**Friday 16 May 2014**

**METREX Day**

**Themes**
- Part 1 - Territorial Scenarios and Visions for Europe
- Part 2 - Planning and Sustainability in the time of financial crisis

**Conference Venue**
New Town Hall / Neues Rathaus  
Martin-Luther-Ring 4-6  
04109 Leipzig  
Room 258 (Sitzungssaal) / Obere Wandelhalle, Room 171, Room 260 and Room 270

**Programme**

**METREX Central Germany spring 2014 Conference**

**13.00 - 14.00** Gathering - METREX Solidarity

The Gathering will enable an open and informal discussion with colleagues from Southern Europe hosted by the President and the Secretary General.

**14.00 - 16.00** World Café - Current affairs

The World Café works as a process of active and stimulating exchange between colleagues on issues of current interest to METREX Members. Over the two hours of the Café colleagues can change tables every 30 minutes and have the opportunity to explore the range of issues on offer for discussion.

**14.00 - 14.15** Introduction World Café

The World Café has been devised by METREX Vice President Juliane Kürschner who will give an introduction to the proceedings.

*Tea and coffee will be available during the World Café*

**14.15 - 16.15** World Café

**Discussion themes**

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<td>Sustainability - How can economic collaboration in metropolitan areas contribute to sustainable development throughout the region?</td>
<td>Governance in metropolitan areas - What can we learn from OECD research?</td>
<td>Growth and shrinkage in regions - What are the challenges that regions are facing?</td>
<td>Role of strategic planning - How can spatial planning be effective/be carried out in times of economic crisis?</td>
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**Table hosts**
- Markus EGERMANN
- Abel SCHUMANN (lbc)
- François DUGENY
- Alberto LEBOREIRO

**Moderator**
- Thomas KIWITT
- Juliane KURSCHNER
- Julian JANSEN
- Claudio TOLOMELLI

**Rapporteur**
- Kurt MITTRINGER
- Joost van IERSEL
- Hans BRATTSTROM
- Magda SEGKOUNI

**Language services**
- DE translation
- FR translation
- ES translation
- IT translation

**Guests**
METREX colleagues will proceed as groups from one table to another over the two hour World Café