



NEWSLETTER

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ENTP new president

On the 1st of January 2010, Joke van Doorne will no longer be Mayor of Capelle aan den IJssel. Her position as president of ENTP has been taken over by Cllr. Andrew Johnson, leader of Harlow Council and ENTP board member.



ENTP warmly thanks Ms van Doorne for the time, the energy, and the passion she devoted throughout all the years in chairing the Platform. We also welcome our new president, Cllr. Andrew Johnson and thank him for the motivation and the commitment he is showing in this new duty.



ENTP board meeting

An extraordinary session of the ENTP board meeting was held in Harlow on the 4th of December. The board:

- Officialised the change of presidency
- Approved the location and the theme of the next General Assembly
- Approved the 2010 agenda and strategy
- Approved the provisional budget.

The meeting included a guided tour of the new town of Harlow.



2010 General Assembly

ENTP is glad to announce that the next general assembly will be hosted by the Greek new town of Agios Stefanos the 26th to the 28th of May 2010. The main theme of discussion will be "new towns and their metropolises".

Official meeting with DG Regio

On the 24th of November, ENTP president Ms Van Doorne presented our organisation to Mr. Dirk Ahner, Director General of DG Regio (http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/index_en.htm) of the European Commission. Features and perspectives of new towns with regard to the EU regional policy were discussed.



ENTP members' new projects approved

The Interreg IVB NWE program approved the project **Greenov** on the establishment of cluster for the sustainable renovation of buildings.



The project **Euroscape** on the management of town landscape, led by Marne-la-Vallée—Val Maubuée, was approved by the Interreg IV C program.

Kick-off meeting of the project **Villes Pilotes** on sustainable new towns funded by the EC Ciudad program will be held in Marne-la-Vallée—Val Maubuée on the 8th and 9th of April.

The project **Respect+** on integration of Roma people, led by ANCI-Ideali, has been approved by the EC DG JFS program "Fundamental rights and citizenship"

http://ec.europa.eu/justice_home/funding/rights/funding_rights_en.htm

ENTP events

- ENTP took part at the Forum on Sustainable Development of Small and Medium-Sized Cities in Shanghai on the 19th of November. Read: <http://www.newtowns.net/report-on-shanghai-forum-on-sustainable-development-of-small-and-medium-sized-cities>
- ENTP will welcome the delegation of Spijkenisse for a study visit in Brussels on the 28th and 29th of January 2010. The visit will include a meeting at the Committee of the Regions.

Partners' search

Stevenage Borough Council is looking for partners for an application under the Leonardo da Vinci Lifelong Learning Programme (February 2010) on exchanges for councils' officers and elected members about parks and public open spaces, community partnerships, healthy eating, recycling, pest control. Contact: John.Pye@stevenage.gov.uk

EU News

The **Committee of the Regions** will inaugurate the Euro-Mediterranean Regional and Local Assembly (ARLEM) on the 21st of January 2010.

More info here:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/press/actions_en?ref=press-COR091118&lang=en&lang=en