

**REUNITING EUROPE THROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT
INAUGURATION OF THE OECD LEED CENTRE, TRENTO**

09.30-10.00

Opening Session

Chaired by Ambassador Carlos Flores Alcocer, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the OECD and Chairman, LEED Directing Committee

Welcome statements:

- Mr. Lorenzo Dellai, President, Autonomous Province of Trento
- The Hon. Donald J. Johnston, Secretary-General, OECD

10.00-11.00

Session on: ‘The OECD-LEED Centre, Source of Opportunities and Growth’

Chaired by Sergio Arzeni, Head, LEED Programme, OECD

Keynote speakers:

- Mr. Xavier Greffe, Professor of Economy, University of Paris I (Sorbonne) and Scientific Co-ordinator, OECD/LEED Forum on Partnerships and Local Governance
“Local Governance and Partnerships: Keys to Local Development”
- Mr. Jay Mitra, Director, Centre for Entrepreneurial Studies, Luton Business School and Scientific Coordinator, OECD/LEED Forum for Entrepreneurship
“Fostering a Culture of Entrepreneurship”
- Mr. Greg Clark, Associate Director, London Development Agency and President, OECD/LEED Forum of Cities and Regions
“The Role of Cities and Regions in the New Europe”
- Mr. Patrick McClure, Chief Executive Officer, Mission Australia and President, OECD/LEED Forum of Social Innovations
“Social Innovation for Sustainable Development”

Session Closing Remarks: Mr. John Martin, Director, Employment, Labour and Social Affairs, OECD

11.00-11.30

Coffee break

11.30-12.00

- The Hon. Franco Frattini, Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs
“The Italian Support to Fostering Entrepreneurship and Local Development in Central and Eastern Europe”

12.00-12.45

Session on: ‘Strengthening Democratic Representation at all Levels throughout Europe’

Chaired by Ambassador Francesco Olivieri, Permanent Representative of Italy to the OECD

Introductory Statement:

- The Hon. Henry McLeish, former Member of the Scottish Parliament, former First Minister of Scotland
“Devolution, Decentralisation and the New Role of Local and Regional Authorities in OECD Countries”

Keynote speaker:

- The Hon. Andreas Khol, President, Austrian Parliament
“Austria: A Federal Country Reinventing Local Governance”
- The Hon. Marek Borowski, President, Polish National Assembly
“Poland’s Presidency of the CEI and its Role in Reuniting Europe”

12.45

Closing Remarks

- The Hon. Pier Ferdinando Casini, President, Italian Parliament

Buffet Lunch