The EURÉGIO project deals with regions and regionalism in the **European Union.** It addresses regions as territorial units and socio-political entities situated at an intermediate scale, between the local and State (central, federal) levels. At a time of regional reform in France, the objective is to appraise the knowledge, foster the debate and consider the evolutions of regions and regionalism in the of the European context construction, with examples and illustrations from the member-States of the European Union.

The project is based on a network of academic, professional stakeholders and civil partners developed by University of Lille 1, one of the most internationalised universities in France. The project is particularly linked to the master curriculum EUROStudies (European Studies for Territorial and Urban Development), within the master in Urbanism and Planning (Lille Institute of Planning and Urbanism, University of Lille 1).

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TVES : François Olivier Seys, Thomas Perrin, Elsa Delfort

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- The thematic is approached with 3 key-words that correspond to 3 Lille Jean Monnet Workshops:
  - Diversity (of regions)

- Complementarity (of regional governance)
- Cooperation (between regions)

These reflections will be developed and enriched all through the additional activities of the project and in the final Lille Jean Monnet Conference.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Lille Jean Monnet Workshop Regional diversity of European Union

### April 21st 2016

This workshop underlines the diversity of regional situations and organisations in Europe. It deals with the issues and incentives of region-building, and with the development of institutional links between regional authorities and European Union.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Lille Jean Monnet Workshop Dynamics of regional governance

#### December 7th 2016

This workshop addresses the relations and articulation of regions with other institutions and decision-making levels: States, metropolises, local authorities, EU institutions. It focuses on the place of regions in today's European multi-level governance system.

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Lille Jean Monnet Workshop Regions and territorial cooperation

### April 26<sup>th</sup> 2017

This workshop focuses on the territorial cooperation mechanisms developed in the context of the European Union (interregional networks, cross-border, regional representation) and questions the added value of these schemes for the development of regions and regionalism

#### Lille Jean Monnet Conference (closing conference)

# June, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> 2017

The conference delivers and appraises EURÉGIO main results and outcomes.

It opens perspectives on these phenomena in the light of current socio-political evolutions, for example: the 2014-2020 programming period of the European Union regional policy, the upsurge of regionalist claims in various States, the outlooks of the regional reform in France or, more generally, the evolution of the European Union as a polity.

#### Additional activities

In addition to the core events of the EURÉGIO programme, the 3 Lille Jean Monnet Worshops and the Lille Jean Monnet Conference, the project delivers additional activities that target in particular the students of the master in Urbanism and Planning (Lille Institute of Planning and Urbanism, University of Lille 1): lectures and courses, Lille Jean Monnet Students Workshops (AEJML: Ateliers Jean Monnet de Lille), Study Trips.

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