

Measuring Geographical Mobility in Regional Labour Market Monitoring Approaches

In the discourses on geographical mobility, regions are rarely present although geographical mobility is relevant for regions and localities. For example, structurally weak areas very often face strong out-migration, especially of young and skilled labour, although these areas have invested a lot of resources in training and qualification. This type of intranational/intraregional mobility is true for a lot of rural regions in Western, Southern and Central Europe. It has strong impact on regional labour markets but also on the social systems and the composition of the age structure of the local population. Another phenomenon occurs in border-regions which can either have a huge influx of labour from neighbouring countries or the opposite with a considerable outmigration or outcommuting. This leads to changes in the dynamics of the regional/local labour markets. To develop adequate measures for convincing people to stay in regions or to move to specific localities, it requires transparency on the mobility behaviour of different age and gender groups, sets of professions and persons with different levels of qualification. Such transparency could be provided with Regional Labour Market Monitoring. However, conceptualising and measuring geographical mobility, especially from a regional or local perspective is not well established in most regional monitoring systems.

Therefore, the annual meeting 2011 of the European Network on Regional Labour Market Monitoring will provide opportunities to explore and develop the topic further. Best-practice examples and working groups will focus on different aspects of mobility monitoring. The exchange of network members and experts will provide a fertile ground for discussions and the creation of new ideas and concepts of how geographical mobility can be conceptualized and measured with a focus on regional labour markets.

The conference is open to all experts, practitioners and interested persons.

Location / Host

**3, Avenue de la Fonte; Esch-sur-Alzette/Belval
Luxembourg**

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The conference is free of charge.
The conference language will be English.

A shuttle train will be available for transfer from Luxembourg to Esch-sur-Alzette / Belval for all participants.

Contact / Registration

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Programme

PART I INTRODUCTION

- 09:00 h Greetings and Introduction
Georges Schroeder, CEPS/INSTEAD, Luxembourg
- 09:15 h Introduction & Presentation
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Philippe Van Kerm, CEPS/INSTEAD, Scientific Advisor, Luxembourg
- 09:30 h Presentation of the EURES-Network
Bernd Hallmanns, EURES, Luxembourg
- 09:45 h Coffee Break

PART II GOOD-PRACTICE-EXAMPLES

- 10:00 h Introduction
Christa Larsen, IWAK, Germany
- 10:15 h **Good PRACTICE EXAMPLE I: LUXEMBOURG AND THE GREATER REGION**
Raymond Meyers, University of Luxembourg and *Adrien Thomas*, CEPS/Instead, Luxembourg
- 11:00 h **Good PRACTICE EXAMPLE II: THE REGIONAL LABOUR MARKET AT THE BORDER ZONE OF AUSTRIA, HUNGARY, SLOVAKIA AND CZECH REPUBLIC**
Marc Bittner, Paul Lazarsfeld Society for Social Research, Austria

Perspectives from Luxembourg

- 11:45 h *Jacques Santer*, Former Prime Minister of Luxembourg and Former President of the EU Commission
- 12:00 h Presentation of the Belval project
Germain Dondelinger, Fonds Belval

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12:30 h Lunch Break

PART III WORKING GROUPS

- 13:30 h Parallel Working Groups 1-6
- 15:00 h Coffee Break
- 15:15 h Presentation and Discussion of the Results from Working Groups
Moderator:
Ronald McQuaid, Employment Research Institute Edinburgh Napier University, UK
- 16:30 h **PERSPECTIVES OF THE TOPIC FOR THE INITIATIVE NETWORKING REGIONAL LABOUR MARKET OBSERVATORIES ACROSS EUROPE**
Discussion
Moderator: Ronald McQuaid, Employment Research Institute Edinburgh Napier University, UK

PART IV NETWORK ACTIVITIES

- 17:00 h Review of and outlook on network activities
Ruth Hasberg, IWAK, Germany
- 17:15 h Outlook on the Annual Meeting 2012
- 17:45 h Closing Speech
Franz Clément, CEPS/INSTEAD, Luxembourg
Christa Larsen, IWAK, Germany
- 18:00 h End
- 20:00 h **Dinner**
 "Brasserie Alfa", 16, Place de la Gare, Luxembourg (Participants will have to cover the costs themselves)

Working Groups

WG 1: Labour Mobility from East to West in Europe

Moderators:

Jan Brzozowski, Cracow University of Economics, Poland
Daniel Porep, LASA Brandenburg, Germany

WG 2: Labour Mobility in Western Europe

Moderators:

Jacob Løbner Pedersen, Project Jobs and Competences in the Oresund Region, Denmark
Andrew Dean, Marchmont Observatory, University of Exeter, UK

WG 3: Mobility as a Multilocality Concept

Moderators:

Sigrid Rand, IWAK, Germany
Mattia Martini, CRISP, Italy

WG 4: Mobility of Skilled Workers in Europe

Moderators:

Jean-Lin Chaix, CEREQ, France
Yvette Grelet, CEREQ, France

WG 5: Mobility of Unskilled Workers in Europe

Moderators:

Patrizio di Nicola, La Sapienza University Rome, Italy
Marie Valentova, CEPS/Instead, Luxembourg

WG 6: Labour Mobility from outside of the EU

Moderators:

Marco Ricceri, European Institute of Political, Economic, and Social Studies (EURISPES), Italy
Christa Larsen, IWAK, Germany