

XXII Meeting of the METREX Managing Committee, Vicenza, Saturday 26 May 2007

Location Chioistro Santa Corona,
VICENZA,
Italy,

MINUTES

SATURDAY 26 MAY 9.45 – 13.00

1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

The Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting was attended by over 100 participants representing 33 of the 48 METREX Member metropolitan regions and areas. The Managing Committee (MC) meeting was attended by 49 colleagues representing 25 Member areas. The issue of attendance at the MC meetings is considered under item 8B below.

The meeting welcomed new Members from the Regionalplanung Zürich und Umgebung (RZU) and the Moscow Institute for the Master Plan of Moscow (Government of Moscow). During the Meeting the Secretariat was informed that the Saxon Triangle (Dresden, Leipzig, Halle, Chemnitz), Istanbul and Sofia are completing the steps required for membership. Other metropolitan areas are also in the process of joining and the METREX target of a fully representative European membership of 50 metropolitan regions and areas has now almost been achieved.

The attendance at the MC is recorded in Appendix 1

2 MINUTES OF THE SZCZECIN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The biennial General Assembly took place on Saturday 30 September 2006 during the METREX Szczecin 10th Anniversary Conference.

The Minutes were approved by the MC meeting

3 INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

3A Madrid International Congress - May 2006

The Comunidad de Madrid has published the Proceedings of the Madrid Congress in book form and copies were made available to METREX Members at the MC meeting. The Proceedings constitute a substantive and potentially influential body of thought and opinion and have been published, fully and with illustrations, within some nine months of the Congress. This is a major achievement and a considerable investment by the Comunidad in progressing metropolitan spatial planning and development in Madrid and in Europe. Colleagues from Madrid were thanked for their foresight and imagination in promoting and sponsoring the Congress and for enabling METREX to be associated with it.

Copies of the Proceedings will be posted by the METREX Secretariat to Member areas not attending the MC meeting. The Secretariat will also liaise with the Comunidad to make arrangements for wider international circulation

3B European Neighbourhood Policy

DG External Relations (DG RELEX) attended the Meeting on Friday 25 May and presented the EU Neighbourhood Policy (ENP). It was made clear that metropolitan authorities and bodies have a role to play in promoting and fostering EU values and a wider area of stability and security. From 2008 there will be a fund of some €14m through which this role could be pursued.

It was agreed that the Secretariat should seek to arrange a meeting in Brussels between the President, the four METREX Ambassadors and neighbouring metropolitan areas (Minsk, Kiev, Odessa, Chisinau, Alexandria, Tunis and Rabat) to explore the potential to exchange knowledge and understanding on issues of common interest such as climate change, sustainable economic and social development and connectivity. DG RELEX could also be invited to the meeting to set the ENP context

3C METREX/Shanghai International Seminar - 10-18 November 2007 (new dates)

During the Meeting the METREX delegation to Shanghai met Xiaocun Ruan, of ds+v Rotterdam, who has kindly agreed to be the Project Coordinator for the METREX/Shanghai International Seminar. The Programme for the Seminar was discussed (see Appendix 1) and agreed in principle. The METREX delegation has now almost reached its limit with 13 European metropolitan areas represented by 24 METREX colleagues (see Appendix 1).

This position was presented to the MC for information. Xiaocun Ruan will now progress the Programme with a potential partner authority in Shanghai, possible Tongji University, and confirm Chinese speakers. The Secretariat will shortly circulate an outline Seminar portfolio to the METREX delegation with the Programme, logistics, delegation details and costs

3D Moscow International Seminar

The International Co-operation Programme, signed at the Szczecin General Assembly, has been proceeding and a first Progress Report has been produced (see the METREX web site).

The Secretariat will produce a second Progress Report for METREX/Moscow colleagues involved in the Co-operation Programme and place this on the METREX web site

4 EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

4A Updated Opinion of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) Metropolitan Areas

The EESC updated Opinion was published on 23 April 2007 and recommended to the European Commission that,

- A Green Paper on metropolitan areas should be published
- A shared European Perspective should be provided through collaboration between metropolitan areas, Member States and European institutions
- Eurostat should provide reliable and comparable data on metropolitan areas
- ESPON should lead a process of defining the boundaries of metropolitan areas according to a limited list of data

The METREX Expert Group on Lisbon Indicators, led by IAURIF, is progressing the consideration of comparable metropolitan data and boundaries. METREX has been invited to contribute to the ESPON Seminar in Bonn, from 12-13 June, which has been convened to discuss the ESPON

Research Programme for 2007 onwards. The findings and conclusions of the Expert Group will be contributed to the Seminar and the EESC Opinion Recommendations will be supported. The European Commission has also published the EU Territorial Agenda, which clarifies the issues of greatest concern.

The European Spatial Observation Network (ESPON) held a Seminar at the offices of the Committee of the Regions in April 2007 to discuss its programme of research for the coming years. METREX participated in this and proposed work to define European metropolitan areas, as also advocated by the EESC (see above). METREX also advocated the establishment of a forum of stakeholders in the EU Territorial Agenda with a view to the production of an integrated European framework or perspective, perhaps a reviewed and updated version of the 1999 European Spatial Development Perspective (ESDP). On the basis of subsidiarity, an integrated spatial planning and development approach is required at the European, National, regional and metropolitan levels. The PolyMETREXplus *Framework* document, referred to above, could be seen as a contribution to this process.

Appendix 2 includes an abstract of the key issues in the draft EU Territorial Agenda. There is some common ground with the METREX Agenda and Programme (see item 6 below) but no reference to the need for a pan European Territorial Framework or updated European Spatial Development Perspective (ESDP).

ESPON will also hold a further Seminar in Bonn in June 2007 to continue discussion of its research programme. ESPON, as the European network of research institutions, has offered to progress research topics suggested by practitioners and networks such as METREX. The Secretariat will attend the Bonn Seminar and suggest a pan European comparative study into expenditure and consumption. This could include, for example, expenditure on housing, transportation, leisure and tourism and retail expenditure (convenience and comparison expenditure) where there are consequential planning and development implications.

METREX Members are invited to suggest to the Secretariat further research topics that they would like ESPON to take forward

4B METREX and Brussels Open Days 8-11 October 2007

Making it happen - Regions deliver growth and jobs

A METREX Conglomerate Application has been approved to hold two Brussels Open Days Workshops in Scotland House, Brussels, with seven METREX Members contributing. All METREX Members are cordially invited to attend (see http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/conferences/od2007 for Open Days programme details)

5 METREX INITIATIVES AND PROJECTS

5A InterMETREX and InterMETREXplus

The outcomes and outputs of the InterMETREX project and InterMETREX extension on Climate change/Urban change were presented to the METREX Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting on Friday 25 May 2007 by the Lead Partner and the Tyndall Centre respectively.

The Lead Partner reported specifically on the application of the Benchmark and its use by partners to assess and improve the effectiveness of their current spatial planning and development practice.

The Tyndall Centre reported on the successful application of the Greenhouse gas Regional Inventory Project (GRIP) model in the partner areas of Glasgow and the Clyde Valley, Stockholm, Emilia-Romagna and Veneto and the investigation of Mitigation Scenarios in Glasgow.

Colleagues from metropolitan Hamburg offered to promote and host a Conference on the issue of Climate change/Urban change in November 2007 and to produce a handbook of mitigation practice prior to this based on the experience and knowledge of METREX Members.

The West Zone Interreg IIIC Secretariat contributed to the Meeting on Friday 25 May and outlined the prospective basis for Interreg IVC. It is expected that Interreg IVC will favour smaller partnerships (up to 12 partners) acting over 2-3 years. There will be one Interreg IVC Secretariat and Paying Authority (Nord-Pas de Calais) based in Lille. There have been procedural auditing and claiming problems with InterMETREX and PolyMETREXplus where partners have had to obtain central government approvals. This has also affected the payment of common project Operational Costs.

Having regard to all these considerations the Secretariat presented the following option for making an Interreg IVC Application to roll out the use and application of the GRIP model across all 100+ recognised European metropolitan regions and areas. The idea is that the full METREX membership should participate, in what is a crucial issue of common concern and priority, through their membership of METREX but as one collective project partner. The detailed arrangements for this will be set out in a detailed Prospectus to be circulated shortly.

- Prospectus - June/July 2007 - Activities, Programme, Budget, outcomes and outputs
- Prospective partners meeting to form the partnership - July 2007
- 7 European climatic zones represented by 7 core partners, plus 40+ other METREX Members represented, collectively, through METREX?
- Interreg IVC Call for Proposals - 21/27 September 2007
- Prospective partners meeting - Outline Application, Partnership Agreement - early October 2007
- Zaragoza Meeting 24-27 October 2007 - Partner meeting to finalise Application
- Hamburg Conference - Best practice - 27/28 November 2007
- Interreg IV Applications - November/December 2007
- InterMETREXplus approval March 2008?
- Start of project April 2008?
- METREX/ North Virginia, USA, Seminar on sustainable development (climate change) April 2008

The Secretariat will proceed with the production of a project Prospectus for circulation to all METREX Members in June/July 2007

The Managing Committee met as the InterMETREX Steering Committee to hear a report by the Project Coordinator, Alastair Wyllie, on a 2% overspend on Operational Costs. The Steering Committee approved a levy of €737.87 per Partner (28 partners) to cover this sum

5B PolyMETREXplus

A meeting of the PolyMETREXplus Steering Committee took place, at the Boscolo De La Ville hotel in Vicenza, on Wednesday 23 May 2007. The Committee addressed a number of project management and coordination issues, including the extension of the project to November 2007 to allow the Representative Interregional Networking Activities (RINA) second phase of the project to be completed.

The METREX summary report on the first phase of the project (Framework for a polycentric metropolitan Europe, Action Plan and Benchmark) and progress with the RINA was reported to the METREX Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting on Thursday 24 May. The METREX report, *Framework*, which will include RINA summaries in due course, can be downloaded from the METREX web site for Member interest. The report is essentially for the information of METREX Members, the use of the Network in supporting the production of a European Framework or Perspective (see item 5A above) or the use of Members in taking forward RINA through Interreg IVC.

Further progress with the project and its outcomes and outputs will be reported to the METREX Zaragoza Meeting, from 24-27 October 2007.

5C Interreg IVB and C Projects Market

An Interreg IVB and C Projects Market was held during the METREX Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting on Friday 25 May, the initiative of colleagues from Germany. Sixteen project ideas were tabled together with expressions of interest in common projects. Short presentations were made on a selection of these together with a PolyMETREXplus contribution from Dr. Albert Seratossa (since published on the METREX web site as Discussion Note 12). These ideas are summarised in Appendix 4 and can be viewed in full on the METREX web site under the Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting button.

METREX colleagues are invited to send expressions of interest in participating in these projects to the colleagues concerned and to kindly keep the Secretariat informed

5D Expert Group - Major Infrastructure in Metropolitan Regions

The first meeting of the Expert Group on Major Infrastructure was held in Stuttgart from 22-24 November 2006. Two Case Study presentations were made by the Verband Region Stuttgart, as the host, and seven by colleagues from Torino, South East England Development Agency (SEEDA) UK, IAURIF, Grand Lyon, Hamburg, Berlin-Brandenburg and Sofia. Appendix 4 shows the issues dealt with. A further Workshop will be held in spring 2008 on the issues of Planning procedures and public involvement and Impact analysis. A full report on the first Workshop has been prepared by colleagues from Stuttgart and can be downloaded from the METREX web site at www.eurometrex.org.

METREX Members with an involvement in these and related issues are invited to express their interest to the Verband Region Stuttgart. The UK is currently reviewing its planning procedures in order to enable major infrastructure projects to be assessed more quickly. It may be appropriate to hold the second Workshop in the UK and the Secretariat will make inquiries about this.

5E Expert Group - Lisbon Indicators

The Expert Group on Lisbon Indicators held a progress meeting on Wednesday 23 May, prior to the METREX Meeting. The outcome was reported to the Managing Committee by IAURIF and support was sought for the early completion of the Indicators Pro Form prepared by IAURIF. The objective is to promote the creation of a pan European comparative database on Lisbon Indicators, which will enable the authoritative definition of European metropolitan regions (see also item 4A above).

IAURIF and the Secretariat will liaise to progress these objectives and the issue will be raised with ESPON at the Bonn Seminar from 12/13 June to discuss the future ESPON research programme

6 THE WAY FORWARD FOR METREX - *Intentions*

The Szczecin General Assembly recognised that METREX activities for the coming decade would have a longer-term component, the METREX Agenda, and a more immediate component, the METREX Programme for the coming two years to the next General Assembly. Both the Agenda and Programme were produced in draft after the Szczecin General Assembly and circulated as *Intentions*. This document will complement *Impressions* that was produced to record the activities of the Network over its first decade.

The Secretariat will now proceed with the production on *Intentions*, to include the outcomes of the Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting

- 1 Responses to the President's Questionnaire to Members in December 2005.
- 2 The concluding remarks of Professor Sir Peter Hall at the Madrid International Congress in May 2006.
- 3 The Powerpoint contributions of Members, Looking back/Looking forward.
- 4 The outcome of the METREX Szczecin 10th Anniversary Conference Open Space sessions reported to the closing session of the event on Friday 29 September.

The Secretariat produced and circulated an early draft of METREX *Intentions*, with the METREX December 2006 mailing, to include the proposed two-year Programme, for consideration by the Managing Committee at the Veneto Meeting. *Intentions* can also be downloaded from the METREX web site.

7 FINANCIAL REPORT, ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT FOR 2006

7A Financial Report and Accounts

METREX Accounts and the Financial Report (Income and Expenditure and Profit and Loss) for the period 1 July to 31 December 2006 are attached as Appendix Y. The METREX Accountant reported on the Accounts and observed that 2006 had been a particularly difficult year for the Network, in financial terms, because of the need to support the Madrid International Congress, promoted by the Comunidad de Madrid and generously held in association with METREX, the Szczecin METREX 10th Anniversary Conference, the Moscow International Seminar, the extension of the InterMETREX project and the content of the PolyMETREXplus project. In addition, the financial resources available to the Network were diminished because of the delay in receiving the substantial EU co-funding for PolyMETREXplus for the period 2003-2006.

However, this co-funding was eventually received in February 2007 and the Network has now regained its financial stability. The deficits incurred in 2006 have been repaid and it is planned to have a working balance of €25,000 in place by the end of the year. This is about 10% of the annual subscription income and will ensure that the Network does not experience cash flow problems in the future. Members have responded to the need to make their annual subscription payments on time and over 50% were received by the due date of 31 March 2007.

The Secretariat will issue Statements of Account to 31 May 2007 to those Members who have yet to pay

7B METREX audit for 2006

The METREX Treasurer/Auditor, Olli Lahtinen of Helsinki City Council, has audited METREX income and expenditure for the financial period 1 July to 31 December 2006

8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

8A Dates for Meetings/Conferences in 2007/2008

24-27 October 2007	Zaragoza autumn Meeting. Theme H2O. Initiating the Interreg IVC Climate change/Urban change project
10-18 November	METREX/Shanghai International Seminar
27-28 November 2007	Hamburg Conference on Climate change
Spring 2008	Amsterdam Meeting
Spring 2008	Northern Virginia (USA) Conference
Autumn 2008	London bi-ennial Conference

8B METREX Meetings and Conferences

The MC meeting considered the option of holding future METREX Meetings over three days (Wednesday to Friday) rather than three and a half days (Wednesday to Saturday morning).

Wednesday has now become a Networking day for those Members who are involved in some Projects or Expert Groups. It offers an opportunity to hold progress meetings. However, not all Members are involved. Thursday is the Host's Day, where the issues for consideration and debate are chosen by the host. An orientation visit is followed or preceded by the presentation of the regional and metropolitan context and the key issues. Friday can include European and METREX affairs and Saturday is for the MC Meeting.

A number of colleagues made the following relevant observations during the Meeting or at the MC meeting.

- The MC meeting could be a business only meeting concentrating on the management and administration of the Network, its activities and Programme. Reporting back on Projects or the work of Expert Groups could be included in the METREX sessions on the Friday. This might enable MC meetings to be reduced to perhaps 2+ hours and in due course to be included in the Thursday or Friday. This might also improve attendance, which can drop on the Saturday.
- However, for a full two-day meeting of METREX it is necessary to stay for three nights, otherwise return travel time intrudes into the second day. Three nights (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) allows Wednesday afternoon to be used for networking (Projects and Expert Groups), a dinner on the Friday night and a short MC meeting on the Saturday morning, perhaps from 9.00-11.00.
- The Open Space sessions, suggested at the Madrid MC meeting and adopted for the Szczecin Conference, were felt to be helpful for exploratory interactive discussions at Conferences, which could then lead to issues being included in the METREX Agenda (longer term) and Programme (shorter term).
- However, at Meetings it was felt that a more structured and targeted approach makes better use of time. For example, issues for consideration on the Host's Day could be identified in advance and discussion papers circulated. Experts could be identified as speakers.

It was suggested and agreed that the Zaragoza Meeting should have regard to these considerations and include a structured Host's Day, a themed Europe/METREX day on the Friday, a concise reporting back session on Project and Expert Group outcomes and outputs and a business orientated MC meeting on the Saturday morning from 9.00-11.00

After discussion with METREX colleagues from Prague and Amsterdam, it has been decided to hold the METREX spring 2008 Meeting in Amsterdam, rather than Prague. The London 2008 Conference has been confirmed. The dates for both these 2008 events will be confirmed shortly and the membership informed.

Appendix 1

Sederunt - Meeting of the Managing Committee, Saturday 26 May 2007

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Grahame	Buchan	Glasgow and Clyde Valley Structure Plan Joint Committee
Pablo	Calvo	Diputación Provincial de Zaragoza
Oana	Cojacuru	Oradea Metropolitan Area
Max	Cowan	METREX Interpretariat
Genevieve	Danchin	IAURIF
Markus	Egermann	Leibniz-Institute of Ecological and Regional Development
Gabriele	Engel	Marketingverein Metropolregion Nürnberg
Marc	Fermin	METREX Interpretariat
Gianfranco	Fiora	Provincia di Torino
Rolf-Barnim	Foth	Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg
Francesca	Franzin	Regione del Veneto
Noemi	Giordano	Regione Piemonte
Vincent	Goodstadt	METREX Secretariat
Douglas	Gordon	Helsinki City Planning Department
Silvia	Grassi	Regione Emilia-Romagna
Alicia	Harland	METREX Interpretariat
Hans	Hede	Stockholm County Council
Irma	Karjalainen	YTV Helsinki Metropolitan Area Council
Ewa	Kurjata	Municipality of Szczecin
Timucin	Kurt	Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality
Markku	Lahti	Helsinki City Planning Department
Olli	Lahtinen	City of Helsinki
Alberto	Leboreiro Amaro	Comunidad de Madrid
Dominique	Lecomte	IAURIF
Jürgen	Ludwig	Verband Region Stuttgart
Klaus	Mandel	Verband Region Rhein-Neckar
Adriano	Muratori	METREX Interpretariat
Tim	Page	METREX Webmaster
Lilian-Angeliki	Palla	Organisation of Athens
Douglas	Pickford	Northern Virginia Regional Commission
Roger	Read	METREX Secretariat
Philip	Robinson	South Coast Metropole (UK)
Lea	Rosenbohm	German Marshall Fund
Jens	Scheller	Planungsverband Ballungsraum Frankfurt/Rhein-Main
Magdalini	Segkouni	Organisation of Thessaloniki
Hans	Smit	City of Amsterdam
Bernd	Steinacher	Verband Region Stuttgart
Romeo	Toffano	Regione del Veneto
Claudio	Tolomelli	Regione Emilia-Romagna
Milan	Turba	Municipality of Prague
Jussi	Vuorinen	METREX Ambassador
Daniel	Wacinkiewicz	Municipality of Szczecin
Alastair	Wyllie	METREX Secretariat
Zygmunt	Ziobrowski	Krakow Institute of Urban Development

Appendix 2

Outline Programme for the METREX/Shanghai International Seminar 10-18 November 2007

<i>Day 1 Saturday</i>	<i>Travel to Shanghai and arrival on Sunday</i>
<i>Day 2 Sunday</i>	<i>General impression of Shanghai</i>
Day 3 Monday	New development of Shanghai, Pudong Deep sea Harbour
Day 4 Tuesday	Urban renewal projects and old City of Shanghai
Day 5 Wednesday	Seminar in Hotel with colleagues from Shanghai
Day 6 Thursday	Dong Tan Project, Zhongming Island
Day 7 Friday	Development of new town, Tsing Pu, or preservation of water town
<i>Day 8 Saturday</i>	<i>Departure</i>
<i>Day 9 Sunday</i>	<i>Travel from Shanghai and arrival on Sunday</i>

Prospective delegation for the METREX/Shanghai International Seminar

Stuttgart, Ile-de-France, Vilnius, Stockholm, Lombardia, Madrid, Lisbon. London, Rotterdam. Amsterdam, Helsinki, Torino, Thessaloniki and Istanbul (14 European metropolitan regions and areas)

1	Dr. Bernd STEINACHER	Regionaldirektor Verband Region Stuttgart President of METREX
2	Fred de RUITER	METREX Ambassador
3	Vincent GOODSTADT	METREX Head of European Relations
4	Alastair WYLLIE	METREX Head of Secretariat
5	Marc FERMIN	METREX Interpretariat (FR)
6	Xiaocun RUAN	Seminar Coordinator, Rotterdam City Council, ds+v
7	Dr. Jürgen LUDWIG	Project Manager, Verband Region Stuttgart
8	Gilles ANTIER	Director of international affairs, IAURIF
9	Jean-Pierre PALISSE	Deputy managing director, IAURIF
10	Vincent FOUCHIER	Director of the master plan, IAURIF

11	Linas SINKEVICIUS	Project Manager, Municipal Enterprise, Vilnius Planas
12	Hans HEDE	Senior Regional Planner, Stockholm County Council
13	Luisa PERDAZZINI	Executive of the Unit Territorial Programmes and Plans, Regione Lombardia
14	Alberto LEBOREIRO AMARO	Subdirector de Planificación Regional, Comunidad de Madrid
15	Eng. José MINISTRO DOS SANTOS	Vice-President, Metropolitan Area of Lisbon
16	Ms. Dalila ARAUJO	Secretary-General, Metropolitan Area of Lisbon
17	Kevin REID (invited)	Senior Planner/Strategist, Greater London Authority
18	Martin AARTS	Expert Urban Planning, Afdeling Ruimtelijke Ordering, Rotterdam City Council
19	Olli LAHTINEN	Helsinki City Council
20	Douglas GORDON	Helsinki City Council
21	Giorgio GIANI	Minister for Pianificazione territoriale, Difesa, del Suolo e Protezione Civile, Provincia di Torino
22	Ginafranco FIORA	Architetto, Servizio Urbanistica, Provincia di Torino
23	Magdalini SEGKOUNI	EU Programmes, Organisation of Thessaloniki
24	Timucin KURT	Istanbul Metropolitan Authority
25	Zef HEMEL	Stad Amsterdam
26	Hans SMIT	Stad Amsterdam

Appendix 3

Abstract of key issues emerging from the EU Territorial Agenda (final draft May 2007)

Territorial challenges

- Sustainable development and climate change
- Rising energy prices and new forms of energy supply
- Global economic competition and the accelerating integration of regions
- Impacts of EU enlargement on social, economic and territorial cohesion particularly with regard to transport and energy infrastructure
- Overexploitation of ecological and cultural resources and loss of biodiversity
- Ongoing and poorly controlled urban sprawl
- Demographic change and an aging population
- In and out migration and internal migration and their effects on labour and housing markets and how people live together in cities and regions

New territorial priorities for the development of the EU

- Strengthening polycentrism and innovation by networking of city regions and cities
- New forms of partnership and territorial governance between rural and urban areas
- Promotion of clusters of competition and innovation across borders
- Strengthening and extension of Trans-European networks
- Trans European risk management including the impacts of climate change
- Strengthening ecological structures and cultural resources for a new approach to development

Appendix 4

Project Market Place at the METREX Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting on Friday 25 May

Summary of proposed project ideas (see the METREX web site under the Veneto (Vicenza) Meeting button for detailed presentations on these ideas)

Frankfurt/Rhein-Main

- 1 Climate Change – Action tools in planning - operation levels region and city/town**
- 2 Development of city centres – public spaces and revitalisation of vacant stores and facilities**

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- 3 Activating local capital - the ALC project**

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- 4 The Metropolitan Regions' New Approach to Cohesion Politics**

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Helsinki

- 5 North-South Interface - Territorial Transnational Cooperation**
- 6 Gulf of Finland Transnational connectivity - Spatial Planning of Development Corridors between Helsinki, St. Petersburg and Talinn**

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- 7 Shaping of European Cooperation Centres on the Example of the Kraków- Upper Silesia Cluster" (KRUS)**

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12 Prevention, management and impact evaluation of climate change in the land planning process of broad areas

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13 Metropolitan governance; Mediterranean spatial perspective; climate change/urban change; metropolitan change; knowledge-based economy, regional economic change; new investment tools

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- 14 Metropolitan spatial planning – responses to climate change**
- 15 Analyse impacts of high speed train infrastructure on metropolitan economies and spatial planning (and ESDP)**

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Appendix 5

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4	Oradea metropolitan area	Barna CIPRIAN
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6	Area metropolitana do Porto	Albano CARNEIRO
7	Metropolegion Rhein-Neckar	Klemens GRÖGER
8	Provincia di Roma	Maria PREZIOSO
9	Verband Region-Stuttgart	Jürgen LUDWIG
10	Valencia metropolitana	José Quintas ALONSO
11	Randstad Holland	Walter Manshanden
12	London, GLA economics	Alan FREEMAN
13	Organisation of Athens	Catherine SYKIANAKI

	Organisation	Geographical limits	Surface	Population	GDP Employment		
			km2	thousand	billion euros	thousand	year
1	Helsinki	administrative region	3,091	1,252	44	614	2004-2005
2	Lisboa	administrative region	2,935	2,779	51	na	2003-2005
3	Madrid	administrative region	8,022	5,964	160	2,901	2004-2005
4	Oreada	administrative region	610	242	na	95	2,004
5	Paris	administrative region	12,012	11,362	480	5,345	2004-2005
		FUR	19,681	11,861	446	5,351	2,002
6	Porto	administrative region	1,575	1,577	17	487	2004-2005
		administrative region	5,637	2,360	68	775	2004-2005
7	Rhein-Neckar	FUA	3,325	1,931	59	645	2004-2005
		administrative region	5,352	3,832		1,564	2,005
9	Stuttgart	administrative region	3,654	2,668	93	1,029	2004-2005
		FUR	6,163	3,446	113	1,268	2004-2005
		adm. region (AMAV)	628	1,478	29	620	2004-2005
10	Valencia	FUR (MADD)	1,212	1,655	34	726	2004-2005
		Provincia (NUTS 3)	10,806	2,416	45	1,070	2,005
11	London	FUR (LAU2)	12,320	12,766		6,388	2,001
12	Randstad	FUR		6,659	235	3,645	2,005

Appendix 5

METREX Expert Group on Lisbon Indicators

	Structural indicators selection	Unit	Years 1995 to 2005
	POPULATION		
1	Population growth (31/12)	1995 = 100	
	GDP		
2	Per capita GDP in PPS	EU 25 = 100	
3	Real GDP growth (base 2000)	1995 = 100	
4	Labour productivity (GDP in PPS per person employed)	EU 25 = 100	
	EMPLOYMENT		
5	Total employment growth	1995 = 100	
6	Total employment rate (15-64)	%	
7	Employment rate / women (15-64)	%	
8	Employment rate / men (15-64)	%	
9	Employment rate / total / older workers (55-64)	%	
10	Employment rate / women older workers (55-64)	%	
11	Employment rate / men older workers (55-64)	%	
	LABOUR FORCE		
12	Unemployment rate / total	%	
13	Unemployment rate / men	%	
14	Unemployment rate / women	%	
15	Long term unemployment (> 12 months) as a % of the total active population	%	
	KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY		
16	Higher education graduates (25-59) (in % of the population of same age group)	%	
17	Gross domestic expenditure on R & D as a % of GDP	%	
18	Business investment (Gross fixed capital formation in the private sector as a % of GDP)	%	
	SOCIAL COHESION		
19	At risk of poverty rate after social transferts	%	

Appendix 6

METREX Expert Group on Major Infrastructure

Progress Report by the lead partner to the Veneto (Vicenza) MC meeting

Aim of the Expert Group

To exchange on crucial issues related to planning, development and effects of major infrastructure in metropolitan regions and areas.

Issues for consideration

- Planning issues (approaches, instruments, integration, assessment)
- Decision making (players, levels, priorities, processes, relevance of planning)
- Financing (financing partners, burden sharing)
- Effects on regional development (economy, transport, environment)
- Successes, failures, lessons learned

First Workshop of the Expert Group from 22-14 November 2006 in Stuttgart

Study tour and Case Studies. A full report on the First Workshop can be downloaded from the METREX web site at www.eurometrex.org.

Stuttgart Region introduction

- **Stuttgart Region and large infrastructures**
Regionaldirektor Dr. Bernd STEINACHER, President of METREX
- **Stuttgart 21 and S-Bahn extension scheme**
Dr. Dirk VALLÉE, Head of Planning, Verband Region Stuttgart
- **Landscape Parks as Green Infrastructure: From concepts to projects**
Silvia WEIDENBACHER and Manfred MEISTER, Verband Region Stuttgart

Trans European Transport Infrastructure - projects and effects on regional development

- **Case study 1 - TEN corridors and metropolitan infrastructure: the case of corridor V**
Dott. Gianfranco FIORA, Provincia di Torino, ITALY
- **Case study 2 - High Speed Train activities in North West Europe**
Gösta WEBER, HST4i Project Co-ordinator, Development and Infrastructure Division (DID) South East England Development Agency (SEEDA), Guildford, UNITED KINGDOM

Airports as gateways in metropolitan regions - economic relations and planning issues

- **Case study 3 - Roissy-Charles des Gaulle airport related to the Ile-de-France Region new Master plan**

Eric HUYBRECHTS, Pole Aménagement du territoire et relations inter-métropoles IAURIF, FRANCE

Airports as gateways in metropolitan regions: economic relations and planning issues

- **Case study 4 - Greater Lyon: upgrading congress and exhibition structures/ welcoming major events, the policy to position Saint Exupéry Airport as the second gateway to France**

Three major facilities integrated within the "Lyon Top 15" strategy, to strengthen the international attractiveness of the METROPOLIS

Benoit QUIGNON, Director General of Grand Lyon, FRANCE; Anne-Sophie Guiot, Strategy advisor on infrastructure and international issues, Grand Lyon, FRANCE

Sea ports as logistics and development poles

- **Case study 5 - Regional cooperation, logistics and clusters: the case of Hamburg Metropolitan Area**

Guido SEMPELL, Department for Urban Development and the Environment, Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, GERMANY

Urban fabric and transport hubs in metropolitan regions

- **Case study 6 - Two main hubs for Berlin: Main Station and Berlin Brandenburg International Airport**

Dr. Ulrike ASSIG, Joint Planning Department of Berlin and Brandenburg, Potsdam, GERMANY

- **Case study 7 - Transport infrastructures and landscape park project in the Sofia Metropolitan Region**

Dr. Veliana NAYDENOVA, landscape architect, chief expert Leisure and Green System; Vessela NEDEVA, transport planning engineer, chief expert Transport System; Georgette RAFILOVA, architect, expert City centres and Social infrastructure; SofProect, Sofia, BULGARIA

Prospective Second Workshop

Issues for consideration at the Second Workshop in spring 2008

- Planning procedures and public involvement
- Impact analysis

Appendix 7

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 December 2006

	€	€	€
OPENING BANK BALANCE			(82,832)
MANAGEMENT			
Income			
Subscriptions	214,000		
Interest received	8		
Project co-funding	<u>6,903</u>		
		220,911	
Expenditure			
Secretary General	58,223		
Communications & management	39,655		
Project support - co-funded	15,515		
Project support - networking	3,887		
Interpretation & translation	27,695		
Travel, accommodation & subsistence	43,165		
Printing & copying	856		
Postage, stationery & telephone	4,523		
Accountancy	11,766		
Miscellaneous expenses	<u>16,705</u>		
		<u>221,990</u>	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(1,079)	
Conferences			
Income	9,338		
Expenditure	<u>6,572</u>		
		<u>2,816</u>	
NET INFLOW/(OUTFLOW) OF FUNDS			1,737
Exchange difference			(1,683)
CLOSING BANK BALANCE			<u>(82,778)</u>

Appendix 7 continued

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 December 2006

	Budget for year		Actual for year	
	€	€	€	€
MANAGEMENT				
Income				
Subscriptions	234,000		224,150	
Interest received	-		8	
Project co-funding	<u>34,000</u>	<u>268,000</u>	<u>8284</u>	<u>232,442</u>
Expenditure				
Secretary General	49,600		57,501	
Communications & management	26,520		42,614	
Project support - co-funded	68,000		70,307	
Project support - networking	38,000		3,887	
Interpretation & translation	30,000		35,099	
Travel, accommodation & subsistence	30,000		41,998	
Printing & copying	1,000		856	
Postage, stationery & telephone	5,500		4,570	
Accountancy	5,500		13,118	
Miscellaneous expenses	<u>13,000</u>		<u>13,447</u>	
		<u>267,120</u>		<u>283,397</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		880		(50,955)
Conference				
Income	-		9,388	
Expenditure	-		6,572	
		-		2,816
Currency fluctuation		-		(2,941)
PROFIT/(LOSS)		<u>880</u>		<u>(51,080)</u>

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