



Annual General Meeting of the Atlantic Arc Commission

Thursday 2 and Friday 3 June 2016 - Pamplona (Navarra - Spain)

Meeting venue:

Salón de actos

Archivo Real y General de Navarra / Nafarroako Artxibo Orokorra
c/ del Dos de Mayo, s/n - 31001 Pamplona (Navarra)

PROGRAMME

Working languages: English, Spanish, French and Portuguese

Thursday 2 June 2016

10.00-13.00: Political Bureau of the Atlantic Arc Commission

Salón de actos del Archivo Real (*Meeting for members of the Political Bureau only*)

11.00-13.00: Atlantic Arc Commission Working Group on Tourism and Atlantic Culture

- Sala de Presidentes - Palacio de Diputación Foral de Navarra
Avenida Carlos III El Noble, 2 - Pamplona-Iruña
(*No interpretation for this technical meeting*)

13.15-14.30: Lunch

(*for members of the Political Bureau and for the participants in the working group*)

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15.00-16.00: Opening Session

- ✓ **Ana Olló**, Spokesperson of the Government of Navarra and Councillor in charge of citizenship and institutional relations
- ✓ **Juan José Sota Verdión**, Presidency of the Atlantic Arc Commission and Regional Minister for Economy, Finances and Employment - Government of Cantabria
- ✓ **Pablo Azcona**, President of the Federation of Municipalities and Councils from Navarra
- ✓ **Eleni Marianou**, Secretary General of CPMR

16.00-16.30: Presentation of the new Region chairing the Atlantic Arc Commission for 2016-2018

- ✓ Presentation of the new Political Bureau and new President of the Atlantic Arc Commission for 2016-2018 by **Juan José Sota Verdión**, Regional Minister for Economy, Finances and Employment - Government of Cantabria
- ✓ Keynote speech by the new President and presentation of the work programme for 2016-2018
- ✓ Discussion with the members

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16.30-17.15: Session 1 – Atlantic Arc Commission Activity Report and Outlook

Chair: New President of the Atlantic Arc Commission

- ✓ Statutory work by the new President:
 - Approval of the Agenda of the Atlantic Arc Commission Annual General Meeting
 - Approval of the minutes of the Plenary Meeting of the Atlantic Arc Commission held in Florence (November 2015)
- ✓ Activity Report since the Annual General Meeting held in Bilbao (March 2015) and Work Programme for 2016 by **Pauline Caumont**, Executive Secretary of the Atlantic Arc Commission
 - Discussion with members
- ✓ Presentation of the financial perspectives for 2016/2017 by **Pauline Caumont**, Executive Secretary of the Atlantic Arc Commission
 - Discussion with members

17.15-17.45: Coffee break

17.45-19.00: Session 2 - Atlantic Arc Commission Working Groups situation and prospects

Chair: New President of the Atlantic Arc Commission

- ✓ The **Innovation** Working Group by **Laurence Harribey** for the Aquitaine-Limousin-Poitou-Charentes Region: presentation and discussion
- ✓ The **Transport** Working Group by **Inma Valencia Bayón** for the Cantabria Region: presentation and discussion
- ✓ The **Marine Renewable Energies** Working Group by **Claire Letertre** for the Brittany Region: presentation and discussion
- ✓ The **Atlantic Tourism and Culture** Working Group by **María del Mar Martínez Salmerón** for the Asturias Region: presentation and discussion
- ✓ The **Fisheries and Aquaculture** Working Group by **Christophe Priou** for the Pays de la Loire Region: presentation and discussion
- ✓ The **Atlantic Strategy** Working Group by **Pauline Caumont**, Executive Secretary of the Atlantic Arc Commission
- ✓ Conclusive remarks by the President of the Atlantic Arc Commission

20.00: Reception in the Palacio de Navarra

21.00: Diner in the Palacio Guendulain at the invitation and with the participation of the President of the Government of Navarra, **Uxue Barkos Berruezo**

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9.00-9.15: Welcome address by the President of the Government of Navarra, Uxue Barkos Berruezo, and group photo

9.15-10.30: Session 3 - Progress on the implementation of the Atlantic Strategy

Moderator: Pauline Caumont, Executive Secretary of the Atlantic Arc Commission

- ✓ **Belén Núñez-Lagos Bau**, Spanish representative in the institutional “Atlantic Strategy Group”: The Spanish perspective on the Atlantic Strategy
- ✓ **Andrea Mairate**, Head of Competence Centre Macro-Regions and European Territorial Co-operation - DG Regio - European Commission: The role of ESI Funds in implementing the Atlantic Strategy
- ✓ **Justine Jury**, DG MARE - European Commission: A new budget in DG MARE work programme (EMFF 2017-2018) for the Atlantic Action Plan
- ✓ **Inma Valencia Bayón**, Delegate of the Government of Cantabria in Brussels: Regional perspective on the Atlantic Strategy

Debate with the members and conclusions by the moderator

10.30-11.45: Session 4 – How to improve sustainability of activities at sea?

Moderator: Giuseppe Sciacca, CRPM Senior Policy Advisor in charge of fisheries

- ✓ **Carlos Neves**, Vice-President of the CCDR do Norte: Developing sustainable offshore marine renewable energies
- ✓ **Rosa M^a Quintana Carballo**, Regional Minister for the Sea in the Xunta de Galicia: Sustainable fishing in Galicia
- ✓ **François Gatel**, Secretary General of AGLIA: Presentation of projects on the interaction between fishing tools and Atlantic natural habitat
- ✓ **María del Mar Martínez Salmerón**, Head of the Department of Tourism from the Principado de Asturias: Sustainable coastal and maritime tourism in Asturias

Debate with the members and conclusions by the moderator

11.45-12.15: Coffee break

12.15-13.15: Session 5 - Innovation and Blue Technology in the Atlantic

Moderator: Morgane Lesage, Director of the Joint Secretariat for the Interreg Atlantic Area Programme

- ✓ **Laurence Harribey**, Councillor for the Region Aquitaine-Limousin-Poitou-Charentes: The role of public decision-makers in supporting innovation and blue technologies in the Regions
- ✓ **Inés Echeverria**, Director R+D+i at the National Center for Food Safety (CNTA): Investments of a non-coastal Region in blue biotechnologies
- ✓ **Stéphanie Bordenave-Juchereau**, Lecturer & Researcher in the University of La Rochelle: Towards an Atlantic project on blue biotechnologies (tbc)

Debate with the members and conclusions by the moderator

13.15-14.00: Session 6 – Examination and vote of the 2016 Final Declaration

Chair: New President of the Atlantic Arc Commission

- ✓ Presentation of the 2016 Final Declaration by **Pauline Caumont**, Executive Secretary of the Atlantic Arc Commission
- ✓ Debate with members and vote of the Final Declaration
- ✓ Next statutory meetings:
 - 27 October 2016: Plenary meeting of the Atlantic Arc Commission in the framework of the CPMR General Assembly (Azores, PT)
 - Spring 2017: General Assembly of the Atlantic Arc Commission (venue to be confirmed)
- ✓ Conclusions by the Presidency

14.00-15.00: Lunch at the Hotel Pamplona Cathedral

15.00-17.00: Visit organised by the Government of Navarra to the CIMA-[Center for Applied Medical Research](#) (biomedecine) in Pamplona