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**SAVE THE DATE: 20-22 SEPTEMBER: AEBR ANNUAL CONFERENCE
IN OULU/FINLAND, BOTHNIAN ARC (SE-FI)**

**AEBR GENERAL ASSEMBLY &
ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2018
SMART CBC FOR EUROPEAN GROWTH
(Education and Employment in CB Regions)**

**Registrations now open for the
AEBR General Assembly,
Annual Conference & related
events in Oulu (Bothnian Arc) on
19-22 September 2018**

[Register now](#) for the AEBR Annual
Conference and related events in Oulu
(Bothnian Arc) (FI-SE) on 19-22
September 2018.

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AEBR Executive Committee Meeting in Xanthi, end June 2018

On 28-30 June members of AEBR met in Xanthi (East Macedonia-Thrace, Greece) for a very intense programme organized by the Chamber of Xanthi.

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AEBR's 1st YOUTH INNOVATION FORUM in Drama, end June 2018

The Drama Chamber of Commerce and Industry has hosted a Youth Innovation Forum of the Task Force External Borders (TFEB) of the Association of European Border Regions (AEBR) on 25-28 June 2018.

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AEBR - Cross Border Award „Sail of Papanburg“ 2018

The AEBR Cross Border Award "Sail of Papanburg" donated by the Ems Dollart Region in 2002 will also be presented in 2018.

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New EU Budget and proposal of Regulation for Interreg VI (2021-2027)

A new generation of Interreg has been proposed by the EU Commission at the end of May after the proposal of a new EU budget (Multiannual Financial Framework) presented at the beginning of that month.

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Interreg Volunteer Youth extended beyond August 2018

Given its undeniable success, the European Commission has decided to make an additional million euros available to the overall budget of Interreg Volunteer Youth (IVY), in order to prolong the initiative beyond 2018. Currently, the IVY programme runs until August 2018 and a renewal of the agreement is expected to be ready soon and in any case before September 2018.

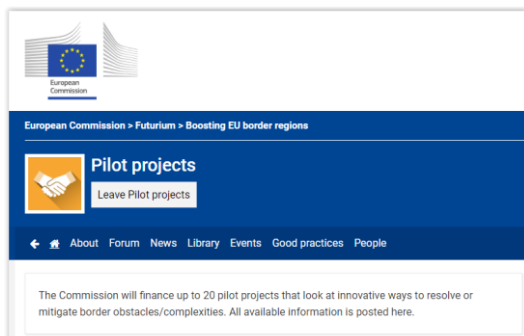
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b-solutions: 10 successful cases announced!

b-solutions is a pilot project to collect concrete & replicable actions which aim at identifying & testing solutions to cross-border obstacles of legal and administrative nature in EU internal land borders in 5 fields: employment; health; public transport of passengers; multi-lingualism; institutional cooperation. .

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An online platform to connect cross-border stakeholders: join Futurium now!

Following some discussions with key stakeholders who have been asking for such a support for quite some time, the European Commission's Directorate-General for Regional and Urban policy (DG REGIO) has launched the [Futurium Platform on "Boosting EU Border Regions"](#).

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Interreg Annual Meeting: looking at the present & the future of Interreg

On 18-20 June 2018, a small delegation of AEBR Berlin's Office attended the Interreg Annual Meeting in Brussels. This year's event focused on the current programming period 2014-2020 as well as on the post-2020 developments.

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NEW: AEBR is moving to a more central & well-functioning office in Berlin!

As of 1 July 2018 AEBR's Berlin office is located at the "WeWork Atrium Tower" in Potsdamer Platz, and more precisely in Eichhornstraße 3, 10785 Berlin

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EUSDR & EUSAIR Youth for Cross-Border Partnership & Cohesion

On 30-31 May 2018, AEBR Project Manager, Alessandra Cardaci attended and spoke at the EUSDR & EUSAIR Youth for Cross-Border Partnership &

Cohesion in Tivat, Montenegro.
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International Conference on CBC in Europe: legal frameworks and practice, organized by the Council of Europe and the Government of Croatia in Dubrovnik on 25 May

The Council of Europe and the Croatian Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe supports decentralisation as one of its key priorities.

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What are borders today?

Discussion event in the Embassy of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg in Berlin, 9 May 2018

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25-27 April 2018: 6th Cross-Border Culture Conference

This meeting is the follow-up event of T4CBC that took place last November in Dresden and focuses on the cultural and creative industries in rural border regions.

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European Territorial Cooperation post-2020

On 27 March 2018 the REGI Committee at the European Parliament hosted a Conference dealing with next generation of Interreg, a more impact-oriented policy to produce more integration.

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AEBR strongly supports the #CohesionAlliance and invites all its members and friends to visit the [#CohesionAlliance website](#) and to show support by signing the online declaration. Full information is also available in the just recently published [brochure of the #CohesionAlliance](#)

CB Migration at Mesoamerican Borders

A series of AEBR events to study and promote vulnerable groups of migrants across the Americas, as well as the Transatlantic relationship of local and regional authorities and civil society organizations. With the support of the Extremadura Agency for International Cooperation to Development.

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News from AEBR Members:

- [Obituary for Camille Gira](#)
 - [PAMINA informs about DG Grow – Single digital gateway](#)
 - [PAMINA Football Cup](#)
 - [Carlos V European Award to President of European Parliament Antonio Tajani](#)
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EU Affairs: Events & News

- [CoR-EIB - Invitation - EFSI 2.0: New Opportunities for Cities and Regions?](#)
- [The #CohesionAlliance Celebration Reception](#)
- [Meeting of EGTC National and Regional Authorizing Authorities](#)
- [Road Trip Project](#)
- [#EUinmyregion campaign](#)
- [RegioStars Awards : The independent jury has selected 21 finalists in the 2018 edition](#)
- [INFORM network Events](#)
- [Promoting an Inclusive Europe: Supporting the Effective Integration of non-EU Migrants](#)
- [948 Merkatua - Marché des Arts de Navarre - Pamplune](#)

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Studies, Papers & Opportunities:

- [Comprehensive analysis of the existing cross-border rail transport connections and missing links on the internal EU borders](#)
- [PhD Position in Border Studies](#)
- [Stakeholders' consultation on the proposal of the "European Regional Development Fund and Cohesion Fund Regulation" beyond 2020](#)
- [Public consultations launched by the European Commission](#)
- [Survey of organisations campaigning for political rights for EU citizens and potential support for an ECI](#)

AGENDA

Coming events:

- **10-14 July, Vienna & Budapest: 2nd ABS (Association of Borderland Studies) World Conference**
- **15-20 July, Salamanca: 56th International Congress of Americanists**
- **21 – 26 August, Kharkiv/Ukraine: X AEBR Youth Forum and TFEB Meeting**
- **14 September, Brussels: CoR Bureau**
- **19-21 September (tbc), Vienna: Meeting of the *Network of Territorial Cooperation Contact Points* (NTCCP)**
- **19 September, Oulu (Bothnian Arc, FI-SE): ESPON *Cross-Border Public Services* Project Steering Committee meeting**
- **19-22 September, Oulu (Bothnian Arc, FI-SE): Workshops, Executive Committee, General Assembly and Annual Conference “(Youth) Education and Capacity Building for Employment in Border Regions” (-> [further information](#))**
- **8 October, Brussels: CoR Bureau**
- **9-10 October, Brussels: CoR Plenary**
- **8-11 October, Brussels: *European Week of Regions and Cities* (former *Open Days*)**
- **22-23 October, St. Petersburg: All-Russia Regional Forum**

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