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**UNIDEM  
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**“INTERREGIONAL AND TRANSFRONTIER CO-OPERATION:  
PROMOTING DEMOCRATIC STABILITY AND DEVELOPMENT”**

**Trieste, Italy**

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**22 – 25 February 2010**

**FINAL PROGRAMME**

## Monday, 22 February 2010

9.15 – 10.15	<p><b><u>Opening of the seminar and introduction</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Mr Sergio BARTOLE</a>, Italian member of the Venice Commission, Professor at the University of Trieste, Italy</p>
10.15 – 11.30	<p><b>Lecture:</b> “Interregional and transfrontier cooperation: from post-war twinings to “Euroregions”</p> <p><a href="#">Mr Eugenio AMBROSI</a>, Director, CORECOM, Regione Friuli Venezia Giulia, Trieste, Italy</p>
11.30 – 12.45	<p><b>Workshop:</b> “Regions as protagonists of European integration”</p> <p><a href="#">Mr Eugenio AMBROSI</a></p>
12.45 – 14.00	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
14.00 – 15.30	<p><b>Lecture:</b> “Administrative and legal framework for transfrontier cooperation at the European level – the CoE and EU legal instruments”</p> <p><a href="#">Mr Auke VAN DER GOOT</a>, Senior Policy Adviser, Dutch Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations (Europe and Local and Regional Governance Unit), The Hague, The Netherlands</p>
15.30 – 17.15	<p><b>Workshop :</b> “Transfrontier cooperation between EU and non-EU member states”</p> <p><a href="#">Mr Auke VAN DER GOOT</a></p>

## Tuesday, 23 February 2010

9.00 – 10.30	<p><b>Lecture</b> : “Euroregion as a mechanism for strengthening transfrontier and interregional cooperation: opportunities and challenges”</p> <p>Mr Oriano OTOČAN, Administrative Department for International Cooperation and European Integrations, Istrian Region, Pula, Croatia</p>
10.30 – 12.00	<p><b>Workshop</b>: “The Adriatic Euroregion: experiences and perspectives”</p> <p>Mr Oriano OTOČAN</p>
12.00 – 13.00	<p><b>Lecture</b>: “Interregional cooperation project: areas of cooperation and necessary competences”</p> <p>Mr BOGDAN AURESCU, <i>Romanian member of the Venice Commission</i></p>
13.00 – 14.00	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
14.00 – 16.00	<p><b>Workshop</b>: “Black Sea Euroregion: establishment process, areas of cooperation”</p> <p>MR. BOGDAN AURESCU</p>

### Wednesday, 24 February 2010

9.00 – 10.30	<p><b>National presentations:</b></p> <p>Participants:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Mr Ivan PETRUSEVSKI (“The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”)</li> <li>2. Mr Mihail Vasilev (Bulgaria)</li> <li>3. Ms Juneta DUMI, Ms Afrida DOMNORI (Albania)</li> <li>4. Ms Nino DANIBEGASHVILI, Mr Lasha GOTSIRIDZE (Georgia)</li> </ol> <p>Discussion facilitated by <a href="#">Ms. Alessia COZZI</a>, lawyer, Trieste, Italy</p>
10.30 – 12.00	<p><b>Lecture:</b> “Sustaining and promoting interregional and transfrontier cooperation”</p> <p><a href="#">Mr Daniele DEL BIANCO</a>, Institute of International Sociology of Gorizia Gorizia, Italy</p>
12.00 – 14.00	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>
14.00 – 15.30	<p><b>Lecture:</b> “Co-operating along borders: policies and funds from the European Union”</p> <p><a href="#">Mrs. ROSSANA CASASANTA</a>, Sole Administrator of Nexya srl, Rome</p>
15.30 – 17.00	<p><b>Workshop:</b> “Operational Programmes for cross-border co-operation”</p> <p><a href="#">Mrs. ROSSANA CASASANTA</a></p>

### Thursday, 25 February 2010

9.30 – 10.45	<p><b>Workshop:</b> “Training the Trainers”:</p> <p><a href="#">Ms Dubravka BOJIC</a>, Division of Democratic Institutions and Fundamental Rights, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France</p>
11.00 – 12.00	<p><b>Conclusions:</b></p> <p><a href="#">Ms. Alessia COZZI</a>, lawyer, Trieste, Italy</p>
12.00 -12.30	<p><b>Distribution of attendance certificates</b></p>
12.30 – 14.00	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>