

# Erik Network Conference

## KNOWLEDGE FOR REGIONAL INNOVATION

### Towards "Regions for Economic Change"

The ERIK (European Regions Knowledge Based Innovation) Network, co-financed by DG Regional Policy of the European Commission through its Regional Programme of Innovative Actions, has the pleasure of inviting you to its Final Conference.

The two day ERIK conference represents a space for actors from all over Europe and outside to debate the future role of regions in promoting economic growth through innovation, entrepreneurship and the growth of the knowledge economy, with particular relevance to the evolution of the European Commission initiative "Regions for Economic Change".

#### The conference offers:

##### 4 THEMATIC WORKSHOPS

- Industry Science Relations
- Support for Start-Ups and Spin-Offs
- Clusters and Business Networks
- Innovation Finance

##### 1 PLENARY SESSION "Knowledge for Regional Innovation"

bringing together representatives from the three sides of the "triple helix" of innovation policy: the world of research, enterprise and public government

##### 1 ROUND TABLE Debate on ERIK Policy Recommendations in the framework of "Regions of Economic Change"

##### 1 EXHIBITION OF GOOD PRACTICES over 30 good practices collected from around Europe

##### 2 ERIK PRIZES for good practice and exhibition poster



**10/11 May 2007**

Hotel Bristol Stephanie

91-93 Avenue Louise  
Brussels

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For registration, the programme

and information:

**www.eriknetwork.net**

#### This event should not be missed by representatives from:

- national, regional and local administrations;
- business organisations, banks and enterprises;
- networks and associations;
- universities, research and consultancy organisations;
- EU institutions

The conference working languages will be English, French and Italian.

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### ERIK Network Member Regions

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Toscana (Italy)  
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#### Observers

Banska Bystrica (Slovakia)  
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North Hungary (Hungary)  
North Great Plain (Hungary)  
South East Romania (Romania)



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