

## The Regional Signal Panel Questionnaire

### 1) Globalisation

- a) How do you understand globalisation?  
[your organisation]
- b) What do you see as the main challenges of globalisation to the organisation you work in?
- c) What do you see as the main opportunities?  
[the region]
- d) Do you see globalisation as an opportunity or threat to the region? Why?
- e) What kind of political initiatives do you think are needed for the region to benefit from the globalisation

### 2) Work and Learning

- a) What kind of values within the work environment and the labour market do you think are important to enrich the economic development?  
[If the respondent has difficulties in answering, the following ideas could help
  - i. Healthy work environment
  - ii. Balance between work and private life
  - iii. Flexible working hours or longer / shorter working hours
  - iv. Autonomous working methods
  - v. Early retirement vs. later retirement
  - vi. Flexible labour market (e.g. interim workers, project workers etc.)]
- b) Why are these values important?
- c) How do they contribute to the development of this region?
- d) What kind of qualities would your organisation and your staff, need to meet the challenges of globalisation?
- e) Do you think that our education system offers the right qualifications/training for the future?
- f) Can you suggest any changes?

### 3) Governance and Policy making

- a) For the development of the region (social and economic), do you think it is important to have strong regional / local strategies and politicians, the development be lead via national initiatives? [That is bottom up or top down]
- b) Do you think we have strong regional/local strategies and strong politicians?
- c) ..Or are we mainly lead by national and international initiatives?
- d) Do you think that the policy making in the region is holistic or fragmented? Can you give us examples of key areas which are fragmented and could be joined up?
- e) What is good policy making and what do you see as being the best way to develop policy in order to meet the challenges of globalisation.



## 4) Informed and engaged citizens

- a) Do you think that citizens are engaged and active in the regional decision making process?
- b) Do you think it is important that they are?
- c) If yes, what are the important factors which can make citizens more engaged in their local / regional society? [What steps can we take?]
- d) If no, explain.

## 5) Society

- a) What do you see as the social attributes or elements which make up our society in the South West.
- b) Which of these attributes should we be promoting for the 'Health of the Region'?
- c) How well do the social values you have elaborated fit with the imperative of economic growth

## 6) Ageing population

- a) Do you see the ageing population as a problem?
- b) Is it more or less of an issue in this region? [How can we be more prepared?]

## 7) Culture and Environmental Heritage

- a) Is the cultural and environmental heritage important to regional development?
- b) In what ways?
- c) Do you see any tensions between safeguarding heritage and regional development?

## 8) Regional Development

- a) What are your main concerns within the development of the region, what direction do you see the region heading in?
- b) How would you like the future to be for the region?
- c) What do you think should be done to create the future you would like to see for the region?
- d) What assets/characteristics do you think the region has which could provide it with the competitive advantage in the global competition? E.g. within the Labour market, Education, IT competences, Industrial sectors, Health, Social work, Culture, Environment, Nature
- e) [Does the region have special competences or structures which could be worthy developing to strengthen the region ]

## 9) Institutional performance

- a) What are the key public institutions whose energy needs to be harnessed for effective regional development.
- b) Do you think that they provide a good service towards enterprises and citizens?
- c) Can you suggest any changes?

