



REGIONAL STUDIES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2019

*Pushing Regions beyond their Borders*

University of Santiago de Compostela, Santiago de Compostela, Spain

5th – 7th June 2019

## **POLICY THURSDAY, 6th June 2019**

The RSA will hold its third POLICY DAY on 6th June 2019 as part of the RSA's Annual Conference. The day will feature plenary presentations, panels, special sessions and paper sessions on issues and inputs concerned with place-based policies.

### **POLICY PANEL**

Organised in partnership with the Directorate-General for Regional Policy of the European Commission, Belgium.

This panel will discuss how to promote growth of jobs in cross border regions and aims to go beyond the EU cooperation programmes. Despite the single market, obstacles are still present in border regions and strong cooperation requires multilevel engagement. In particular, legal and administrative obstacles often require national governments to engage with regional and local stakeholders to find solutions. The EU is promoting new tools such as the European Cross Border Mechanism and new approaches to support cooperation through both dedicated cooperation programmes and the mainstream programmes.

### **Panellists:**

Ignacio Sanchez Amor, Secretary of State for Territorial Cooperation, Spain

Nathalie Vershelde, Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Regional and Urban Policy, Unit D2 – Interreg, Cross-Border Cooperation, internal borders, Brussels, Belgium

Jesús Gamallo, General Director for External Relations and EU, Regional Government of Galicia, Spain

Dr Franziska Sielker, Senior Research Associate, Department of Land Economy, University of Cambridge, UK and Interim Professor, International Planning Studies, Technical University of Dortmund, Germany

### **What's included in the Policy Thursday Day Rate?**

We offer a special **POLICY THURSDAY** day rate for Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2019. The **POLICY THURSDAY** registration rate is £100 (€112) for members and £150 (c. 168€) for non-members and includes:

- Access to all conference sessions on Thursday 6th June 2019
- Lunch and two refreshment breaks at the conference venue on Thursday 6th June 2019
- All conference materials and access to the conference app

**How to register?**

To register for the **POLICY THURSDAY**, 6th June 2019, please sign up and pay the day rate at <https://members.regionalstudies.org/lounge/Meetings/Meeting?ID=226>

If you require more details or an invoice please contact the conference's manager Lesa Reynolds at [lesa.reynolds@regionalstudies.org](mailto:lesa.reynolds@regionalstudies.org), +44 (0) 1273 669 017.