



## **AGENDA**

## SKILLS+ Final High-Level Event (Virtual) 2 December 2020

- 09.30 Welcome & Opening address
  - Thomas Webel, Ministry for Regional Development and Transport Saxony-Anhalt, Minister
- 09.45 The importance of digitalisation of business activities in rural areas in times of the pandemic
  - Viktória Krivenkó, Hungarian Ministry of Finance, EDIOP Managing Authority
  - Gumersindo Bueno Benito, Junta of Castile and León, General Director of Cultural Heritage
- 10.00 Interreg Europe: the state of play of interregional cooperation
  - Vincenzo Capocasale, Joint Secretariat, Finance Officer
- 10.15 Introduction of the SKILLS+ project
  - Frank Thäger, Ministry for Regional Development and Transport Saxony-Anhalt, Head of Unit
- 10.30 The interregional policy-learning of the SKILLS+ project Roundtable discussion with
  - Ana Zubčić, Zadar County Rural Development Agency, Head of International Cooperation Projects
  - Anny Zych, Malopolska Regional Development Agency, POSITION
  - Eistein Guldseth, Trøndelag County Council, Senior Advisor Digital Transformation
  - Yiannis Bakouros, Head of Regional Development and Cross Border Studies Dept., University of Western Macedonia
- 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.15 How digitalization transforms business and administrative operations Business testimonials from Saxony-Anhalt
  - Andreas Brohm, Mayor of Tangerhütte
  - Andreas Kluge, Head of Association Broadband Altmark
  - Sirko Scheffler, Head of Brain SCC GmbH
- 11.30 The perspective of external stakeholders Roundtable discussion with
  - Prof. Irena Pavlova, Sofia University, Department Software engineering
  - Aiga Irmeja, Latvian IT Cluster, Executive Director
  - Jan Skipala, Chamber of Commerce of the Moravian-Silesian Region, Enterprise Europe Network
  - Ninetta Chaniotou, Kainuun Regional Council
- 12h00 Wrap-up of the Event & Closing Remarks
  - Frank Thäger, Ministry for Regional Development and Transport Saxony-Anhalt, Head of Unit