



REGIONE DEL VENETO

European Year of Volunteering – Attracting Volunteers

Boosting social cohesion by volunteering

Open Days side event in the framework of 2011, European Year of Volunteering

Tuesday, 5th October 2010, 2 pm – 4 pm

Venue: Liaison Agency Flanders-Europe, Kortenberglaan 71, 1000 Brussels

With this event, we want to inform you on the initiatives towards the European Year of Volunteering 2011 from European level (from the perspective of the European Commission, European Parliament and civil society organizations), exchange best practices on attracting new volunteers from regional and local levels and point out gaps and problems in mobilizing volunteers.

Draft programme

13h30 Registration and coffee

14u00 Welcome

14u10 **John Macdonald**, Head of Task Force for the European Year of Volunteering 2011, European Commission
Overview of European Commission initiatives during the European Year of Volunteering

Marian Harkin, MEP, co-founder and co-President of the European Parliament Volunteering Interest Group
Reflection on the existing initiatives and opportunities in the field of volunteering

Eva Hambach, President of the European Volunteer Centre
Reflection from the perspective of the civil society organizations

Best practices from local and regional governments (Flanders, Veneto, Valencia and Oslo) on mobilization of volunteers

15u30 Debate

15u50 Concluding words and look into the future

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Information & registration: <http://www.vleva.eu/en/volunteering> (EN)

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