



PROGRAMME

“Europe for All – a Stakeholder Conference on Accessible Tourism”

The Charlemagne Building, Room S3, Rue de la Loi 170, 1000 Brussels
 Thursday 18th – Friday 19th January 2007

Thursday, 18th January	
from 08:30	Registration
09:45 – 10:00	Opening by Pedro Ortún, Director, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry
10:00 – 10:15	Address by Miguel Angel Cabra de Luna, Member of the European Economic and Social Committee
10:15 – 10:30	Address by Constance Hanniffy, Member of the European Committee of Regions
10:30 – 10:45	The European Disability Action Plan by Wallis Goelen, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities
10:45 – 11:20	Coffee break
11:20 – 12:50	Session 1: “Accessibility in Transport” <u>Moderator:</u> Franco Ianniello, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry Best Practice: Nigel Dotchin, Head of Unit, UK Government, presenting the UK Accessibility Legislation - Mark D'Eigens, Managing Director, Clicking T.G. nv, Touring Coach Industry - Mokrane Boussaid, Director, European Blind Union - Keith Richards, Head of Consumer Affairs, Association of British Travel Agents - Mariusz Daca, Seconded National Expert, European Commission, DG Transport and Energy
12:50 – 13:00	Report of the First Session Conclusions and contributions to the way forward Rapporteur: Mariusz Daca, European Commission, DG Transport and Energy
13:00 – 14:30	Sandwich Lunch
14:30 – 16:00	Session 2: “Information & Marketing on Accessibility” <u>Moderator:</u> Franco Ianniello, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry Best Practice: Ivor Ambrose, Coordinator, EWORX S.A., presenting OSSATE and the Europe for All accessible information e-service - Rob Franklin, Director, European Travel Commission - Greet Vandenrijt, Project Coordinator, Accessibility, Tourism Flanders - Andrew Daines, eBusiness Partnerships Manager, VisitBritain - Gudrun Stock, Project Officer, European Commission, DG Information Society
16:00 – 16:10	Report of the Second Session Conclusions and contributions to the way forward Rapporteur: Gudrun Stock, European Commission, DG Information Society
16:10 – 16:40	Coffee break
16:40 – 17:10	Address by Representatives of Member States - Frederic Pierret, Director of Tourism, France - Geert Bourgeois, Minister of Foreign Policy, Media and Tourism, Flanders - Cveto Uršič, Director General, Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Affairs, Directorate for Disabled, Slovenia
17:10	Close of first day

Friday, 19th January	
08:45 – 09:00	Opening Address by Paolo Costa, Member of the European Parliament
09:00 – 10:30	<p>Session 3: “Accessibility within Training and Employment”</p> <p><u>Moderator</u>: Franco Ianniello, Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry</p> <p>Best Practice: Laura Schiff, Coordinator, presenting the CARE project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gabriele Guglielmi, Chairman, European Trade Union Liaison Committee on Tourism - Lilian Müller, Project Manager, Tourism for All in Sweden - Christian Abenthung, Chief Executive Officer, Tiroler Skilehrerverband - Inmaculada Placencia Porrero, Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities
10:30 – 10:40	<p>Report of the Third Session:</p> <p>Conclusions and contributions to the way forward</p> <p><u>Rapporteur</u>: Inmaculada Placencia Porrero, European Commission, DG EMPL</p>
10:40 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 12:30	<p>Session 4: “Accessible Infrastructure in Destinations”</p> <p><u>Moderator</u>: Pedro Ortún, Director, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry</p> <p>Best Practice: Jesús Hernández Galán, Director of Accessibility, presenting examples of activities by ONCE Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maria Nyman, Policy Officer, European Disability Forum - Corinna Abele, Director, Hotel Haus Rheinsberg, Hotels, Restaurants and Cafés in Europe - Liisa Hundertmark, Member of European Centre of Enterprises with Public Participation and of Enterprises of General Economic Interest - Pierre Godin, Policy Analyst, European Commission, DG Regional Policy
12:30 – 12:40	<p>Report of the Fourth Session</p> <p>Conclusions and contributions to the way forward</p> <p><u>Rapporteur</u>: Pierre Godin, European Commission, DG Regional Policy</p>
12:40 – 13:00	Summing up and final messages from the EU Commission by Pedro Ortún, Director, DG Enterprise and Industry
13:00	Close of the conference