

CINTRAN FINAL TAKE - BRUSSELS

6TH MARCH 2024

Regions in Transition

After 4 years of successful research implementation, <u>CINTRAN</u> - Unravelling the Challenges of Structural Change, will come to a close in the springtime of 2024. To highlight, commemorate and discuss its main outcomes and accomplishments, <u>ICLEI Europe</u> and <u>Wuppertal Institute</u> are convening for a **Final Stakeholder Event**, which will take place on **Wednesday**, **6th of March 2024**.

The event will bring together main stakeholders and decision-makers of the Just Transition community, including representatives from European Commission departments and executive agencies such as **DG ENER**, **DG REGIO and DG RTD**, **Committee of the Regions**, **national authorities**, **private sector**, **Trade Union and civil society**, as well as key stakeholders from **coal+ regions across Europe**.

During the event we will share the **latest insights on the just transition process** from the scientific community, practitioners, and policy experts, as well as reflections on the process from coal+ regions, namely Western Macedonia, Greece; Ida-Virumaa, Estonia; Rhineland, Germany; and Silesia, Poland. Interactive sessions and panel discussions will be held throughout the day, offering opportunities for participants to ask questions and identify **new practices and instruments** to solve the challenges faced by the coal+ regions. The ultimate aim of this final event, is to reflect on the progress made on the just transition across Europe, hold discussions and exchanges between participants to find replicable solutions to mutual challenges, and to provide networking opportunities throughout the event schedule.

Meet our sister projects: <u>COALition</u>, <u>JUSTEM</u>, <u>TRANSFORMER</u> as well as representatives from the <u>EU Coal Regions in Transition Secretariat</u>.

Basic information

Date & Time: Wednesday, 6 March 2024 from 9:00 to 15:00+

Registration: here

Location: BIP Meeting Center - House of the Capital Region

Rue Royale, 2-4 1000 Bruxelles

Latest publications by CINTRAN

- A Just Transition Readiness Evaluation Tool
- Comparative analysis of socio-political dynamics in carbon-intensive regions
- Downscaling or upskilling in carbon-intensive regions?
- Migration Drivers in Carbon-intensive Regions in the EU
- Analysis of Just Transition Agreements and the Role of Coal Commissions

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Agenda

Wednesday, 6 March 2024	
9:00 - 9:30	Welcome and celebrating achievements Introduction - ICLEI Achievements in the coal transition - Adela Tesarova, Head of Consumers, Local Initiatives, Just Transition, DG ENER Latest transition results in carbon-intensive regions - Balbina Gluza-Czyczerska, Just Transition Platform Coordinator, DG REGIO
9:30 - 10:30	Scientific findings of Unravelling the challenges of Structural Change Keynote Speaker: Lukas Hermwille, Wuppertal Institute, Germany Reactions from the European Commission and Q&A
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break
11:00 - 11:30	Transition reflections and messages from regions Western Macedonia, Greece Silesia, Poland Rhineland, Germany Ida-Viru, Estonia
11:30 - 12:30	Transition Plenary discussion - Jessica Jewell, Chalmers University of Technology - Marie Claire Brisbois, Senior Lecturer in Energy Policy at SPRU, and Co-Director of the Sussex Energy Group - Marina Klavina, Cohesion Policy, Just Transition, COTER, Committee of the Regions - Karel Tichy, Economic and Social Council of the Ústí Region, CZ - Rumyana Grozeva, Executive Director, Stara Zagora Regional Economic Development Agency, BG - Jude Kirton-Darling, Deputy General Secretary, industriAll Europe Facilitation: ICLEI
12:30 - 13:00	Pre-closing remarks Bernd Biervert, Head of Clean Energy Transitions, DG RTD Bernard Mazijn, Chief of Staff, Cabinet of Minister Khattabi, Belgium Minister of Climate, Environment, Sustainable Development and the Green Deal Lukas Hermwille, Wuppertal Institute, Germany
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch Break at the venue

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Museum of findings and networking (optional)

14:00 - 15:00

Main findings of the research initiative. Deep-dive with lead researchers. Networking with <u>COALition</u>, <u>JUSTEM</u>, <u>TRANSFORMER</u> as well as representatives from the <u>EU Coal</u> Regions in Transition Secretariat.

15:00

Coffee and end

The agenda might still be subject to change.





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