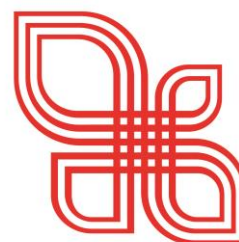




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## CLUSTER CONFERENCE\*

### ***Cluster policy and clusters' cooperation of V4+4 countries***

Organized by Ministry of Economic Development

30 June 2017, Warsaw, Plac Trzech Krzyży 3/5, Poland

**Moderator:** Maciej Dzierżanowski, tbc

Welcome coffee and registration 8.30 – 9.40

**Opening speech 10.00 – 10.10**

Jadwiga Emilewicz - Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Economic Development, Poland

**Plenary Session 10.10 - 12.10**

**Encouraging policy dialogue and policy learning in the scope of development through clusters** – Małgorzata Szczepańska, Director of Innovation Department, Ministry of Economic Development, Poland



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**European Cluster Policies and Initiatives** – Sławomir Tokarski, Director for Innovation and Advanced Manufacturing, DG GROWTH, European Commission

**Cluster policy and support for clusters in the V4 countries** – Marzena Frankowska, University of Szczecin, Arkadiusz Kowalski, Warsaw School of Economics, Poland

**Panel discussion: Cluster policy in the V4+4 countries**

Vladimir Borza - Director, Department of Programmes and Analysis, Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency

Peter Keller – Head of Unit, International and Cluster Unit, Ministry For National Economy, Hungary

Beata Lubos – Head of Division of Innovation Policy, Department of Innovation, Ministry of Economic Development, Poland

Daniel Cosnita – President of Romanian Cluster Association - CLUSTERO

Krzysztof Krystowski – President of the Polish Clusters Employers' Association

Representatives of ministries/agencies/institutions/associations from Romania, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Croatia, tbc

**Importance of cluster's strategy for development and internationalisation** – Kaspar Nielsen, Internationalisation Manager in Cluster Excellence Denmark

**Knowledge Sharing Process – key factor for increasing productivity** – Octavian Serban, Ministry of European Funds, Romania, tbc

**Coffee break** 12.10 - 12.40

**Parallel sessions 1-5** 12.40 - 14.30

**Parallel sessions 1 – 4 Knowledge exchange and sharing the best practices among clusters** (each session will consist of best practices' presentations and panel discussions about trends, barriers, challenges and cooperation)



### **Parallel session 1**

#### **Systems and means of transport**

(smart, green and integrated transport, aviation, automotive, new generation vehicles, innovative&intelligent means of transport, geoinformation)

**– conducted by Silesian Aviation Cluster (Key National Cluster), tbc**

### **Parallel session 2**

#### **Healthy Society**

(life-science, wellbeing, medical diagnosis and treatment, medical technology and devices, medical products and services, smart healthcare, digital health, biotechnology)

**– conducted by MedSilesia Cluster (Key National Cluster)**

### **Parallel session 3**

#### **Sustainable energy and eco-buildings**

(eco-buildings, smart buildings, secure, clean and efficient energy, smart grids, sensors&intelligent sensor networks)

**– conducted by Sustainable Infrastructure Cluster (Key National Cluster), tbc**

### **Parallel session 4**

#### **Natural resources and waste management**

(circular economy, recycling, minimising waste, modern technologies for sourcing, processing and use of natural resources and production of substitutes thereof)

**– conducted by Waste Management and Recycling Cluster (Key National Cluster)**



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## Parallel session 5

### **Strengthening cluster policies and fostering clusters' cooperation of the V4+4 countries (policy makers' session)**

**Moderator:** Maciej Dzierżanowski, tbc

**ClusterFY *Fostering Clusters' Interregional Collaboration and Intergration into International Value Chains*, Interreg project** – Paulina Zadura-Lichota, Director, Analysis and Strategy Department, Polish Agency for Enterprise Development

**CLUSTERS3 *Leveraging Cluster Policies for Successful Implementation of RIS3*, Interreg project** – Dorota Skwarek, Deputy Director, Department for Economy and International Cooperation, Lubelskie Voivodeship

**Brief overview of the cluster internationalisation in Slovakia** – Vladimir Borza, Director, Department of Programmes and Analysis, Slovak Innovation and Energy Agency

Panel discussion concerning the scope of cluster policy and national instruments for clusters, internationalisation of clusters, smart specialisation, cluster cooperation in the V4+4 countries

- representatives of ministries/agencies/institutions/associations from Hungary, Slovakia, Romania, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Croatia, Poland.

**Lunch 14.30 – 15.30**

**Matchmaking event 15.30-17.30**

\* Conference will be held in English

