

Opening conference Interreg V-A Slovakia-Hungary Cooperation Programme

AGENDA

Date: 13th September 2016

10.00 – 10.30 Registration and coffee

10.30 – 11.20 'Opening and welcome notes'

Mr. Zsigmond PERÉNYI – Deputy State Secretary, Head of Managing Authority of Interreg V-A Slovakia-Hungary Cooperation Programme

Mr. Viktor VESELOVSKÝ – Director General of Cross-border Cooperation Programmes Section, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic

Ms. Agnès MONFRET – Head of Unit D2 European Cross-Border Cooperation, European Commission, DG REGIO

Mrs. Éva Czibalmosné Molnár – Ambassador of Hungary in the Slovak Republic

Mr. Rastislav Mojto/Mr. Rastislav KÁČER – Ambassador at Embassy of the Slovak Republic in Hungary

11.20 – 11.30 'About the Interreg V-A Slovakia-Hungary Cooperation Programme'

Presentation of the programme's history, evolution, main objectives, first call for proposals

Ms. Csilla VERES – Head of SKHU Joint Secretariat

11.30 – 11.50 'Overcoming the obstacles of cross-border cooperation'

Follow-up on last year's research of the European Commission on overcoming the remaining obstacles of cross-border cooperation'

Ms. Agnès MONFRET – Head of Unit D2 European Cross-Border Cooperation, European Commission, DG REGIO

11.50 – 12.00 'European Cooperation Day'

Presentation of the aims and results of European Cooperation Day

Mr. Zsolt SZOKOLAI – Senior expert for Urban and territorial development, D2 European Cross-Border Cooperation, European Commission, DG REGIO

12.00 – 14.00 'Joint project visit'

Cargo ferry ride between Štúrovo and Esztergom by bus.

14.00 – 15.30 'Reception and networking'

Project visit

Establishment of a cargo ferry between Esztergom and Štúrovo

Due to the weight limitation on the Maria Valéria bridge between the city of Esztergom in Hungary and the city of Štúrovo in Slovakia, all trucks weighing more than 3.5 tonnes are forced to travel a 200 km longer route when crossing the border. By the establishment of the cross-border cargo ferry connection, not only the travel distance and time is saved, but the environmental burden on the population living in the affected areas caused by the huge traffic is decreased. The cargo ferry as a combined means of transport creates sustainable development conditions and cohesion between the two economically complementary regions and decreases the environmental burdens in the Danube areas.

Project Partners:

Nemzeti Infrastruktúra Fejlesztő Zrt.

Kolpingova rodina Štúrovo n.o.

Nitrianská regionálna komora SOPK

Kolpingovo dielo na Slovensku