Interreg Europe

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Key **programme** features

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**Information event
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Cohesion policy & Interreg programmes

- 4 strands, each strand with its own scope and objectives
- 86 programmes, 10 billion euros ERDF

A	**Cross-border**	**64** programmes **EUR 6.7 billion**	
B	Transnational	**13** programmes **EUR 2.3 billion**	
C	**Interregional**	**4** programmes **EUR 560 million**	**Interreg Europe** Urbact, Interact, Espon
D	**Outermost regions**	**5** areas **EUR 330 million**	

MEUR 394

PROGRAMME BUDGET*

* IPA funding to be approved

Interreg Europe **objective**

To improve regional development policy instruments (including Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes)

How?

Through 'exchange of experience, innovative approaches and capacity building' (based on the identification & transfer of good practices)

- Primarily dedicated to **policymakers**
- Focus on **exchange of experience**

→ Different from cross-border or transnational cooperation

What is a **policy instrument**

?

A means for **public intervention**:

- a strategy, programme or law

- developed by public authorities

- applied to improve a specific territorial situation

Investment for jobs and growth goal programmes are policy instruments.

What is a 'policy responsible authority'

?

- The **organisation in charge** of the elaboration and/or delivery of a specific **policy instrument**

- In most cases, a **public** institution

Example of a **policy instrument**

eTrøndelag strategy is the policy for the digital development of the **Sør-Trøndelag County Council** in Norway. It was launched 10 years ago and is manager by the Unit in charge Regional Development. It promotes to the use and exploitation of ICT across industries and sectors and consists of four areas: Digital Infrastructure, Digital Municipality, Digital Innovation and Digital Literacy.

What is a **policy improvement**

? Our projects report **three types of results**:

- New projects

- Change in governance

- Change in the policy instrument itself

Example of a **policy improvement**

eTrøndelag strategy

The County Council launched two new projects:

1. Industry 4.0 Trøndelag: Increasing digital skills in small and micro businesses

2. The Library: a local digital technology hub

Funds influenced: 1.5 MEUR

Inspiration from:
Study visit in Germany with the presentation of ICT Strategy of Saxony-Anhalt & ICT Cluster Central Germany + good practice from Latvia (Ventspils Digital Centre)

Programme area

Interreg Europe's eligibility area extended to **36 Partner States**

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Programme **scope**

1 cross-cutting priority on capacity building ➡️ **six topics**

| SMART | GREEN | CONNECTED | SOCIAL | CITIZENS | GOVERNANCE |

Concentration principle (80%)

Two **actions**

Projects

Limited number of regions exchanging and transferring experience on a shared regional development issue

Policy Learning Platform

Further exploiting projects' achievements and opening up the programme benefits to all

Platform in a nutshell

Policy-learning services through access to:

Knowledge
Find **policy solutions**
*(good practice database,
thematic publications)*
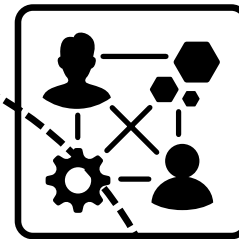
People
Meet our **community**
(thematic events, webinars)

Expertise
Get **policy advice**
*(peer reviews, matchmakings,
policy helpdesk)*

Access to **KNOWLEDGE**
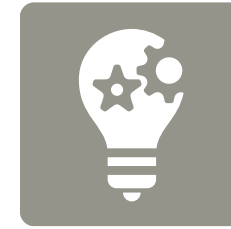
- Wealth of **policy solutions** available

Database **of good practices** from all EU

Analytical **policy briefs,** news and publications

https://interregeurope.eu/policy-solutions

Access to **PEOPLE**
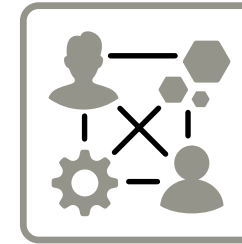
- Policy inspiration from practitioners to practitioners

10,000+ Interreg Europe **community members**

Thematic **policy-learning** events

https://www.interregeurope.eu/community

Access to **EXPERTISE**

- **Policy advice services** from our thematic experts

Peer reviews
in-dept analysis and
peer recommendations
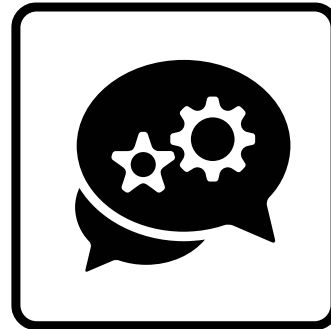
Matchmakings
Ideas on how to resolve
a policy challenge
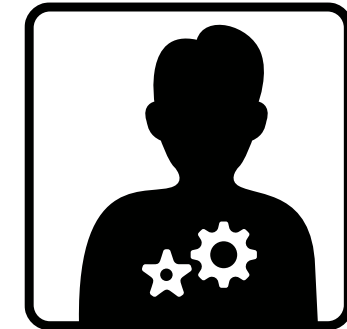
Policy helpdesk
Ideas on how to resolve
a policy challenge

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Matchmaking: Reducing the carbon footprint of buildings

▶ **Partnership of Latvian Constructors**

Peers from: **Austria, Portugal and Sweden**

Recommendations:

- Matchmaking with mutual interests

- Valuable exchange of knowledge and experience

- Foundation for bilateral follow-ups between the local stakeholders, the peers and the thematic experts. Durable source of exchanges among hosts and peers.

More information available here

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Peers

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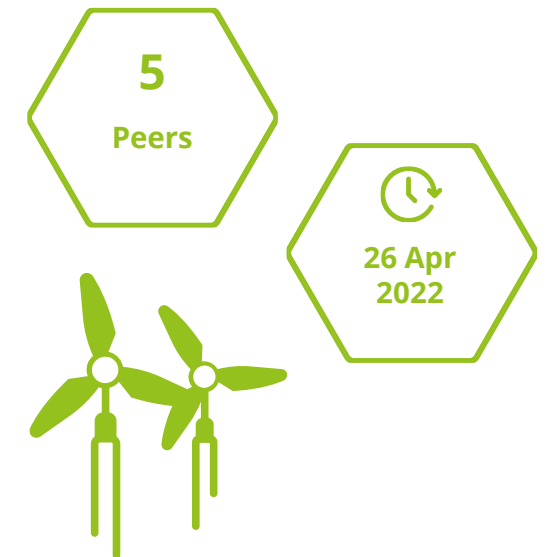
EXPERTISE: Over **70 peer reviews** delivered

Reports with recommendations **available** online

Ask for your PEER REVIEW!
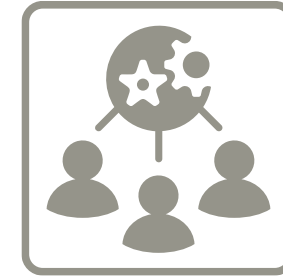
- Contact the Platform expert

- Apply any time

- Assessment of your application within 1 month

- Expertise tailored to your needs!

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Time for questions ?

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