

ITEM Annual Conference 2019

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The aim of this two-day ITEM conference, organised in cooperation with the Province of Overijssel, is to promote cross-border cooperation and mobility by bringing parties together, sharing cross-border projects with each other and, above all, working on cross-border cooperation in terms of knowledge development and access to knowledge.

This year sees the fifth annual ITEM conference, and ITEM cordially invites you to this jubilee celebration in Enschede.



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Thursday 21 November 2019 | 10.00 am – 5.00 pm | Wilminktheater, Enschede

'Cross-border care and safety'

During this inspiring day full of success stories in the field of cross-border care and safety along the Dutch border, possible solutions for bottlenecks will also be discussed and presented.

Languages: Dutch/English

Moderator: Ms Simone van Trier

10.00 – 10.30 am	<u>Arrival and welcome of guests</u>	
10.30 – 10.45 am	<u>Welcome speech</u>	Mr Welten, EUREGIO, The Mayor of Haaksbergen Mr Ramírez, Association of European Border Regions
10.45 – 11.15 am	<u>Keynote address</u>	Mr Valls, Working Community of the Pyrenees (Communauté de Travail des Pyrénées, CTP)
11.15 – 11.30 am	<u>Presentation</u>	Cross-border ambulance-related care, Mr Wouters (BENEGO)
11.30 am – 12 noon	<u>Best practice 1</u>	PREpare project (Pilot Region for Cross-border Emergency Care and Crisis Preparedness in the EUREGIO), Ms Boekhorst
12 noon – 12.30 pm	<u>Best practice 2</u>	Euregio Maas-Rijn Incidentbestrijding en Crisisbeheersing (Euregio Meuse-Rhine Incident response and Crisis management - EMRIC, Ms Ramakers
12.30 – 2.00 pm	<u>Lunch</u>	
2.00 – 2.30 pm	<u>Best practice 3</u>	Euregional Centre for Paediatric Surgery (Euregionaal Kinderchirurgisch centrum), Prof. Van Gemert
2.30 – 3.00 pm	<u>Best practice 4</u>	Euregional RIEC East Netherlands (Regional Intelligence and Expertise Centre), Ms Molenaar
3.00 – 3.30 pm	<u>Speech</u>	Evaluation of EURIEC, Mr Geerlings and Prof. dr. Nelen
3.30 – 4.15 pm	<u>Concluding speech</u>	Mr Blom, Benelux Ms Bobek, Gesundheit Österreich GmbH (Austria's National Public Health Institute), Austria
4.15 – 5:00 pm	<u>Drinks</u>	

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PROGRAMME:

Languages: English, German, Dutch (interpreting into/from Dutch, English, and German)

Moderator: Ms Simone van Trier and Mr Martin Unfried

10.00 – 10.30 am

Arrival of guests

10.30 – 11.30 am

Welcome and keynote addresses

King's Commissioner for Overijssel, Mr Heidema
Mayor of the Municipality of Enschede, Mr van Veldhuizen
Director of ITEM, Prof. dr. Schneider
German Ambassador to the Netherlands, Mr Brengelmann

11.00 – 11.15 am

Interview: cross-border cooperation

11.15 am – 12.30 pm

Plenary panel sessions: cross-border cooperation

11.15 - 11.45 am: **Examples of projects in practice**

MUMC+ (Euregional Centre for Paediatric Surgery) – Prof. van Gemert
EMRIC (Euregio Meuse-Rhine Incident response and Crisis management) –
Ms Ramakers
Regional Intelligence and Expertise Centre East Netherlands –
Ms Molenaar

12 noon – 12.30 pm: **Cross-border governance structure**

ITEM/Maastricht University – Prof. dr. Bollen-Vandenboorn
University of Twente – dr. Jaansoo
Benelux – Mr Blom
Region connector – Ms Farwick
Region connector – Mr van Damme

- 12.45 – 1.00 pm** **Speech: ‘Benelux und Deutschland, Chance für alle vier’ (Benelux and Germany: Opportunities for all four countries)**
Mr Fricke, Bundestag (German parliament)
- 1.00 – 2.30 pm** **Lunch**
- 2.30 – 3.45 pm** **Five information sessions (held in parallel in separate areas)**
- ‘Building cross-border cooperation’**
- 1. Cross-border cooperation in practice**
Session leader: ITEM, Mr Unfried
 - 2. Cross-border statistics (labour market information Dutch-German border)**
Statistics Netherlands (CBS), Mr van der Valk and moderator Ms Woldringh
 - 3. Working towards a platform for knowledge sharing on cross-border cooperation: ‘cooperating knowledge institutions present themselves’.**
Session leader: ITEM, Prof. dr. Bollen-Vandenboorn
 - 4. Cross-border employment: labour mediation, services, and neighbouring language policy.**
Session leader: Euregio Rhine-Waal, Mr Kamps / Former Ambassador for euregional education, Ms Straus / Platform 31 'SGA lessons learned', Ms Ghauharali and Ms van Eeden
 - 5. Cross-border care and safety**
Session leader: ITEM, Ms Kortese
- 4.00 – 4.20 pm** **Speech: ‘Possible solutions for cross-border projects’**
ITEM, Mr Unfried
- 4.20 – 4.45 pm** **Concluding speech: ‘Building cross-border cooperation’**
ITEM, Prof. dr. Bollen-Vandenboorn
- 4.45 – 6.00 pm** **Networking and drinks**