



Dear Sir/ Mad am,

For centuries, the European landscape has been scarred by war and defence lines. Today this fortification heritage is a chance for connection and local and regional development across ancient or present borders. Defence lines have per definition been constructed at European borders. In today's Europe, European partners seek cooperation in the mutual cultural and economic development of towns, cities and regions. A workshop is being organized on how European partners see their future line work. There is also the desire to define a roadmap towards a common European project.

You are invited to participate in the workshop on <u>16 May 2019</u>. The workshop is organised by partners Township Olst-Wijhe (IJssellinie) and EFFORTS. Invited are representatives and European policy specialists from European cities, provinces and regions. The workshop is held in the town hall of Olst-Wijhe.

Address of townhall Olst-Wijhe: Raadhuisplein 1 8131 BN Wijhe The Netherlands.

## Programme

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10.00 A.M.	Welcome at townhall Olst-Wijhe with a cup of coffee / tea
10.30 A.M. to 2.00 P.M.	<ul> <li>Welcome by Mayor Ton Strien of Olst-Wijhe</li> <li>Presentation of possible European cooperations 2019</li> <li>Presentation of fortified heritage and vision on EU cooperation from each town or line-participant</li> <li>Break – sandwich lunch.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Discussion on possible European cooperation</li> <li>Conclusion</li> </ul>
2.00 P.M.	Visit to The IJssel Line (IJssellinie)
3.30 P.M. to 4.00 P.M.	A drink after the meeting

You can send an email to <u>rafael.deroo@efforts-europe.eu</u> to register for the workshop. If there are any special dietary needs, please let us know. We kindly ask you to register before April 26th. For questions or comments you can also contact Rafael Deroo of EFFORTS Europe:

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We hope to welcome you on May 16th.

Yours sincerely,

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