



S³ THEMATIC WORKSHOP

SMART SPECIALISATION STRATEGIES FOR RURAL INNOVATION

Programme

DAY 2 22nd October 2013

Venue: [A Moagem](#), Largo da Estação, 6230 – 311 Fundão

09:00-09:30	<i>Check in</i>
9:30-11:00	OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR SMART, SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH IN RURAL EUROPE THROUGH RIS³? (moderated by Teresa Jorge, CCDR Centro) Artur da Rosa Pires - University of Aveiro, Portugal Gioacchino Garofoli - University of Insubria, Italy Paulo Fernandes – Mayor of Fundão
11:00-11:30	<i>Coffee and light snacks</i>
11:30-13:00	COLLECTIVE MIND MAPPING – Participants are invited to present their experiences on innovation in rural areas and integrating a rural dimension into their RIS ³ . This session will be led by some S ³ Platform members from rural regions.
13:00-14:30	<i>Lunch</i>
14:30-16:30	WORLD CAFÉ - TOWARDS SMART SPECIALISATION IN EUROPE'S RURAL AREAS - Building on the morning's work, participants will be organised into small groups to offer potential solutions to the issues facing rural areas in implementing RIS ³ .
17:00-22:00	<i>Sense of place - the taste of innovation</i> - What is new in rural areas: Project visits and dinner in Fundão municipality to highlight product and service innovation



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SHAPING THE NEW POLICY FRAMEWORK - Instruments and tools to mobilise rural innovation (moderated by Fatime Barbara Hegyi, JRC European Commission)

Pedro Saraiva, President of CCDR Centro

Teresa Lopez-Garcia Usach, DG Agriculture and Rural Development

Luísa Sanches on behalf of DG REGIO

10:30-10:45

Coffee

10:45-12:00

CONCLUDING SESSION: LESSONS LEARNED AND NEXT STEPS

Chaired by **Manuel Castro Almeida**, Secretary of State of Regional Development, Portugal

Terry Marsden – Cardiff University, UK

John Edwards – Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Artur da Rosa Pires - University of Aveiro, Portugal

Each panelist will summarise what has been discussed and give their viewpoint.