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## Demand Driven Innovations Through Triple Helix Cooperation in Chemical Regions

11<sup>th</sup> ECRN Congress

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The **11th Congress of the European Chemical Regions** brings together decision-makers, industry representatives and stakeholders from regions and the EU to exchange views and experiences.

The programme features speakers from regional authorities, the chemical industry, universities and research institutions. Participants will hear about and have a chance to discuss regional policies on **innovation** and **triple helix cooperation** and their application in practice. We will also look at the latest trends and future outlook of the European chemical industry, particularly in the context of **green growth** and innovation. Moreover, participants have a chance to explore a **“Market of Ideas”** – an exhibition area filled with displays and presentations of regional experiences, best practices and projects that illustrate the variety of activities taking place in and across chemical regions in Europe.

## Congress programme

*Congress moderator: Simone van Trier*

- 9:30                    **Registration**
- 10:00                    **Welcome**  
Twan Beurskens, ECRN Executive Board Member and  
Regional Minister of Economic Affairs of the Province of Limburg
- 10:05                    **Opening of the Congress**  
Hartmut Möllring, ECRN President and Minister of  
Science and Economy of Saxony-Anhalt
- 10:15                    **Keynote speech**  
*Limburg and its Open Innovation policy on the Campuses  
in the Knowledge Axis*  
Martin Paul, President of University Maastricht
- 10:45                    **Keynote speech**  
*NRW as a chemical region, what is the way forward?*  
Karl-Uwe Bütof, ECRN Vice-President and Director at the Ministry for Economic  
Affairs, North Rhein-Westphalia
- 11:15                    **Coffee break & networking**
- 11:45                    **Examples of triple helix cooperation in action:**
- 11:45                    *AMIBM (Aachen-Maastricht Institute on Biomedical Materials) as an innovation  
driver from the knowledge side*  
PD Dr.-Ing. Gunnar Seide, Aachen University
- 12:00                    *Tools of strategic government of industrial innovation*  
Jan Larosse, Ministry for Innovation, Flanders
- 12:15                    *DSM and examples on Open Innovation*  
Herman Worries, DSM Innovation Center
- 12:30                    **Lunch break**

- 13:00                    **Market of Ideas**  
Animated open forum with illustrations of regional experiences and displays of best practices and projects, including:
- Innovation collaboration for SME's: GCS and TTC (Maastricht, NL)
  - Value creation partnership programme, Chemie-Cluster Bayern (Bavaria, DE)
  - Green Chemistry Cluster (Mazovia, PL)
  - Innovative Chemical Logistics – intermodal transport of dangerous goods (Saxony-Anhalt, DE)
  - FISCH; Flanders Innovation Hub for Sustainable Chemistry (Flanders, BE)
  - NANOFORCE: exploiting Nanotech in Central Europe (Lombardy, IT); Nanotech from lab to market (Bavaria, DE)
  - EYCN: European Young Chemists Network
  - Regional cooperation platform and European project experiences - perspectives from Ústí Region (Ústi, CZ)
  - LOCIMAP project, NEPIC (Tees Valley, UK)
  - Nanora project, NanoHouse (Sittard, NL)
- 14:30                    **Wrap-up of Market of Ideas**
- 14:45                    **Île de France: a guest region with a significant chemical backbone**
- 15:00                    **Dutch Association of Chemical Industry on Bio-based Developments**  
Paul Hamm, VNCI
- 15:15                    **Perspectives on Green Growth**  
Short interviews with representatives from ECRN regions, ECRN Executive Board and triple helix partners
- 16:00                    **Congress Declaration and closing of the event**  
Hartmut Möllring, ECRN President