

20th ANNIVERSARY CALRE SEMINAR

A ROLE FOR THE REGIONS IN A EUROPE IN TRANSITION

Oviedo, July 24 and 25, 201

General Assembly of the Principality of Asturias (JGPA)
C/ Fruela, nº 13 - 33007 Oviedo - Asturias - España -

*(The Seminar will have simultaneous translation services
for German, French, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish)*

The commemoration of the 20th Anniversary of the Founding Declaration of the Conference of European Regional Legislative Assemblies (CALRE), known as the Oviedo Declaration and signed in the Asturian city on October 7, 1997, presents itself as a unique opportunity to open a space for reflection on the role of the regions in the common European project during the last two decades and to discuss and propose answers in the face of the challenges facing the European Union today.

To this end, the Parliament of the Principality of Asturias, where the Founding Declaration was signed, in collaboration with the Presidency of the CALRE, organize a seminar that, on the occasion of its 20th Anniversary, intends to advance the commitment signed by the CALRE with the European project during these years and contribute to broadening the dialogue on the challenges facing the European Union and providing new points of view that reinforce the strategic objectives of the European Union.

Agenda

Monday, July 24.

02.00.p.m.

Welcome to the participants.

Greetings . *Europe Room*.

Speakers::

President JGPA, Pedro Sanjurjo

President of CALRE, Juan Pablo Durán

President of the Congress of the Council of Europe, Gudrun Mosler-Törnström

President-elect of the European Committee of the Regions, Karl-Heinz Lambertz.

02.30 p.m.

Small snack in the cafeteria of the Parliament of the Principality of Asturias.

03.15 p.m..

The Seminar begins in the Hemicycle.

Statement by **Mr. Juan Pablo Durán**, President of CALRE 2017 and President of the Andalusian Parliament

Reading of the **Manifesto for the XX Anniversary of the CALRE**. In charge of the President of the General Assembly of the Principality of Asturias, **Mr. Pedro Sanjurjo**.

03.45 p.m.

First Seminar Session: Ideas for Europe.

Keynote Speaker: Prof. **Joxerramon Bengoetxea**. Proffesor of European Law, UPV/EHJ. **European Federalism and Autonomous Constitutional Regions**.

Moderator:

Mr. Juan Pablo Durán. President of CALRE.

Pannelists:

Karl-Heinz Lambertz. President-elect of the European Committee of the Regions.

Gudrun Mosler-Törnström. President of the Congress of the Council of Europe.

Raffaele Cattaneo. Vicepresident of CALRE.

04.30 p.m.

Debate.

05.00 p.m.

Coffe-break.

05.30 p.m.

Second Session.

A citizen´s Europe.

Keynote Speaker: Mr. **Francisco Fonseca**. Deputy Director General for Justice and Consumers of the European Commission. **Bottom-up processes and the future EU**

Moderator: **Enric Morera**. President of COPREPA the Spanish Conference of Presidencies of Autonomous Parliaments.

Pannelists:

Pedro Cervilla. Director of Registry and Legal Affairs, Committee of the Regions

Guillermo Martinez. Minister for the Presidency. Government of Asturias

06:15 p.m.

Debate

06.45 p.m.

End of Session 2.

07.30 p.m.

Reception to the participants offered by the President of the Principality of Asturias,
Hon. Javier Fernández.

Museum of Fine Arts of Asturias.

08.30 p.m.

End of the reception.

09.00 p.m.

Dinner of the participants in Oviedo. *Casa Fermín* Restaurant.

Tuesday, July 25.

09.30 a.m.

Third session.

Reply to the skeptic

Keynote speaker: Mr. Yves Bertoncini. Director. Institut Jacques Delors. « **Between euroscepticisms and europhobia : what perspectives for the EU ?** »

Moderator: **Carolina Darías San Sebastián.** Co-Coordinator of the CALRE's Working Group "Migration, social policies and human rights. Unaccompanied foreign minors.

Pannelists:

Rosa Peñalver. President of the Parliament of Murcia.

Philippe Courard. President of the Parliament of the Federation Wallonie-Bruselles.

10.30 a.m.

Debate.

11.15 a.m.

Coffee-break.

11.30 a.m.

Fourth session of Seminar.

The strength of a brand

Keynote speaker: Mr. Andy Stalman. Branding Expert.

European Union: A brand to be built from the Regions.

Moderates: **Silvia Clemente Municio.** Coordinator of CALRE's Working Group on Depopulation and Ageing

Pannelist:

Ignacio Villaverde. Proffesor of Constitutional Law, Oviedo University.

12.30 p.m.

Debate.

01.30 p.m.

Informal lunch in the General Board cafeteria.

03:00 p.m.

Fifth session of the Seminar.

A new European axis?

Keynote speaker: Xosé Manoel Núñez Seixas. Professor of Contemporary History, Ludwig-Maximilian University, Munich: ***An extended Mitteleuropa or historical commitment? Perceptions about the future of the EU in Germany and Central Europe.***

Moderates: **Franco Iacop.** Coordinator of the Conference of Presidencies of the Legislative Assemblies of the Regions and Autonomous Provinces of Italy

Pannelists:

Roberto Ciambetti. President of the Regional Council of the Veneto Region.

Bernardo Fernández. President of the Advisory Board of the Principality of Asturias.

04.00 p.m.

Debate

05.00 p.m.

Sixth session of the Seminar.

The history of the future

Keynote speaker: Paz Andrés Sáenz de Santamaría. Proffesor of International Laws, Oviedo University :***The European Union and the new post-Brexit scenarios.***

Moderates: **Blanca Martín Delgado.** Coordinator of CALRE's Working Group on Gender Equality

Pannelist:

Antonio Mastrovincenzo. President of the Legislative Assembly of Le Marche.

06.00 pm.

Debate.

06.45 p.m.

Closing ceremony.



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Dissemination of the Seminar

The sessions will be broadcasted live and recorded and distributed on the TV of the General Board of the Principality of Asturias and also broadcasted in the CALRE website.

An edition of the materials presented will be made and a *rapporteur* for this purpose will prepare a summary document of the Seminar, that later this year will be distributed to the participants for confirmation of views for a further electronic publication.