

## "Survival strategies for Regions and Cities in Europe"

**Economics meets Politics** 

Sunday - Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> of September 2015 Salzburg Congress, Europasaal Auerspergstraße 6, 5020 Salzburg, Austria

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Johannes **Hahn**, EU Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy & Enlargement Negotiations, Belgium

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In cooperation with Land Salzburg represented by Dr. Wilfried **Haslauer**, Governor of Land Salzburg

In cooperation with the City of Salzburg represented by Dr. Heinz **Schaden**, Mayor of Salzburg



#### **PROGRAMME**

### Sunday, 27th of September 2015

**Venue:** Salzburg Congress, Europasaal, Auerspergstraße 6, 5020 Salzburg, Austria Conference languages: German, English (additional languages available upon request)

- 12:00 Registration
- 13:00 IRE General Assembly 2015
  (Only IRE members are entitled to vote, all guests are welcome)

14:00 – 14:30 Networking Coffee Break

# 11th Conference of European Regions and Cities (CERC) "Survival strategies for Regions and Cities in Europe"

- 14:30 Opening Address
- 15:00 Opening Speech
- 15:30 IRE Forum: EU Enlargement prospect and future

  Johannes HAHN, EU Commissioner for Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations:
  Enlargement strategy of the European Commission (Video Message)
- 15:40 **Panel discussion** on the topic of the IRE forum
- 17:00 End of Expert Forum
- 18:15 Tour in the DomQuartier, Cathedral of Salzburg
- 19:30 Reception upon the invitation of governor of Land Salzburg Dr. Wilfried Haslauer Residenz Salzburg, Carabinieri Saal

## Monday, 28th of September 2015

- 08:00 **Registration Exhibition** of the IRE-Members
- 08:30 Opening Address

#### **PROGRAMME**

09:00 Opening Speech:

Tibor **NAVRACSICS**, Ph.D., EU Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport: "The implementation of EU policies on education, science and research on regional and local level"

09:30 Panel discussion I:

Regional research and innovation projects as strategy for intelligent employment

- 11:00 11:30 Networking Coffee Break
- 11:30 Panel discussion II:

How will the energy transition succeed? – The importance of cross-border regional cooperation in the energy sector

- 13:00 14:00 Networking Lunch
- 14:00 Panel discussion III:

Regional Tourism: Right strategy at the right location

- 15:30 16:00 Networking Coffee Break
- 16:00 Panel discussion IV:

Climate protection in regions: What are some sustainable examples of best-practice?

- 17:30 Conclusion and end of conference
- 19:30 **"Traditional Evening"** upon the invitation of the Mayor of Salzburg Dr. Heinz **Schaden** Restaurant Stieglkeller, Festungsgasse 10, Salzburg, Austria

## Tuesday, 29th of September 2015

10:00 - 12:00 **City walk** in the historical center of Salzburg

**Departure** of the international guests

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