Programme

On 20 and 21 April 2009, the Forum on 'Europe's Creative Regions and Cities' will focus on showcasing best innovative or creative regional or local practice. 100 'young creative talents' as well as regions and cities are invited to contribute to the Forum by presenting ideas, policies, programmes and projects stimulating creativity and innovation with the objective to offer a platform for exchange and networking. Below one finds a **preliminary programme** which will be updated as soon as further information is available:

Monday, 20 April 2009

9:30-10:00 Welcome Addresses
• Luc Van den Brande, President of the Committee of the Regions (tbc),
• Odile Quintin, European Commission Director General for Education, Training, Culture and Youth (tbc)
• A representative of the EDUC Commission of the Committee of the Regions (tbc)

10:00-12:30 "What makes regions and cities creative?"

Keynote speeches by leading scholars followed by a panel debate involving representatives from five European regions, cities or projects supporting creative industries and innovation.

12:30-14:00 Lunch buffet

14:00-17:00 "Creative Villages"
Networking among creative talents in five villages on (1) Arts and Culture; (2) Science, Research and Innovation; (3) Media, Information and Communication Technologies; (4) Urban Development and Urban Creativity; (5) Social Innovations

19:00-22:30 Forum Reception

Tuesday, 21 April 2009

09:00-12:30 Discovering Creative Belgium
Guided bus tour to projects in Brussels supporting artists and creative industries followed by a panel debate.

12:30-13:30 Lunch buffet.