Project Jean Monnet of Lille
Programme Erasmus +
1st Lille Jean Monnet Workshop
Regional diversity of European Union

Thursday 21st April 2016
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The EUREGIO 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 objectives are to appraise the knowledge, foster the debate and consider the evolutions of regions and regionalism in the context of the European 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).

The project combines teaching, research and public events with project partners. Several deliverables for diffusion and dissemination will impact on target groups: scientific and academic publications, reports on the events and activities, outcomes of the student workshops linked with the labour market and conference in order to engage dialogue with civil society.

The thematic is approached with 3 key-words that correspond to 3 Lille Jean Monnet Workshops (2JML):

- **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.

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Further information and registration  

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Registration on http://euregio.univ-lille1.fr/project-events/workshop-1

9h : Opening by Philippe Rollet, president of University of Lille 1

9h30 to 10h : Re-invention of the region : why regional spaces matter ?  
Anssi Paasi (Univ. Oulu)

10h to 10h30 : State rescaling and emergence of the regional scale  
Michael Keating (Univ. Aberdeen)

10h30-11h : Break

11h to 11h30 : The regional worlds in Europe: statistical and mapping elements  
François-Olivier Seys (Univ. Lille 1)

11h30 to 12h30 : Debate

12h30-14h : Lunchbreak

14h to 16h : Parallel round tables:

**Roundtable 1**  
Regionalism and region-building : identity, legitimacy, capacity
- Martí Anglada Birules, delegate of Catalonia in France and Switzerland  
- Sophie Reynaud, director of competitiveness cluster Matikem  
- Benoît Guinamard, project manager, department of Sustainable Development; Prospective and Evaluation, Region Hauts-de-France

**Roundtable 2**  
Regions in European union, European union in the regions
- Vanessa Cuevas-Rubio, European affairs officer, Representation of Region Languedoc-Roussillon-Midi-Pyrénées un Brussels  
- Philippe Doucet, North section of Union European Federalists France  
- Enrico Martial, expert of the AER Observatory on Regionalisation

16h : Pause

16h15 : Reporting from the round tables

16h45 : Presentation of the Lille Jean Monnet Student Workshop by the students of the Lille Institute of Urbanism and Planning : Relations and articulations between regions and metropolises in Europe: trends and perspectives

17h15 : Closing by Gilles Pargneaux, councilor in charge of Europe and European funding, European Metropolis of Lille + announcement of the next Lille Jean Monnet Workshop (December 2016)