

ESPON Contact Point Luxembourg

Welcome to the 2. ECP Information and Progress Meeting

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1 Rue de Plébiscite, Luxembourg

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- 09.15** Begrüßung: Maryse Scholtes (DATUR)
- 09.30** ESPON 2006-Programm: Peter Mehlbye (ESPON Director)
- 10.00** Die Bedeutung von ESPON: Thiemo W. Eser (ESPON MA)
Kaffeepause
- 10.45** Der aktualisierte ESPON Data Navigator, ESPON Project 4.1
- 11.15** Übersicht über die neuen Entwicklungen der ESPON Kernprojekte
Mittagspause
- 13.30** Erste Ergebnisse einiger neuer ESPON Projekte
Kaffeepause
- 14.45** Diskussion
- 15.00** N.N.
- 16.00** Ende der Veranstaltung

Function of ESPON Contact Points

- The main task of the ECPs is to develop an interface between the work of the ESPON programme and the national spatial research community.
- Therefore a vital discussion is needed.
- Information about the working schedule and the progress of the ESPON programme is the first step.

ESPON 4.1 Data Navigator

- Inventory of national data collection:
 - Regional data, preferably for NUTS 3-regions
 - Geographical scope: EU15 + 12 accession countries + candidate countries + neighbouring countries + Mediterranean basin = 45 countries
 - To be used as research instrument by ESPON projects in order to improve data collection for the common platform
 - Description of the data sets (e.g. features, structure)
 - References of the data sets (e.g. publications, contact)
 - Outcome – constantly updated – published under www.espon.lu

ESPON 4.1 Data Navigator

- Themes to be covered (I):
 - Spatial typologies, geography
 - Population developments and movements
 - Employment, unemployment, commuting and labour market
 - Wealth, production, enterprises and investment
 - Transport, telecommunication and information society
 - Research and development
 - Utilities and energy
 - Household oriented infrastructure, e.g. health, education, vocational training, amenities

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- Themes to be covered (II):
 - Land use, settlement structure
 - Environment, e.g. water, air, waste
 - Agriculture, forestry and viticulture
 - Social situation, income and expenses
 - Housing, equipment, housing prices and market
 - Cultural sites, e.g. theatres, arts, museums
 - Tourism: demand, infrastructure, performance
 - Public sector
 - Elections

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■ Data Navigator Luxembourg (I):

- Data scope:
 - ~ 400 data sets for regional data in Luxembourg
 - Main contributions by
 - Statec (Mr. Zacharias) and official statistics,
 - Datur (Mr. Wagner, Mr. Peters, Mr. Tholl) and
 - CEPS (Mr. Bousch)
 - Concise and extensive inventory of Luxembourg data collection
- Data access:
 - General: easily accessible publications (e.g. statistical yearbook, rapport d'activité)
 - Resp. Statec: well elaborated web-site with data request function under www.statec.lu

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- Data Navigator Luxembourg (II):
 - Data quality:
 - Only little variations in data gathering methods and classifications
 - Variation in regional units, e.g. touristic regions
 - R&D data not fully developed
 - Data availability:
 - Most data refer to NUTS 3-level = national level or NUTS 5-level = municipal level
 - Regional level (NUTS 4) not yet fully established
 - Data gaps mainly concerning the requirement of regional data, e.g. on the fields of labour market, business activities, infrastructure, cultural inventories, telecommunication

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■ Conclusions:

- Data Navigator is helpful to meet the demand of regional data provided by national statistics for ESPON projects, however remaining problems of comparability
- Demand of the ESPON projects goes far beyond: more European-wide harmonised data concerning e.g.
 - Data gathering methods and procedures
 - Definitions of data sets
 - Classifications of data, e.g. ISCED 97
 - Spatial completeness
 - Data storage
- Long term objective to make proposals for EUROSTAT and INSPIRE initiative (Community + national statistical and cartographical institutes)