



**Atlantic Core Network Corridor  
Working Group on the Cross-Border dimension  
Bordeaux, 28-29 October 2015**

**28.10.2015**

**Infrastructural projects and planning for overcoming the borders  
between Portugal, Spain and France along the Atlantic Corridor**

Arrival of the participants at Aquitaine Regional Council - 14 Rue François de Sourdis, Bordeaux

14.15 Accueil coffee for the participants

14.45 Official opening of the event by Alain Rousset, Aquitaine President

Speech by the Basque Territorial and environmental minister, Ana Oregi

15.00 Contributions on the cross-border projects and the cross-border potential of the Corridor by

- the French Secretary of State in charge of Transport, Mr Alain Vidalies,

- the Spanish Secretary of State in charge of Transport Mr. Julio Gómez-Pomar

- the EU Coordinator, Prof. Carlo Secchi

Session chaired by the EU Coordinator, Prof. Carlo Secchi, with Technical Representatives of France, Spain and Portugal:

15.30 Technical presentation of the on-going projects connecting France and Spain

16.30 Technical presentation of the on-going projects connecting Portugal and Spain (Evora-Mérida, Aveiro-Salamanca)

Q&A

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17.45 focus on the Iberian connectivity

- Governance and planning: the joint working group; its mandate, its activities
- Description of the Infrastructural connections between Spain and Portugal
- Q&A

18.15 A view from the Atlantic: contribution by the CRPM – Arc Atlantique: D. Francisco Luis Martín Gallego, Regional Minister for Industry, Innovation, Commerce and Tourism

18.30 Conclusive remarks by the National Representatives

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**The actors on the ground: Rail Freight Corridors, Regions & intra-regional cooperation,  
logistic platforms & ports**

08.30 Accueil Café

Round table with J. Coutou, Director Rail Freight Corridor, Euroregion, Basque Region and Aquitaine Region, EU Coordinator:

09.00 Presentation on the Cross-border cooperation between Infrastructure managers: the Atlantic Rail Freight Corridor - J. Coutou, Director

09.30 The cross-border potential: experience from the territorial cooperation and the Euroregion Aquitaine-Euskadi: Euroregion Representative Julien de Labaca

Q&A

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10.15 Contributions from the territories "bridging the gaps across the ancient borders"

- Logistical integration in practice: the case of Zaldesa/Aveiro-Leixoes - Leixões Port Authority
- Bordeaux Port vision and perspectives for feeding the Atlantic Corridor - Bordeaux Port Authority
- The Y Basque: combining local mobility and access to a TEN-T Corridor - Emilio de Francisco Ugartondo. Responsible for Transport Infrastructure – Basque Country
- The potential for cross-border services: the rolling motorway (Spanish and French Ministerial Representatives)

11.30 Debate and contributions from logistic platforms and transport operators

12.00 Closure of the works of the Second day - Imanol Leza. Director General . Euskotren

12.20 Conclusive remarks by the EU Coordinator

-----*Buffet Lunch*-----