



**European Week of Regions and Cities**  
**Brussels**  
6-9 October 2008

# **OPEN DAYS 2008**

presentation of the event to the regions/cities

14 December 2007

Committee of the Regions



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## General heading

Regions and cities in a challenging world

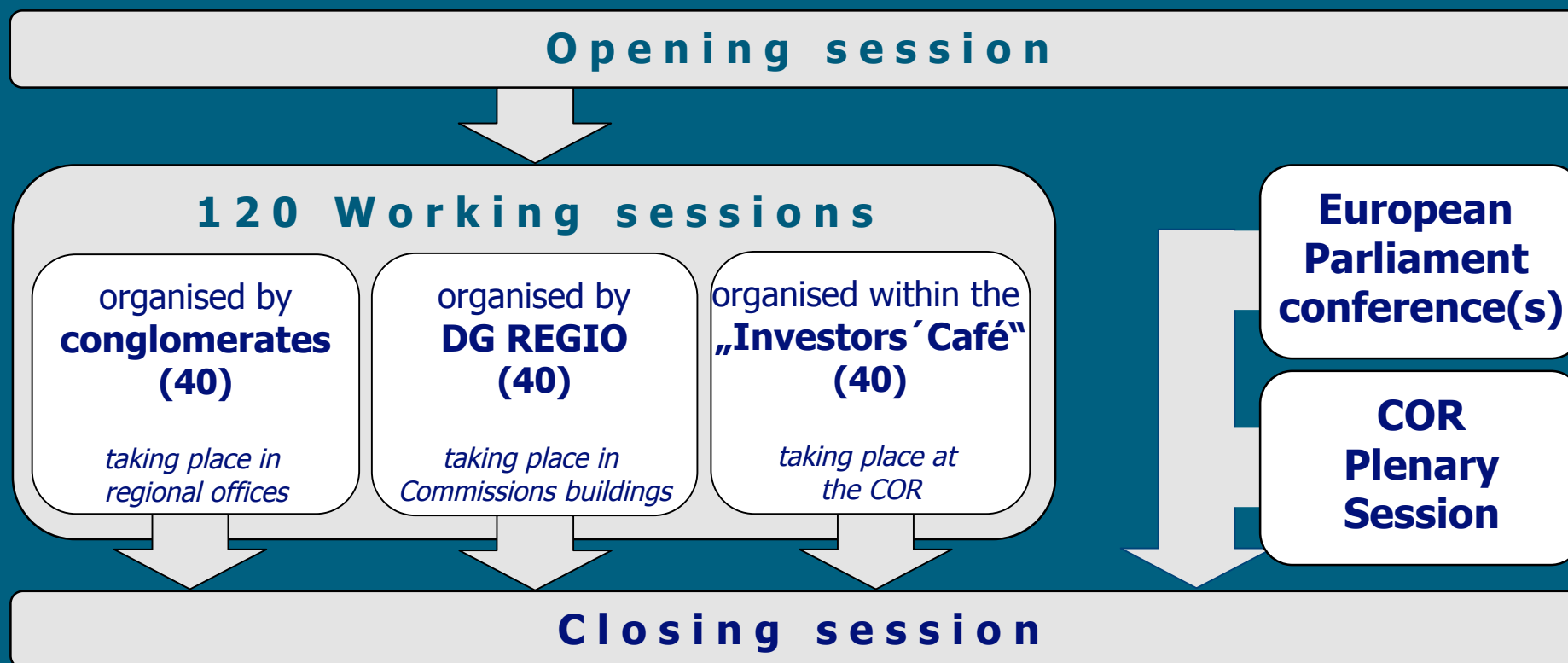
## Thematic priorities

- 1) Innovating regions: Promoting research, technological development and innovation
- 2) Sustainable development: Regional responses to climate change
- 3) Cooperation and networking: Exchange of best practice in regional development
- 4) Looking forward: A European cohesion policy for tomorrow



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# Shape of the event





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## Typology of sessions

- Workshops
- Seminars
- Debates

## Timeslots for sessions

	<i>Morning: Flexible timing</i> 9:00 – 13:00		<i>Afternoon: Fixed timing</i> 14:30 – 16:15    16:45 – 18:30	
<b>Tuesday</b> 7 October		2h30		1h45    1h45
<b>Wednesday</b> 8 October		2h30		1h45    1h45
<b>Thursday</b> 9 October		2h30		



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# Conditions for participation

Condition 1: **Eligibility**

Condition 2: **Conglomerates**

Condition 3: **Quality of proposed Brussels sessions**

Condition 4: **Quality of proposed local events**

Condition 5: **Providing of Technical data**



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## Most important points:

- Regions must have a regional office in Brussels
- As a general rule, cities must have a regional office in Brussels or must be a capital of a country or NUTS I or NUTS II region or must have more than 500.000 inhabitants
- 8-12 partners within the conglomerate, where 5 different countries are represented
- One single venue per conglomerate (1 or 2 sessions)
- One lead office and one deputy office for the conglomerate
- Each partner has to organise a local event
- One contact person on behalf of the conglomerate responsible for local events
- More time for preparation of applications – we expect higher quality



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Deadline for submitting applications:

**5 March 2008 12:00**

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