

PR FESR SICILIA 21-27



EUROPEAN WEEK of Regions & Cities

Strong Regions, Strong Europe

EVENT PROGRAMME

Delivering STEP: *the role of Regions in advancing Europe's Strategic Technologies*

Tuesday 13 October 2026

Brussels

Office of the Presidency of the Sicilian Region | 12 Rue Belliard

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Side event #EURegionsWeek Close to you

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Brussels Office of the Presidency of the Sicilian Region

12, Rue Belliard - 1040 Bruxelles, Belgium

13 October 2026 / 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

9:00 - 9:30 | Registration and Welcome Coffee

- Participant registration
- Distribution of information and promotional materials

9:30 - 9:45 | Institutional Greetings

- **Filippo Nasca**, *Director General, Regional Department for Extra-Regional Affairs - Brussels Office of the Presidency of the Sicilian Region*
- **Vincenzo Falgares**, *Director General, Regional Department for Programming - Presidency of the Sicilian Region*
- **Renato Schifani**, *President of the Sicilian Region (or his representative)*

INTRODUCTION TO THE SESSION

*moderated by **Angela Antinoro** - Head of the Communication Service of the Department for Programming of the Presidency of the Sicilian Region - FESR Sicilia Communication Manager*

10:00 - 10:20 | STEP and the European Commission's Strategic Priorities

*by **Irati Icardo Isasa**, *Policy Officer, STEP Taskforce (DG BUDG), European Commission**

10:20 - 10:40 | Implementing STEP within Italy's Cohesion Policy

*by **Federica Busillo**, *Director General, Office for European Cohesion Policy - DPCOE, Presidency of the Italian Council of Ministers**

10:40 - 12:10 | Regional Authorities and STEP: from strategic priorities to implementation

- **ALGARVE REGION** | **Aquiles Marreiros**, *Member of the Steering Committee, Algarve Regional Programme 2030*
- **CAMPANIA REGION** | **Fiorella Ciullo**, *Head of Unit, Managing Authority for the ERDF Regional Programme - STEP Platform Coordinator*
- **SICILIAN REGION** | **Dario Cartabellotta**, *Director General, Regional Department for Productive Activities - STEP Implementation Coordinator*

Interactive session with the audience

Q&A

CONCLUSION

13:00 | Networking lunch
