

# Challenges for the New Cohesion Policy 2014-2020

An Academic and Policy Debate

2nd joint EU Cohesion Policy Conference  
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Version: 30 January 2015

## Programme

### Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February 2015

14.00-18.00

Study Trip (optional) – Guided Riga City tour and site visit to the OlainFarm, pharmaceutical company and EU co-funded project

19.00-21.00

**Welcome Reception:**

- **Edgars Šadris**, Director of the EU Funds Strategy Department, Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Latvia
- **Peter Berkowitz**, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission
- **Professor Andrew Beer**, Chair of the Regional Studies Association & the University of Adelaide
- **Professor Marcis Auziņš**, Rector of the University of Latvia

Venue: SemaraH Hotel Metropole, Aspazijas bulvāris 36/38, Riga

### Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015

8.00-9.00

Registration and welcome coffee

9.00-10.30

**Opening Plenary**

Moderated by Professor Andrew Beer, Chair of the Regional Studies Association

- **Jānis Reirs**, Minister of Finance of the Republic of Latvia
- Video message by **Corina Crețu**, Commissioner for Regional Policy
- **Dr Walter Deffaa**, Director-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission
- **Professor John Bachtler**, European Policies Research Centre

10.30 - 11.00

Coffee break

11.00-12.45

Parallel workshop sessions – round 1

**Workshop 1**

**Small Hall**  
Economic Geography and Cohesion Policy

- **Chair:** Adrian Healy, Cardiff University
- **Discussant:** Lewis Dijkstra, European Commission

- **Kathryn Pain et al.:** Europe as a Global Macro-Region: How is Economic

**Workshop 2**

**OPEN Auditorium**  
Europe 2020 and Smart Specialisation (1)

- **Chair:** Kevin Richardson, Higher Education Funding Council for England
- **Discussant:** Katja Reppel, European Commission

- **Marta Dobrzycka:** Smart Specialisation – the New Concept of Cohesion Policy in

**Workshop 3**

**Great Hall**  
Assessing the Reform of Cohesion Policy for the 2014-2020 Period

- **Chair:** Marjorie Jouen, Notre Europe - Jacques Delors Institute
- **Discussant:** Piotr Zuber, Ministry of Infrastructure and Development, Poland

- **Peter Berkowitz:** A more Effective and Efficient Policy? Assessing the

**Workshop 4**

**Room 104**  
Improving the Leverage of European Territorial Cooperation

- **Chair:** Colin Wolfe, European Commission
- **Discussant:** Silke Haarich, Haarich Regional Research and Development

- **Urszula Roman-Kamphaus:** How to Achieve Successful European Territorial

**Workshop 5**

**Room 258**  
What works in Cohesion Policy? The Performance of the Funds (1)

- **Chair:** Klaudius Maniokas ESTEP Vilnius
- **Discussant:** Ángel Catalina Rubianes, European Commission

- **Grzegorz Gorzelak:** Cohesion Policy and Regional Development in

Venue: University of Latvia, Raiņabulvāris 19, Riga LV-1050, Latvia

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12.45-14.00 Lunch

14.00 –15.45 Parallel workshop sessions – round 2

<p><b>Workshop 6</b> <b>Small Hall</b> What works in Cohesion Policy? The Performance of the Funds (3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Veronica Gaffey, European Commission</li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Richard Brooš, Permanent Representation of the Slovak Republic to the EU</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 7</b> <b>OPEN Auditorium</b> Modelling the Impact of Cohesion Policy (1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Dalia Belicka, EY Latvia</li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Ugo Fratesi, Politecnico di Milano</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 8</b> <b>Room 258</b> Integrated Territorial Approaches – ITIs and CLLD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Alexandra Zakrzewska, Ministry of Infrastructure and Development, Poland</li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Arno van der Zwet, University of Strathclyde / European Policies Research Centre</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 9</b> <b>Room 104</b> Accountability and Good Communication in Cohesion Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Wolfgang Petzold, Committee of the Regions</li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Tim Goodship, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, United Kingdom</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 10</b> <b>Great Hall</b> What works in Cohesion Policy? The Performance of the Funds (2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Pasi Rantahalvari, Ministry of Employment and the Economy, Finland</li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Grzegorz Gorzelak, University of Warsaw</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>John Bachtler et al.:</b> The Long-Term Achievements of EU Cohesion Policy</li> <li>• <b>Andrzej Paczoski:</b> Creating an Effective Cohesion Policy in</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nicola Pontarollo:</b> The Impact of European Structural Funds in Objective 1 Regions: Between Cohesion Policy and Lisbon Agenda</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Marlène Siméon:</b> Integrated Sustainable Development in the Hand of Local and Regional Governments: The</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Maaïke Damen:</b> Cohesion Policy in the Netherlands: Is There a Situation of Good Accountability?</li> <li>• <b>Nata Lasmane:</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Giuseppe Provenzano:</b> Cohesion Policy in Southern Italy: Weaknesses and Opportunities</li> <li>• <b>Aleksandrs Dahs:</b></li> </ul>

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<p>the Context of Europe 2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Silke Haarich:</b> How to Evaluate Intangible Achievements in Cooperation and Governance? A New Methodology.</li> <li>• <b>Nicoleta Carmen Olteanu:</b> The Achievements of the 2007-13 Cohesion Policy in the Baltic Sea Region</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Danute Burakiene:</b> The Use of Evaluation as a Result-Based Management Tool: Lithuanian Case</li> <li>• <b>Giuseppe Francesco Gori et al.:</b> A Macroeconomic Impact Assessment of the 2007-2013 EU Cohesion Policy in Tuscany</li> <li>• <b>Jerzy Pienkowski et al.:</b> Econometric Assessments of Cohesion Policy Growth Effects - How to Make them more Relevant for Policy Makers?</li> </ul>	<p>Use of Integrated Territorial Investments in Cohesion Policy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ivan Tosics:</b> Integrated Territorial Investment - A Missed Opportunity?</li> <li>• <b>Jarosław Hawrysz:</b> Polish Example: Lessons learned on Local Initiatives Implementation and Future Challenges from the EC Perspective.</li> </ul>	<p>Accountability of EU Funds Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Karolina Wrona:</b> Seeing is Believing? Methodological Implications from the Evaluation Study on Good Practices in Communicating Cohesion Policy</li> </ul>	<p>Measuring Demographic Impact of the 2007-2013 Regional and Cohesion Policy Actions in Latvia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adrian Healy et al.:</b> Building Resilient Economies: Lessons from the Crisis for EU Cohesion Policies</li> <li>• <b>Benedict Wauters et al.:</b> Where did the Well-Being go in ISIF?</li> </ul>
<p>15.45-16.15</p>		<p>Coffee break</p>		
<p>16.15-18.00</p>		<p>Parallel workshop sessions – round 3</p>		
<p><b>Workshop 11</b> <b>Great Hall</b> <b>Administrative Capacity and the Governance of Cohesion Policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Ann-Kerstin Myleus, <i>European Commission</i></li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Mascha Möbius, <i>Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs &amp; Energy, Germany</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 12</b> <b>Small Hall</b> <b>Modelling the Impact of Cohesion Policy (2)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Duarte Rodrigues, <i>Cohesion and Development Agency, Portugal</i></li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Janusz Zaleski, <i>Wroclaw University of Technology</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 13</b> <b>OPEN Auditorium</b> <b>Integrated Territorial Approaches and Urban Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Stephen Fox, <i>Panliska</i></li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Martijn De Bruijn, <i>European Commission</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 14</b> <b>Room 104</b> <b>Policy Targeting and more Efficient Management in Implementing the Funds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Carol Sweetenham, <i>Department for Communities and Local Government, United Kingdom</i></li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Liga Baltina, <i>University of Latvia</i></li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 15</b> <b>Room 258</b> <b>Using Cohesion Policy to address Youth Unemployment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Chair:</b> Olegs Krasnopjorovs, <i>Bank of Latvia</i></li> <li>• <b>Discussant:</b> Resa Koleva, <i>European Commission</i></li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Lewis Dijkstra:</b> Quality of Government and Economic and Social Development in EU Regions</li> <li>• <b>Neculai-Cristian Surubaru:</b> Administrative Capacity vs. Governance – How to</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Elita Jermolajeva et al.:</b> The Helix Model as a Tool for Improved Performance and Achievements of the Cohesion Policy Results</li> <li>• <b>Mara Giua et al.:</b> How does the Net Impact of the EU</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Arno van der Zwet et al.:</b> Towards a Europe of the Localities? Integrated Place-Based Approaches in Cohesion Policy in 2014-20 and Beyond</li> <li>• <b>Piotr Zuber:</b> Critical Perspectives on Integrated Territorial</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Andrey Demidov:</b> Efficient Implementers and Partners - What do we Miss in our Understanding how Cohesion Policy Administrators Work?</li> <li>• <b>Emils Pulmanis:</b> Polycentric</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Olga Starineca:</b> Cohesion Funds and Youth Employment in Latvia</li> <li>• <b>Joan Ganau et al.:</b> Youth Employment, Migrations and the Construction of a New European Labour Market</li> <li>• <b>Peter Wells et al.:</b></li> </ul>



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<p>Improve the Management and Implementation Environment for European Structural and Investment Funds? Evidence from New Member States</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ulrich Graute:</b> Strengthening Public Administration and Effective Management by Widening the Focus of Programmes and Capacity Building to Better Face the Non-Linear Complexity of Developments</li> <li>• <b>Septimiu-Rares Szabo:</b> The Administrative Capacity of the Sub-National Level in Implementing Cohesion Policy in Romania</li> </ul>	<p>Regional Policy Differ across Countries?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Klaudijus Maniokas:</b> Policy as a Major Conditionality: Conclusions of Two Recent Impact Evaluations in Lithuania</li> <li>• <b>D'Artis Kancs et al.:</b> Assessing the Impact of Cohesion Policy Programmes 2014-2020: a Model-Based Approach</li> </ul>	<p>Development in 2014-2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ilona Raugze et al.:</b> Challenges and Practical Aspects in Implementation of Place-Based Approach</li> <li>• <b>Gabor Novotny:</b> The Rise and Fall of Integrated Approaches - On Troubled Waters from Concept to Implementation.</li> </ul>	<p>Development Project Micro-Economical Aspects and Application Process in Public Administration in Latvia</p>	<p>New Approaches to Addressing Youth Unemployment: New Roles for the European Union's Structural Funds?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Gonul Oguz:</b> Linking the Cohesion Funds into the Integration of Youth Immigrants in the European Labour Markets</li> </ul>
20.00	Gala dinner			
Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> February 2015				
8.30-9.00	Registration and welcome coffee			
9.00-9.30	<p><u>Opening Speech</u>  <b>Moderated by Dr Walter Deffaa</b>, <i>Director-General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Iskra Mihaylova</b>, <i>Member of the European Parliament, Chair of the Regional Development (REGI) Committee</i></li> </ul>			

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<p><b>Workshop 16</b> <b>Great Hall</b> <b>Economic Governance and Cohesion Policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Ernst Holzinger, Federal Chancellery of Austria</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Iain Begg, London School of Economics</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 17</b> <b>OPEN Auditorium</b> <b>Europe 2020 and Smart Specialisation (2)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Conceição Moreno, Cohesion and Development Agency, Portugal</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Alise Vitola, Cross-Sectoral Coordination Centre</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 18</b> <b>Small Hall</b> <b>Regional Imbalances and the Impact of Cohesion Policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Andrew Beer, Regional Studies Association &amp; University of Adelaide</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Nicola Pontarollo, University of Verona</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 19</b> <b>Room 104</b> <b>Financial Instruments – Lessons from Implementation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Chris Poppe, Ministry of Economic Affairs, the Netherlands</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Carla Leal, Cohesion and Development Agency, Portugal</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 20</b> <b>Room 258</b> <b>Youth Unemployment and Social Exclusion</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Resa Koleva, European Commission</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Judit Kalman, Institute of Economics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Simone Reinhart:</b> Macroeconomic Conditionality - the Link between Economic Governance and Cohesion Policy from an Inter-Institutional Perspective</li> <li><b>Aleksandra Zakrzewska:</b> Mutual Relationships Between the EU Cohesion Policy and Economic Governance</li> <li><b>Marjorie Jouen:</b> Linking ESIF to Sound Economic Governance, the Story of a Triple Punishment for Local and Regional Authorities</li> <li><b>Stijn Verhelst:</b> Macroeconomic Conditionality: In Search of a Balanced Approach</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Henning Kroll:</b> The Policy Challenge in Smart Specialisation</li> <li><b>Kevin Richardson et al.:</b> Smart Specialisation: From Concept &amp; Strategies to Delivery</li> <li><b>Peter Wostner:</b> To what Extent does Smart Specialization solve the 'one-size-fits-all' Problem?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Piotr Rosik et al.:</b> Evaluation of the Impact of Construction of Motorways and Expressways in Poland in the Years 2004-15 on Accessibility and Cohesion</li> <li><b>Ángel Catalina Rubianes et al.:</b> Why Economic Imbalances Matter for Regional Development</li> <li><b>Eduardo Medeiros:</b> EU Cohesion Policy in Iberian Peninsula: Main Territorial Impacts (1989-2013) and Challenges for a More Efficient New Programming Period (2014-2020)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Andrea Di Anselmo et al.:</b> Early Stage Funds and ERDF Co-Financing: Lesson learned from the Experience of the Ingenium Funds in Italy</li> <li><b>Daina Belicka et al.:</b> How to Use Financial Instruments for Cohesion and for Which Interventions? Theory and Practice with a Case Study on the Situation in the Baltic States</li> <li><b>Gyorgyi Nyikos:</b> The Role of Financial Instruments in Improving Access to Finance in Less-Developed Regions - Combined Microcredit in Hungary</li> <li><b>Fiona Wishlade et al.:</b> Financial Instruments in 2014-20: Learning from 2007-13 and Adapting to the New Environment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Katharina Zimmerman:</b> Social Inclusion Funded by Europe? The Impact of the European Social Fund on Local Social and Employment Policies</li> <li><b>Olegs Krasnopjorovs.:</b> How to Overcome Youth Unemployment: Education vs. Temporary Employment</li> <li><b>Ireneusz Jazwinski:</b> Changes in Social Cohesion in the Member States of the European Union in Crisis Conditions</li> </ul>
11.15 - 11.30	Coffee break			

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11.30-13.00				
Parallel workshop sessions – round 5				
<p><b>Workshop 21</b> <b>Room 258</b> <b>Management and Implementation of the Funds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Willem Molle, Erasmus University Rotterdam</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Katri Seier, Ministry of Finance, Estonia</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 22</b> <b>OPEN Auditorium</b> <b>Youth Unemployment and Equal Opportunities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Maaïke Damen, University of Twente</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Peter Wells, Sheffield Hallam University</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 23</b> <b>Small Hall</b> <b>Cohesion Policy and Regional Innovation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Edmunds Valantis, Ministry of Economics, Latvia</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Marta Dobrzycka, Warsaw School of Economics</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 24</b> <b>Room 104</b> <b>Administrative Practice and Reform in the Management of the Funds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Mina Shoylekova, European Commission</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Ulrich Graute, Senior Adviser/Consultant</li> </ul>	<p><b>Workshop 25</b> <b>Great Hall</b> <b>Territorial Cohesion and Territorial Impacts of Cohesion Policy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Chair:</b> Didier Michal, General Commission for Territorial Equality, France</li> <li><b>Discussant:</b> Urszula Roman-Kamphaus, University of the West of Scotland</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Theodora Stathoulia:</b> Re-Inventing Policies and Practices in Regional Strategy</li> <li><b>Liga Baltina et al.:</b> What Institutional Arrangements for Coherent EU Cohesion Policy Planning and Implementation?</li> <li><b>Istvan Janos Tóth:</b> The Missing Link? Corruption Risks in EU Funded Public Procurement Tenders</li> <li><b>Carol Sweetenham:</b> Balancing the Demands of Localism and Compliance: Setting up the New ERDF Programme in England</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Jale Tosun et al.:</b> The Absorption of Structural and Investment Funds and Youth Unemployment: An Empirical Test</li> <li><b>Leaza McSorley et al.:</b> Whatever Happened to Gender Mainstreaming? Lessons for the 2014-20 European Structural and Investment Funds</li> <li><b>Daiva Repeckaite:</b> Patchwork of Projects or Coherent Strategy? Equal Opportunities in the Implementation of EU Structural Assistance in Lithuania</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Niall MacKenzie:</b> From "Technium" to "Emptium": Innovation Policy and Structural Funds in a Weaker EU Region</li> <li><b>Jose Mella-Marquez et al.:</b> Cohesion Policy and Innovation: How Can Resources be Used Most Effectively</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Josip Mihalic:</b> Public Actor Constellations in Formulation of Operational Programmes: Differentiation by the Policy Networks Theory</li> <li><b>Mark A. Langley:</b> Administrative Reform, Capacity-Building and Cohesion Policy</li> <li><b>Savina Mihaylova-Goleminova:</b> Is a Change Necessary in the Coordination and Management System for Assistance Granted from the Structural and Cohesion Funds of the European Union in Bulgaria?</li> <li><b>Stefan Telle:</b> Governing Soft Spaces with Fuzzy Boundaries: Regional Polarization, Democratic Accountability, and Strategic-Selectivity in Cohesion Policy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Tomasz Komornicki:</b> The Concept of Territorial Cohesion as Understood and Practiced by Polish Regions</li> <li><b>Gergo Medve-Balint:</b> Supporting the Rich and the Politically Loyal: How the Structural Funds May Contribute to Rising Regional Disparities in Eastern Europe</li> <li><b>Purushottam Kesar:</b> "Territorial Cohesion" in the Emerging Economic Geography of Europe: Examining Cohesion Policy Architecture for the New Financing Period (2014-20)</li> </ul>



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13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00-15.00	<p><b>Closing Session – Future Research Agendas</b> <b>Moderated by Professor John Bachtler, <i>European Policies Research Centre</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Dr Walter Deffaa, <i>Director General for Regional and Urban Policy, European Commission</i></b></li><li>• <b>Professor Iain Begg, <i>London School of Economics</i></b></li></ul> <p><b>Closing remarks:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Andris Piebalgs, <i>Advisor to the President of the Republic of Latvia, Former Commissioner of the European Commission</i></b></li></ul>