



# Partenalia

Territorial Development  
Working group



# Partenalia in short

- Territorial cooperation among Local Intermediate Authorities easier
- Bringing them closer to the European reality.
- Founded in 1993
- Restart 2009, strategic plan 2009 to 2013
- The members are mostly from Spain, and France a few from Italy, Belgium and the Netherlands (my region)





# Partenalia Objectives

- Exchange and mutual learning
- Defend the participation of partners in processes for shaping EU, regional and local policies
- Participate in EU and Partenalia funded projects



# Working Group Focus

- Within the working group we deal with issues *related to territory*: issues which have an effect on the ground and with effects in planning and development



# Working plan 2009

Each year we develop a working plan to focus on the relevant issues for the year.

## 2009 issues

1. Green Paper on territorial cohesion,
2. Renewable energies,
3. Access to services.



# How we work

- In the seminars we organise we want our own experts to get in contact with each other on a small scale,
- we organised 'small groups' in Sevilla and here in San Sebastián beside the 'total programme'



# Results 2009

- February: reaction on the Green Paper on territorial cohesion
- April, Turin: Conference on “Local Intermediate Authorities and Territorial Cohesion” with PURPLE and Terres en Villes
- June, Sevilla: Expert Meeting on renewable energies
- October, San Sebastian: This meeting on ‘territorial balance’

... And all interesting and joyful meetings





# Evaluating 2009

- Exchange and mutual learning, worked well this year. **OK**
- Project development has not occurred, but is not a priority. **Not OK**
- Influence on European Policies: contribution on Green Paper territorial cohesion, invited to DG Regio discussions. **Rather OK.**



# New Focus 2010

- Keep mutual learning: meetings with small groups of experts of our regions
- Improve: connection to European Commission
- Probable topics for 2010: sustainable transport and Future on Cohesion Policy

Thank you  
and Join us.

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