

# ***Social Economy for the future of the European Union***

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019, 14:00 to 17:30

European Economic and Social Committee/ European Committee of the Regions  
(JDE 62), Rue Belliard/ Belliardstraat 99-101

## **14:00 Welcome & opening remarks:**

- **Luca Jahier**, President of the European Economic and Social Committee
- **Karl-Heinz Lambertz**, President of the Committee of the Regions

## **An assessment of the 2014-2019 EU mandate and proposals for the future: *Social Economy going forward in Europe***

Presented and moderated by **Georgi Pirinski**, Vice-President of the SEIG (S&D, BG)

- **Ulla Engelmann**, Head of unit for Advanced Technologies, Clusters and Social Economy at the European Commission (DG GROW)
- **Marie-Christine Vergiat**, Co-President of the Social Economy Intergroup
- **Ariane Rodert**, EESC member, President of the section for the Single Market, Production and Consumption
- **Juan Antonio Pedreño**, President of Social Economy Europe (SEE)

## **15:00 Social Economy roundtable: *Social Economy, shaping the Future of Europe***

Presented and moderated by **Sofia Ribeiro**, Vice-President of the SEIG (EPP, PT)

- **Albert Lautman**, CEO of the Fédération Nationale de la Mutualité Française (on behalf of AIM and AMICE)
- **Giuseppe Guerini**, President of the European Confederation of Industrial and Services Cooperatives (CECOP-CICOPA Europe)
- **Marilena Vrana**, Policy and Incubation Manager at the European Foundation Centre (EFC)
- **Xavier Roberti**, Member of the Board of Directors of the European Network of Social Integration Enterprises (ENSIE)
- **Włodzimierz Grudzinski**, Vice-President of the European Federation of Ethical and Alternative Banks and Financiers (FEBEA)

- **Jan Olsson**, Co-President of the European Network of Cities and Regions for Social Economy (REVES)

15:40 **Leaders roundtable *The future of Europe: the role of the social economy***

Presented and moderated by **Víctor Meseguer**, director of Social Economy Europe

- **Ramón Luis Valcárcel**, Vice-President of the European Parliament, Co-President of the SEIG (EPP)
- **Iratxe García Pérez**, First Vice-President of the Party of European Socialists (PES), MEP (S&D)
- **Ernest Urtasun**, MEP (GREENS/EFA), member of the SEIG
- **Gabi Zimmer**, President of the European United Left/ Nordic Green Left (GUE/NGL), European Parliamentary Group

16:45 **A message to the future European Parliament from the Social Economy Intergroup**

Presented and moderated by **Marie-Christine Vergiat**, co-President of the SEIG (GUE/NGL, FR)

- **Sofia Ribeiro**, vice-President of the SEIG (EPP, PT)
- **Elena Gentile**, co-President of the SEIG (S&D, IT)

17:20 **Concluding remarks**

- **Alain Coheur**, vice-President of SEE, co-spokesperson of the EESC Social Economy Category and President of the EESC Study Group on social economy enterprises