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“Europe in my region” photo competition

Would you like to win up to €1,000 worth of digital camera equipment, plus a trip for two to Brussels? Take part in the 'Europe in my Region' photo competition this summer!

The competition will be hosted on the European Commission's Facebook page. Participants will be invited to enter photos in two categories:

- 'My Project', open to organisations that have benefited from EU regional funding (i.e. from the European Regional Development Fund or the Cohesion Fund)
- 'Eyewitness', open to anyone living in the EU who spots a project either in their region or when visiting another region.

To take part, all participants need to do is take a photo of a project which includes evidence of EU regional funding (e.g. featuring a billboard, signpost, plaque, etc., with the EU flag and funding information in the pictures). Two winners will then be selected in each category; one by popular vote and one by jury from a selection of the most popular remaining entries. Photos will be judged on their aesthetic quality, creativity and relevance to EU regional policy.

Help us to share the news about the competition and show off some of the great projects around Europe receiving regional funding. Follow @EU_Regional on Twitter and the EC Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/EuropeanCommission>) for more news soon. And finally, whether you're at home or abroad, don't forget to keep your eye out for projects and your camera at the ready!

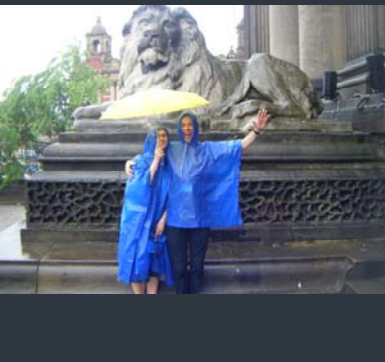
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Kirkstall Festival

We went to the popular Kirkstall Festival last weekend and it was a great day!



Fortunately it didn't rain while we were there –but we would have actually been prepared.



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HENRI MALOSSE Will Become the New President of the European Economic and Social Committee for the Mandate 2013-2015

On the 11th July 2012, the European Economic and Social Committee's Employers' Group elected Mr. Henri Malosse as President of the institution from 2013, according to the principle of rotation between the Groups. He will be the 30th president of the EESC. He is at the head of the Employers' Group since October 2006, which represents at the EU level, the interests of European entrepreneurs and business associations working in industry, commerce, services and agriculture and is one of the three pillars of the EESC.

"Strengthening the common European values around entrepreneurship and solidarity". The new president envisages a real political ambition for this European institution: **"The EESC must strengthen its capacity to anticipate and to assess by engaging a radical reform of its working methods. This is the only way to review the European debate and thus contribute to bringing citizens and EU and strengthening the European identity".**

Henri Malosse is also advisor on European affairs to the French Assembly of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (ACFCI). He has followed for many years European issues and is the inspiration behind many European programs, particularly with regard to small and medium enterprises. He also teaches on European issues in Strasbourg, Paris, Moscow and Wroclaw.



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