

# Distinctly Birmingham

## EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION STEERING GROUP MEETING

### AGENDA

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#### Practical details:

Time: 13:00-14:30

Date: Friday 12 December

Venue: Committee Room 2  
The Council House  
Victoria Square  
Birmingham  
B1 1BB

Chair: Steve Harding, Research, Innovation & Enterprise, Birmingham City University

<i>From 12:30</i>	<i>Tea and coffee available. Participants welcome to arrive early for networking etc.</i>	
<b>13:00</b>	<b>1. Welcome. Introductions and apologies</b>	<i>Steve Harding</i>
<b>13:05</b>	<b>2. Notes of previous meeting.</b> Link provided in email	<i>Steve Harding</i>
<b>13:10</b>	<b><u>Thematic part of meeting</u></b>	<i>Steve Harding</i>
	<b>3. Our MEPs: Understanding their work and how we can work better with them</b>	
13:10	Neena Gill MEP	<i>MEPs</i>
13:20	Anthea McIntyre MEP	
13:30	Siôn Simon MEP	
13:40	Questions, comments and discussion	<i>All</i>
<b>13:50</b>	<b><u>Core part of meeting</u></b>	
	<b>4. Update on Priority 1 of our action plan - Deepening exchange, exposure and partnerships</b>	
	Update on Erasmus Plus workshop held on 25 November	<i>Abdul Qadir</i>

	<p>Partner city connection with Milan and BCU link to the Design for Europe project</p> <p>Partner cities of Frankfurt and Birmingham marking the centenary of the unofficial Christmas ceasefire in WW1</p>	<p><i>Steve Harding</i></p> <p><i>Jennifer Crisp</i></p>
<b>14:00</b>	<p><b>5. Update on Priority 2 of our action plan - Maximising large-scale, pan-European initiatives to support the development of Birmingham's key growth sectors:</b></p> <p>Climate KIC (to be confirmed with Katharine)</p> <p>Active and healthy ageing KIC</p>	<p><i>Katharine Fuller</i></p> <p><i>Andrew Roadnight</i></p>
<b>14:10</b>	<p><b>6. Update on Priority 3 of our action plan - Supporting the city's competitiveness and innovation agenda through European working</b></p> <p>Plans for Horizon 2020 workshop aimed at SMEs</p> <p>UoB collaboration agreement with the European Commission's Joint Research Centre</p> <p>Event at UoB - Marie Curie Actions: Bridging Business and Research, 18 February</p> <p>Enterprise Europe Network update</p>	<p><i>Stuart Russon</i></p> <p><i>Xavier Rodde</i></p> <p><i>Xavier Rodde</i></p> <p><i>Sunny Claire</i></p>
<b>14:20</b>	<p><b>7. Update on Priority 4 of our action plan - Develop greater joined-up working among local partners, as well as closer working with our ambassadors in Europe to further enhance Birmingham's reputation and influence</b></p> <p>Working with our MEPs and the European Parliament (covered in agenda item 3)</p> <p>Update on Benefits to Birmingham of being in the EU publication.</p> <p>Update on Birmingham and the EUROCITIES network</p>	<p><i>Heather Law</i></p> <p><i>Jennifer Crisp</i></p>
<b>14:25</b>	<p><b>Any other business</b></p> <p><b>Date of next meeting</b></p>	
<b>14:30</b>	<b>Close of meeting</b>	