

## ***Towards a progressive strategy for cohesion policy post-2020*** ***PES Cohesion Conference 2017***

**Date:** 10<sup>th</sup> July, 10:45-16:45

**Venue:** Bibliothèque Solvay · Leopoldpark, Rue Belliard 137, BRUSSELS

### ***Programme and the list of speakers***

#### **10:45 Welcoming**

- **Yonnec Polet**, Deputy Secretary General of the Party of European Socialists

#### **11:00 Opening speech**

- **Sergei Stanishev**, President of the Party of European Socialists

#### **11:20 Key-note speech**

- **Corina Crețu**, EU Commissioner for Regional Policy

#### **11:45 Guaranteeing solidarity in EU Cohesion policy post-2020**

- **Karl-Heinz Lambertz**, First Vice-President of the European Committee of the Regions, Belgium
- **Mercedes Bresso**, S&D Group Member of the European Parliament, Committee on Regional Development, Italy
- **Peter Pellegrini**, Deputy Prime Minister, Slovakia (tbc)
- **Marjorie Jouen**, Notre Europe

#### **13:00 Lunch for participants**

#### **14:00 Investing in solidarity: cohesion policy for quality jobs and equal societies across regions**

- **László Andor**, former Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, Hungary
- **Kerstin Westphal**, S&D Group Member of the European Parliament, Committee on Regional Development, Germany
- **Isabelle Boudineau**, Vice-President of the Nouvelle-Aquitaine Regional Council, France (tbc)
- **Eleftherios Antonopoulos**, European Policies Research Centre, University of Strathclyde

#### **15:15 Making a just transition across the EU: cohesion policy as the engine of green economy**

- **Jo Leinen**, S&D Group Member of the European Parliament, Chair of PES Environment and Climate Change Network, Germany
- **Daniel Termont**, Mayor of Ghent, President of Eurocities, Belgium
- **Montserrat Mir**, Confederal Secretary, European Trade Union Confederation (tbc)

#### **16:30 Closing remarks: The way forward**

- **Constanze Krehl**, S&D Group Member of the European Parliament, coordinator in the Committee on Regional Development, Germany (tbc)



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