



Digitalisation – Benefits for European Citizens Four Motors for Europe – European Week of Regions and Cities

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Representation of the State of Baden-Württemberg to the European Union
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Digitalisation has an impact on nearly all economic sectors and areas of life. It changes drastically the way people work, live, consume and communicate. That is why digitalisation is of crucial importance for the government of the regions of the Four Motors for Europe (Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes, Baden-Württemberg, Catalonia, Lombardy).

We will discuss the social aspects of digitalisation and the benefits for our citizens. These include amongst others projects for citizens' participation (eg. via digital applications, participation portals or citizens' apps) and their implementation in the regional digitalisation strategies in the partner regions of the Four Motors for Europe.

Simultaneous interpretation into English and German will be provided. You are kindly asked to register your participation before 6 October 2017 by sending an [E-Mail](mailto:veranstaltung2@bruessel.bwl.de) to the following address: veranstaltung2@bruessel.bwl.de.

Agenda

- 18:00 **Aperitif**
- 18:30 **Welcome by Gisela Erler**, State Counsellor for Civil Society and Civic Participation, Baden-Württemberg
- 18:35 **Key Note by Markus Beckedahl**, Founder and Editor-in-chief of netzpolitik.org, Ort
- 19:00 Moderated Discussion with
- **Gisela Erler**, State Counsellor for Civil Society and Civic Participation, Baden-Württemberg
 - **Louis Giscard d'Estaing**, Regional councillor in charge of international promotion of the Region, Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes
 - **Núria Espuny**, Director General for Transparency, Open Data and Democratic Quality of the Government of Catalonia.
 - **Valentina Aprea**, Minister for Education, Training and Employment, Lombardy
 - **Markus Beckedahl**, Founder and Editor-in-chief of netzpolitik.org, Berlin
- Moderation: **Hendrik Kafsack**, EU correspondent Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung

