Forum, 8-12 August 2011, Lappeenranta/South Karelia, Finland**

All in all, 167 applications were received for this year's III AEBR Youth Forum. An international jury is now evaluating all applications, and will soon decide on the 25 young people, which will be invited to attend the forum in Lappeenranta. The draft programme is available on [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=82](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=82)



**EVENTS IN THE EU**

DATE/PLACE	TOPIC	INFOS
2 June 2011 Rzeszów, Poland	Conference "Carpathian Horizon 2020 - challenges for the Carpathian Regional Development Agency"	Contact for more information: Strategy and Projects Office, Association of Carpathian Euroregion Poland: <a href="mailto:sekretariat@karpacki.pl">sekretariat@karpacki.pl</a>
6 June 2011 Kehl, Germany	Inauguration of the „Centre Européen de la Consommation“	<a href="http://www.euroinfo-kehl.eu">www.euroinfo-kehl.eu</a>
14 June 2011 Brussels	CoR consultation on „The complementarity of national and EU interventions aimed at reducing the disparities in economic and social growth“	<a href="http://www.cor.europa.eu/pages/EventTemplate.aspx?view=detail&amp;id=f5cb4faf-1612-4795-bdd0-7645f70138f0">http://www.cor.europa.eu/pages/EventTemplate.aspx?view=detail&amp;id=f5cb4faf-1612-4795-bdd0-7645f70138f0</a>
14 June 2011 Brussels	Conference "Innovation for stronger regions: Opportunities for regional actgors in FP7", organised by DG Research and Innovation, and the CoR	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=conferences&amp;eventcode=2C69626C-C60E-11DC-BBFDE7D4E58DE335">http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=conferences&amp;eventcode=2C69626C-C60E-11DC-BBFDE7D4E58DE335</a>
15-16 June 2011 Reims, France	MOT General Assembly	<a href="http://www.espaces-transfrontaliers.org/docdivers/FR_invitation_prg_15_16_juin_MOT.pdf">http://www.espaces-transfrontaliers.org/docdivers/FR_invitation_prg_15_16_juin_MOT.pdf</a>
16 June 2011 Brussels	Working Lunch of Commission President Barroso with the President of the European Regional Organisations	
16 June 2011 Brussels	EurActiv Lunch Debate "Communication Techniques for EU Federations"	<a href="mailto:prdirector@euractiv.com">prdirector@euractiv.com</a>
16 June 2011 Brussels	CoR PES Group and Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) lunchtime debate "Europe's Coming Energy Revolution: Who is in Charge?"	<a href="http://www.pes.cor.europa.eu/feeps2.html">http://www.pes.cor.europa.eu/feeps2.html</a>
16 - 17 June 2011 Bremen, Germany	ARL Congress: Spatial Development in Europe 2020 With Each Other – For Each Other – Against Each Other	<a href="http://www.arl-net.de/wp2011en">http://www.arl-net.de/wp2011en</a>
16 - 17 June 2011 Florence, Italy	International Conference " The Future of Education"	<a href="http://www.refernet.at/index.php/events/vorschau/220-2011-06-16-17-international-conference-the-future-of-education-florence-it">http://www.refernet.at/index.php/events/vorschau/220-2011-06-16-17-international-conference-the-future-of-education-florence-it</a>
21 June 2011 Brussels	Final Conference of the NEEBOR Project "Remove Borders!"	<a href="http://www.neebor.eu">www.neebor.eu</a>
22 June 2011 Nimwegen, The Netherlands	D-NL Symposium "Cross-Border Cooperation of German and Dutch Hospitals"	<a href="mailto:adwars@eurohealthconnect.eu">adwars@eurohealthconnect.eu</a>
22-23 June 2011 Bruges, Belgium	Annual Conference 2011 of the Interreg IVB North Sea Programme	<a href="http://www.northsearegion.eu/ivb/events/show&amp;tid=67">http://www.northsearegion.eu/ivb/events/show&amp;tid=67</a>
23-24 June 2011 Brussels, Belgium	Regions for Economic Change Conference & Regio Stars Awards	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/smart_sustainable/home_en.cfm">http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/smart_sustainable/home_en.cfm</a>
29 June 2011 Brussels	CoR Forum "Industrial Competitiveness: Global challenges, regional responses", Registration Deadline: 27 June 2011	<a href="http://www.cor.europa.eu/pages/EventTemplate.aspx?view=folder&amp;id=3f721c25-81e5-4d06-82ea-fa95140308ed&amp;sm=3f721c25-81e5-4d06-82ea-fa95140308ed">http://www.cor.europa.eu/pages/EventTemplate.aspx?view=folder&amp;id=3f721c25-81e5-4d06-82ea-fa95140308ed&amp;sm=3f721c25-81e5-4d06-82ea-fa95140308ed</a>
6 July 2011 Brussels	ARLEM SUDEV Commission	



**EVENTS IN THE EU**

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8 July 2011 Poreč, Croatia	3rd ARLEM ECOTER Commission	<a href="http://www.cor.europa.eu/arlem">www.cor.europa.eu/arlem</a>
12 July 2011 Warsaw, Poland	UDG & NTCCP meeting	<a href="http://www.mrr.gov.pl">www.mrr.gov.pl</a>
14 July 2011 Brussels	CoR Conference on Innovation for stronger regions: Opportunities for regional actors in FP7	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=conferences&amp;eventcode=2C69626C-C60E-11DC-BBFDE7D4E58DE335">http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=conferences&amp;eventcode=2C69626C-C60E-11DC-BBFDE7D4E58DE335</a>
21-23 July 2011 Pescara, Italy	CALRE Workshop "The dynamics of European regionalism"	<a href="mailto:calre@crabruzzo.it">calre@crabruzzo.it</a>
22-23 July 2011 Tanger, Morocco	Conference on "Regionalisation in the Mediterranean"	<a href="mailto:conseiltt@menara.ma">conseiltt@menara.ma</a>
7 - 9 September 2011 Krynica, Poland	Global Economic Forum	<a href="http://www.forum-ekonomiczne.pl/236">http://www.forum-ekonomiczne.pl/236</a>
22-24 September 2011 Kursk, Russian Federation	AEBR General Assembly and Annual Conference 2011	<a href="http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events_detail.php?event_id=79">http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events_detail.php?event_id=79</a>
10-13 October 2011 Brussels, Belgium	OPEN DAYS 2011 Investing in Europe's future: Regions and cities delivering smart, sustainable and inclusive growths	<a href="http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/od2011/index.cfm?nmenu=1&amp;sub=100">http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/od2011/index.cfm?nmenu=1&amp;sub=100</a>



## NEWS FROM EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS

### EUROPEAN COMMISSION:

- **The Joint Africa-EU Strategy:** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/11/351&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>
- **“Ms or Mr SME”: Small business gets an advocate in each EU Member State:** [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item\\_id=5162&lang=en&tpa=0&displayType=news](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=5162&lang=en&tpa=0&displayType=news)
- **A new and ambitious European Neighbourhood Policy :** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/643&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>
- **Half of young Europeans ready to work abroad:** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/567&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>
- **Digital Agenda: EU Task Force to advise how to promote eHealth to help patients and healthcare systems in Europe:** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/551&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>
- **Transport: Commission to push for pan European passenger rail ticketing:** <http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/534&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>
- **Maritime Affairs and Fisheries: New version of the European Atlas of the Seas now online:** [http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/atlas/maritime\\_atlas/#extent=-25.5\\_26.3\\_52.5\\_72.7&theme=themeGeography.subthemeIMPSeaBasins&=null](http://ec.europa.eu/maritimeaffairs/atlas/maritime_atlas/#extent=-25.5_26.3_52.5_72.7&theme=themeGeography.subthemeIMPSeaBasins&=null)
- **OPEN DAYS 2011: Preliminary Programme online:** [http://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/conferences/od2011/index.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/od2011/index.cfm)
- **Panorama Magazine: Connecting Europe - Transport and regional policy:** [http://ec.europa.eu/regional\\_policy/sources/docgener/panorama/pdf/maq38/maq38\\_en.pdf](http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/sources/docgener/panorama/pdf/maq38/maq38_en.pdf)
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### EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT:

- **MEPs give their views on reintroduction of border checks in Schengen area:** <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/en/pressroom/content/20110506IPR18898/html/MEPs-give-their-views-on-reintroduction-of-border-checks-in-Schengen-area>
- **REGI-News, June 2011:** <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/document/activities/cont/201106/20110615ATT21414/20110615ATT21414EN.pdf>

### HUNGARIAN PRESIDENCY OF THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION:

- **Member States focus on results and growth of the cohesion policy:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/news/member-states-focus-results-and-growth-cohesion-policy>
- **Updated Territorial Agenda, agreed on the Informal Meeting of the Ministers responsible for Territorial Cohesion on 19 May 2011 in Gödöllő, Hungary:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/files/bveu/documents/TA2020.pdf>
- **SMEs need political support:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/news/smes-need-political-support>
- **Roma integration is a common interest:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/news/roma-integration-common-interest>
- **Package of six legislative proposals: Council supports Presidency:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/news/package-six-legislative-proposals-council-supports-presidency>
- **eHealth: New opportunities in healthcare:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/news/ehealth-new-opportunities-healthcare>
- **The Presidency protects Schengen achievements:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/news/eniko-gyori-presidency-protects-schengen-achievements>
- **Enlargement: action needed before it is too late:** <http://www.eu2011.hu/news/enlargement-action-needed-its-too-late>

### COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS:

- **An intermediate category for regions eligible to cohesion policy: Socialists in the Committee of the Regions delighted with the double victory of the progressives in the European Parliament:** [http://www.pes.cor.europa.eu/press\\_110526\\_en.html](http://www.pes.cor.europa.eu/press_110526_en.html)
- **Strengthening Europe's small businesses:** <http://www.cor.europa.eu/pages/PressTemplate.aspx?view=detail&id=500277f9-63fd-4631-bced-7fb52b12a36b>
- **CoR President joins Adriatic Ionian alliance in bid for EU strategy:** <http://www.cor.europa.eu/pages/PressTemplate.aspx?view=detail&id=fb8dc77a-0955-461d-8996-cab4336cf875>

### OTHERS:

- **EESC INFO, Newsletter May and June 2011:** <http://www.eesc.europa.eu/?i=portal.en.eesc-info>
- **Poster competition for early career researchers in European regional policy:** <http://www.regional-studies-assoc.ac.uk/events/2011/opendays/cfp.pdf>

### **Consultations by the European Commission:**

- **Public consultation: Small Business, Big World - A new partnership to help SMEs seize global opportunities (Deadline: 12.07.2011):** [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item\\_id=5119](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=5119)



## NEWS AND PRESENTATIONS OF AEBR MEMBER REGIONS



Jean-Paul Heider, 1st Vice-President of the AEBR from 1997 to 2010, received the **Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany** (*Bundesverdienstkreuz am Bande des Verdienstordens der Bundesrepublik Deutschland*).

More photos of the ceremony are available here: [http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news\\_detail.php?news\\_id=88](http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=88). A press release (in German) is available following this link: <http://www.rp.baden-wuerttemberg.de/servlet/PB/menu/1325539/index.html>

- **AEBR President Karl-Heinz Lambertz, Minister-President of the German-Speaking Community of Belgium, visited the Euroregion Elbe/Labe on 26 May 2011:** <http://www.euroregion-elbe-labe.eu/de/aktuelles/artikelliste/ministerpraesident-lambertz-besuchte-euroregion.html>
- **New President of Regio Basiliensis, Dr. Kathrin Amacker, elected on the occasion of the 48th General Assembly held on 2 May in Pratteln/CH:** [http://www.regbas.ch/d\\_veranstaltungen\\_rueckblick.cfm?Command=Details&ID=730](http://www.regbas.ch/d_veranstaltungen_rueckblick.cfm?Command=Details&ID=730)
- **Eurociudad Badajoz-Elvas: E-book published on** <http://es.scribd.com/doc/56179631/La-eurociudad-Badajoz-Elvas-en-el-suroeste-iberico-y-europeo>
- **Navarra: new e-magazine “Innovamos” published:** <http://www.navarrainnova.com/innovamos44/index.htm>
- **The Nordic Working Group on Globalisation and Cross-border Cooperation has published a paper which gives an overview of the current eleven Nordic Cross-border Cooperation Committees and their work:** <http://www.nordregio.se/inc/openitem.asp?id=123845&nid=2112>
- **New brochure “Almanach Benelux de la cooperation transfrontalière 2011” published:** [http://www.benelux.int/pdf/pdf\\_fr/Almanach\\_2011-2015.pdf](http://www.benelux.int/pdf/pdf_fr/Almanach_2011-2015.pdf)
- **EUREGIO publishes new cross-border map “Gardens and Castles”:** <http://www.euregio.de/cms/publish/content/showpage.asp?pageid=889>

Several presentations of AEBR member regions have been updated in the Database of European Border and Cross-Border Regions in the AEBR Website:



**Euroregion Nestos-Mesta**

[http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member\\_detail.php?region\\_id=143](http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member_detail.php?region_id=143)



**EuRegio Salzburg-Berchtesgadener Land-Traunstein**

[http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member\\_detail.php?region\\_id=81](http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member_detail.php?region_id=81)



**Öresund Committee**

[http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member\\_detail.php?region\\_id=1](http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member_detail.php?region_id=1)



**Castilla y León/Centro**

[http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member\\_detail.php?region\\_id=131](http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member_detail.php?region_id=131)



**Castilla y León/Norte**

[http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member\\_detail.php?region\\_id=130](http://www.aebr.eu/en/members/member_detail.php?region_id=130)



**Regione Autonoma Friuli Venezia Giulia**

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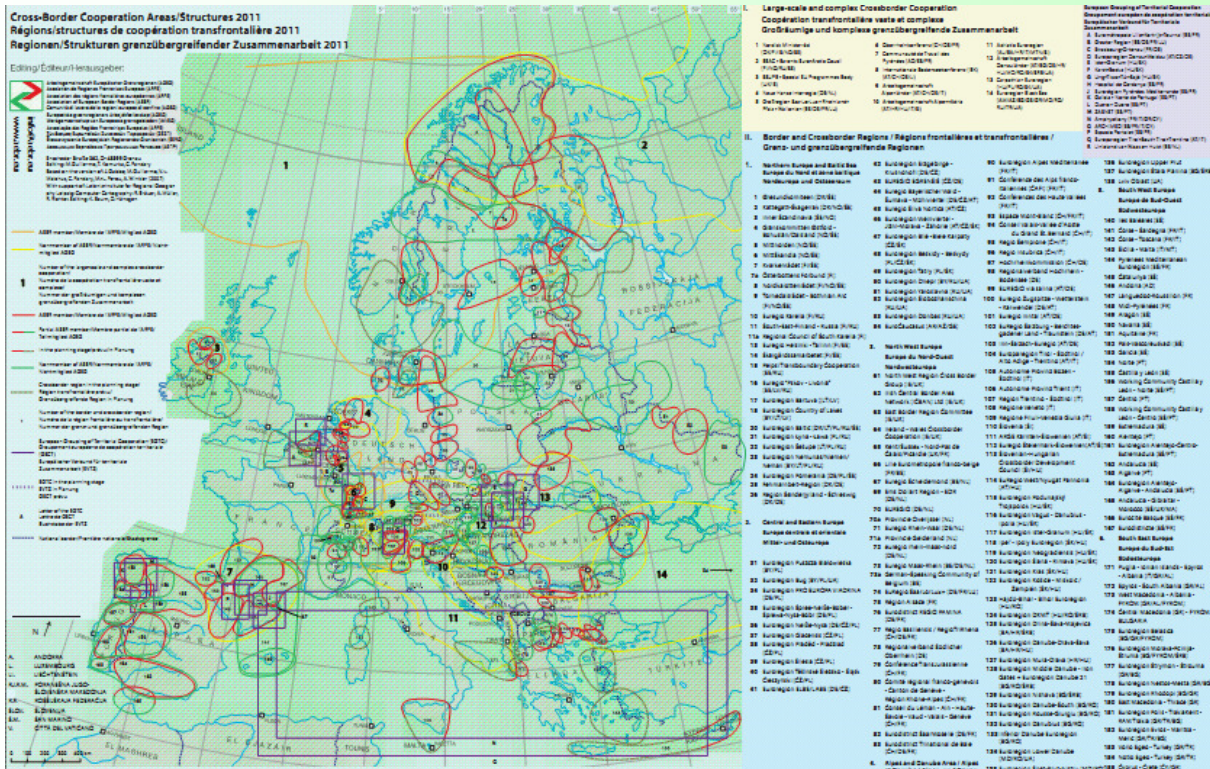


## EVENTS OF AEBR MEMBER REGIONS

- 25-26 May 2011, Lappeenranta, Finland: 2nd EU-Russia Innovation Forum (<http://www.eurussiainnoforum.com/>)
- 15-16 June 2011, Halden/Norway: Cross-Border Forum 2011 ([http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events\\_detail.php?event\\_id=89](http://www.aebr.eu/en/events/events_detail.php?event_id=89))
- 21 June 2011, Düsseldorf/Germany: Symposium “Zukunftsmodell BeNeLux-Region” ([http://www.cdu-nrw-fraktion.de/index.php?id=1896&no\\_cache=1&schrift=%252F%255C%5C%27mittel&tx\\_ttnews\[tt\\_news\]=10830&tx\\_ttnews\[calendarYear\]=2011&tx\\_ttnews\[calendarMonth\]=6](http://www.cdu-nrw-fraktion.de/index.php?id=1896&no_cache=1&schrift=%252F%255C%5C%27mittel&tx_ttnews[tt_news]=10830&tx_ttnews[calendarYear]=2011&tx_ttnews[calendarMonth]=6))
- 24 June 2011, Bela Palanka/Serbia: Conference “Present and Future Euroregion NISAVA”
- 30 June 2011, Brussels: Informative Event on the trinational Europaregion Donau-Moldau (DE/AT/CZ)
- 6-8 July 2011, Vigo, Porto, Braga (Spain/Portugal): 1st Open Days of Euroregion Galicia-North of Portugal
- 1 - 2 December 2011, Zittau/Germany: 20th Anniversary of Euroregion Neisse-Nysa-Nisa

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| 8-12 August 2011:     | III AEBR Youth forum, Lappeenranta (Finland)<br><a href="http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=82">http://www.aebr.eu/en/news/news_detail.php?news_id=82</a> |
| 8 September 2011:     | AEBR Discussion Panel on “Innovation in European Cross-Border Regions”, Economic Forum in Krynica, Poland                                                                 |
| 21 September 2011:    | AEBR Workshop in Moscow, Russia                                                                                                                                           |
| 22-24 September 2011: | AEBR Executive Committee meeting, General Assembly and Annual Conference 2011 in Kursk, Russia, Euroregion Yaroslavna                                                     |
| 2-3 December 2011:    | AEBR Executive Committee meeting in Vaasa, Finland                                                                                                                        |



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