

CONFERENCE THESSALONIKI, MAY 2014

The first Conference on European Territorial Cooperation: Promoting Best Practices and Sharing Experiences was held on 8 -9 May 2014 in Thessaloniki, Greece, under the Greek Presidency of the Council of Europe, organized by the Managing Authority of European Territorial Cooperation Programmes of R. Greece.

The Conference was attended by the General IPA Auditor and the Assistant General IPA Auditor for the Department for Cross-Border Cooperation as representatives of the Audit Authority, as well as representatives of the Secretariat for European Affairs, project partners from R. Macedonia and R. Greece, and representatives of the European Commission - Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy as well as representatives of non-governmental organizations.

The goal of the Conference was to capitalize existing experiences and lessons learned and to focus efforts, in order to transform individual and institutional experience and knowledge into capital that can be used in the future, i.e. from IPA 1 to the new programming period. Round Table on Capitalization & Perspectives was held as well.

At the Conference there were addresses made by the Organizer to the participants and presentations on the methodology and results of the best practices by Project Lead Partners, as well as a presentation on facing the new Programming Period 2014-2010.