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Committee of the  
Regions (JDE52)

# INTERREG SUDOE

15 years of helping to build Southwestern Europe



## ABOUT THE EVENT

Interreg South West (Sudoe) began 15 years ago as the transnational cooperation programme for territorial development within Southwestern Europe. In celebration of this milestone, the former BBC reporter, Ms. Claire Doole, will moderate a debate between political and institutional representatives on the success of Sudoe and the future of cohesion policy within Southwestern Europe. The event will include inspiring interventions of key Sudoe projects from different sectors – such as innovation or climate change, to explore concrete experiences related to the development of a 770.904 km<sup>2</sup> area and the improvement of European citizens' day-to-day lives.

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CONFERENCE

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## EVENT PROGRAMME

**9:00 AM**

### **Welcome**

Pavel Branda, Member of the European Committee of the Regions

**9:15 AM**

**Interreg Sudoe, 15 years of cooperation:** overview of the Programme  
Juan José Sota, Economy and Budget Councillor, Gobierno de Cantabria

**9:25 AM**

**Interreg Sudoe on the ground, projects for EU cohesion: water management**

### **TELERIEG**

Manuel Erena, Instituto Murciano de Investigación y Desarrollo Agrario y Alimentario

M Fernanda Arbáizar, D.G. Seguridad Ciudadana y Emergencias, Comunidad Autónoma Región de Murcia

*The Spanish National Authority of the Programme will complete this intervention giving an overview of the thematic in national and regional policies.*

**9:45 AM**

**Panel 1 - Transnational cooperation added value for European territorial development: Interreg Sudoe area or 770.904 km<sup>2</sup> of common problematic**

Ramón Luis Valcárcel Siso, Vice-President of the European Parliament

Iratxe García, Member of the European Parliament

Jean-Luc Fres, Commissariat général à l'égalité des territoires

Teresa Jorge, Centro Comissão de Coordenação e Desenvolvimento Regional do Centro

Marc Lobet, Interreg Sudoe reporter, European Commission (DG REGIO)

*Political and institutional representatives will discuss the territorial relevance of Sudoe, highlighting its added value to face common challenges. Session to be closed with Q&A session.*

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**11:00 AM** **Interreg Sudoe on the ground, projects for EU cohesion: climate change**  
**CLIMACT**

Susana Marta Lopes Almeida, Instituto Superior Técnico de Lisboa  
Jackie Linares, Department of Education, HM Government of Gibraltar

*The Portuguese National Authority of the Programme will complete this intervention giving an overview of the thematic in national and regional policies.*

**11:20 AM** **It's time for coffee!**

**11:40 AM** **Interreg Sudoe on the ground, projects for EU cohesion: innovation**  
**APSAT**

Philippe Lattes, Aerospace Valley  
Aurélie Dehouck, I-Sea

*The French National Authority of the Programme will complete this intervention giving an overview of the thematic in national and regional policies.*

**12:00 PM** **Panel 2 - Interreg Sudoe impact of transnational cooperation on key areas**

Nicolas Brookes, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions  
Vasilis Margaras, European Parliament Research Services  
Erich Dallhammer, Austrian Institute for Regional Studies and Spatial Planning  
Prof. Eduardo Medeiros, Instituto Universitario de Lisboa

*Experts on European territorial development will share their vision on the added value of transnational cooperation in South Western Europe for the development of key economic sectors and, consequently, territorial cohesion. Session to be closed with Q&A session.*

**01.15 PM** **Conclusions**

**01.30 PM** **Cocktail (Atrium)**

