



European Alliance Group workshop  
**Local and regional authorities fostering energy transition policies**  
**09<sup>th</sup> October, 9.00 – 10.45**  
**Committee of the Regions, Brussels (room JDE 70)**

With the entry into force of the Paris Climate Agreement, the EU has set higher renewable energy and energy efficiency targets to accelerate the transition to a cleaner energy system and achieve climate goals. Regions and cities' role is central to make this transition happen. They are at the forefront in implementing ambitious policies but they need to be empowered with adequate means and enabled to participate in the definition of their national energy and climate plans.

Local and regional policy makers, experts and practitioners will share examples of good practices and discuss about innovative approaches to energy efficiency and diversification supporting the creation of new jobs and growth.

***Programme***

- 09h00            Introductory speech  
                    Stanisław Szwabski, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of the EA Group
- Driving the energy transition: the SET Plan perspective  
                    Andy Kontoudaki : DG ENER, New technologies and innovation
- Cities driving the energy transition: the Urban Agenda partnership on Energy  
                    Transition  
                    Carlos Chocarro, Sustainability & Territorial Agency of Navarra
- Improving energy efficiency and promoting renewable energy production:  
                    Flanders' experience  
                    Andries Gryffroy, Member of the Flemish Parliament
- How locally determined contributions can add to achieving energy transition  
                    Cllr Andrew Cooper, Kirklees Council & CoR rapporteur on Climate Governance  
                    and CoP 24
- Questions from the floor – debate
- 10h40            Concluding remarks