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Debate: Cities and regions investing in the Energy Union

DATE: 14 October 2015, from 09:00 to 10:45

VENUE: European Committee of the Regions
Jacques Delors Building, Room JDE52
Brussels (Belgium)

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AGENDA: **Event moderator:** Holger Robrecht, ICLEI Deputy Regional Director for Europe

09:00 – 09:20: Keynote and setting the scene by Peter Van Kemseke, Member of Cabinet and Cabinet Expert, Energy Union, European Commission

Following the keynote, two main topics will shape the discourse of the event:

- A. Planning within the Energy Union – planning policies and projects
- B. Investing within the Energy Union – funding with the right mix

09:20 – 10:30: Fishbowl-style conversation and first round of questions

- **Brenda King, EESC Member and Chief Executive, African & Caribbean Diversity**
- **Eugenio Leanza, Head of JESSICA Task Force – European Investment Bank**

Will join the debate:

- **Mihai Belala, Counsellor Mayor's Office, Alba Iulia City Hall, Romania**
- **Magnus Borelius, Head of Group Treasury, Gothenburg, Sweden**
- **Miriam Badino, Metropolitan City of Genova (formerly Province of Genova), Italy**
- **Empty chair**

In the “**Fishbowl Conversation**” the speakers and the moderator will sit in a circle with the audience in concentric circles around them. The audience is invited to “dip” into the debate by taking the empty seats in the inner active ring for a brief time. Participants can take stage to ask and answer questions and share experience.

10:30 – 10:45: Wrap-up and Food for Thought

10:45 – 12:15: Networking session

Networking Station 2 - colour code red - Foyer 5 (close to the JDE 52 room) JDE building

English / French simultaneous translation will be provided