



## PROGRAMME

### **Cities as Engines for the Growth and Jobs Agenda - Competitiveness through Innovative Partnership and Networking**

- *How can cities achieve the Lisbon goals in partnership with other actors?*
- *What is the added value of strategic partnership and networking?*
- *Should measures be based on a top-down or a bottom-up approach?*
- *How should governance be modified to meet future challenges?*

**Wednesday, November 8, 2006**

EUROPEAN UNION



**Committee of the Regions**

Rue Belliard 101, 1040 Brussels, Room BEL 51

---

**Moderator: Mr. Juhani Paajanen, Mayor, City of Vantaa**

**13.00**     ***Registration and Lunch***

**14.15**     ***Opening and Welcome***

*Mr. Gerhard Stahl, Secretary-General, Committee of the Regions*

**Co-operation of the Six Major Cities in Finland**

*Ms. Päivi Laajala, Deputy Mayor, City of Oulu*

**14.30**     ***Keynote Speeches***

**The Urban Dimension in the Growth and Jobs Agenda**

*Ms. Danuta Hübner, Commissioner for Regional Policy, European Commission*

**Partnership between National, Regional and Local Authorities**

*Mr. Jeremy Smith, Secretary-General, CEMR (tbc)*

**The Added Value of Strategic Co-operation: Challenges and Opportunities for Cities in the Co-operation with other Stakeholders**

*Mr. Mikko Pukkinen, Mayor, City of Turku*

**Co-operation between the Business Sector, Research Institutes and Local Authorities**

*Ms. Marketta Kokkonen, Mayor, City of Espoo*

**15.45**     ***Networking and Partnership Cases***

**Helsinki Metropolitan Area – New Co-operation and Initiatives**

*Mr. Jussi Pajunen, Lord Mayor, City of Helsinki*

**The BaltMet Network – Co-operation in the Baltic Sea Region**

*Mr. Aivars Aksenoks, Mayor, City of Riga, representing the BaltMet Network*

**The Role of Local and Regional Actors in the Implementation of the Lisbon Agenda**

*Mr. Fernando Alonso, Deputy Director, Stockholm Region, representing the Lisbon Regions Network*

**European Dialogue and Partnership**

*Ms. Catherine Parmentier, Chief Executive Officer, Eurocities*

**16.45**     ***Discussion***

**17.00**     ***Closing Remarks – The Added Value of Exchanging Good Practices***

*Mr. Jean Marie Beaupuy, MEP, Chairman of the European Parliament Urban-Logement Intergroup*