



## Whole-COMM Final Conference

# Empowering small localities in the governance of asylum From crisis to community integration

17 May 2024, 9.00 – 13.00

European Committee of the Regions

Rue Belliard 101, 1040 Bruxelles

Event Room: JDE53, on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor

[Registration link for onsite and online participation](#)

Registration is open:

until May 12<sup>th</sup> for onsite participation

until May 16<sup>th</sup> for online participation



# Programme

Moderated by **Dave Keating**, Brussels journalist

9:00 - 9:15 – [Welcoming remarks](#)

- **Emmanouil Dardoufas**, Head of the CIVEX Unit, European Committee of the Regions
- **Tiziana Caponio**, Principal Investigator of the Whole-COMM Project

9:15 - 10:45 – [Towards more robust and effective policy responses to migrant integration in European small localities](#)

- [Whole-COMM Results, Policy recommendations and Strategy Paper](#)  
**Andrea Pettrachin**, Collegio Carlo Alberto  
**Irene Ponzo**, International and European Forum on Migration
- [Whole-COMM Policy Toolkit for local authorities](#)  
**Sinem Yilmaz** and **Basak Yavcan**, Migration Policy Group
- [Roundtable discussion](#)  
**Annelies Zoomers**, Welcoming Spaces project  
**Jussi Laine**, MATILDE project  
**Karel Arnaut**, ReROOT project
- [Q&A](#)

10:45 - 11:00 – [Coffee break](#)

## 11:00 - 12:30 – Experiences from Whole-COMM communities and policy roundtable

- *Local experiences from participating countries*

### **Whole-COMM Project Partners**

**Ilke Adam**, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

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**Nahikari Irastorza**, Malmö University

**Elina Jonitz**, Erasmus University Rotterdam

**Isabella Skrivanek**, Danube University Krems

*Q&A*

- *Roundtable on policy perspectives*

**Dace Vinovska** and **Pablo Torres Herrero**, European Committee of the Regions, Cities and Regions for Integration Initiative

**Anna Piccinni**, Sciences Po Paris

**Prachi Metawala**, United Cities and Local Governments

*Q&A*

## 12:30 - 13:00 – Concluding remarks

- **Michail Moschovakos**, DG Research and Innovation, European Commission
- **Angelique Petrīts**, DG HOME, European Commission

## 13:00 – Networking lunch