



HARNESSING TALENT IN EUROPE'S REGIONS



**Pillar 1 – Talent Booster
Mechanism: Technical Assistance**

**Review of implementation and
reflection on paths ahead**

Agenda

Meeting of Pillar 1 Regions – Talent Booster Mechanism:

Review of implementation and reflection on paths ahead

14:15 – 16:15; 19 March 2025

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Location: Avenue de Tervuren 41, 1040 Etterbeek, Belgium; *MERODE - Floor 000 Room 007*

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Time	
14:15 – 14:20	<p>Welcome & Overview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Welcome from Gergana Miladinova, Deputy Head of Unit for Cities, Communities, People, DG REGIO – REGIO.03 Cities, Communities, People</i>
14:20 – 15:00	<p>Pillar 1 of the Talent Booster Mechanism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Review of TA implementation support under Pillar 1 of the Talent Booster Mechanism and forward-looking perspective – HTP Secretariat</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">○ <i>Harnessing talent across EU Regions</i> – Overarching insights and learnings from expert support regarding:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Regional Attractiveness and Quality of Life▪ Governance and Talent Monitoring▪ Jobs and Skills▪ Competitiveness and Innovation○ <i>Forward looking: Overarching insights into:</i><ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ <i>Sustainability of the implemented activities and possible next steps in both the short and long term</i>▪ <i>Leveraging Cohesion Policy and useful considerations for Managing Authorities</i>○ <i>Q&A + Discussion</i>
15:00 – 16:10	<p>Interactive Session: <i>World Café – Looking Ahead</i></p> <p><i>An interactive discussion and review of principal insights on forward-looking strategic actions and Cohesion Policy (TA), focusing on:</i></p>

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	<p>Round 1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regional Attractiveness and Quality of Life • Governance and Talent Monitoring <p>Round 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jobs and Skills • Competitiveness and Innovation <p><i>Table (topic) facilitators present conclusions in the main room</i></p> <p>Guiding Question:</p> <p>From the perspective of your region, how can Cohesion Policy be leveraged in both the short and long term across these dimensions to attract and retain talent while addressing demographic challenges?</p>
16:10 – 16:15	<p>Closing Words</p> <p><i>REGIO.03 Cities, Communities, People & HTP Secretariat</i></p>