

2014 - 2020

An accelerator for regional development



Interreg Europe helps governments at all levels improve their regional development policies, including their Structural Funds programmes, in **four areas**.



Our **cooperation projects** and the **Policy Learning Platform** create a unique policy learning environment in which national, regional and local governments can share solutions and good practices.

Key facts



322 MEUR allocated to cooperation projects

258

Project partnerships among institutions from all over Europe

4

Policy learning services for all European policymakers

What



Exchange of good practice and experience



Increase of professional capacity



Accelerate policy change

For whom



Regions in 30 countries



Governments, public and private institutions

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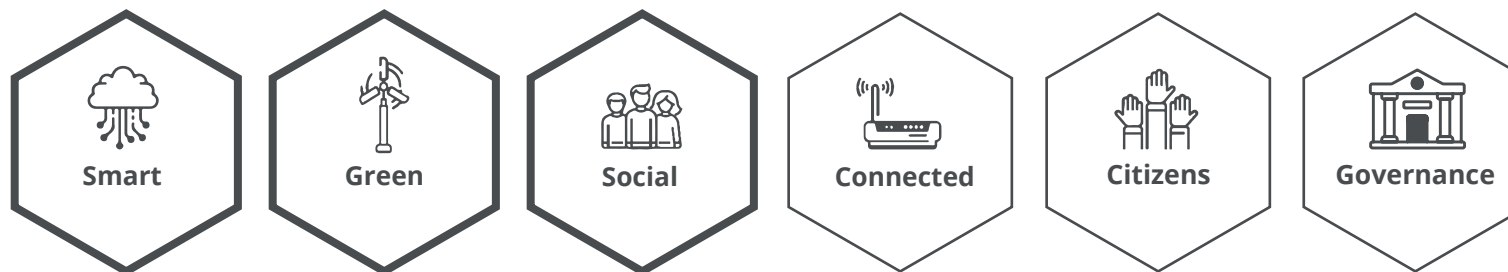


2021 - 2027

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Interreg Europe will continue with the objective
of a **better regional governance** in **six areas**.



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379 MEUR for
interregional
cooperation

EARLY
2022

Expected approval
by European
Commission

SPRING
2022

First call
for project
proposals

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Interregional cooperation projects



Partners from regions in **at least three European countries** work together to find solutions to their regional challenges. On average, there are eight partners per project.



Projects **work on a common policy issue** in one of the programme's topics. They look for good practices and tested solutions, which can help them solve their regional policy challenges. Each region develops and implements **an action plan** inspired by these solutions and good practices from other project partners.

Partnerships of European regions



Partners **meet regularly at workshops, study visits, staff exchanges, or peer reviews**. The partners work together for 3-5 years. They involve **local stakeholders** important for adopting relevant and successful solutions from other regions.

85%

The projects are **funded up to 85%** by the European Regional Development Fund.



The projects achieve policy improvements through an **implementation of new solutions** in their regions.

The project partners and their local stakeholders often need to **mobilise funds** for the implementation. A large proportion of this funding comes from the regional or national **Structural Funds programmes**.



"The real added-value is that working all together on the issues each one of us faces in our regions actually helps us to solve these issues and to get inspiration for new innovative ideas to work on with our local partner."

(PASSAGE project)



Research and innovation



SME competitiveness



Low-carbon economy



Environment and resource efficiency

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Policy Learning Platform



Get personalised advice

Whatever policy challenges you are facing, others in Europe are in a similar situation and can help with concrete solutions.

Contact our experts via the policy helpdesk for a list of suggested good practices, publications and contacts. Public authorities can request a peer review or a shorter matchmaking session.

Join the European policymakers' network

Network with 20,000 policymakers.

Participate in online and on-site thematic events, contact other community members, receive newsletters and invitations. Create an account to enjoy full access to our services.

Learn at your own pace

No time to attend events? **Explore our key recommendations for policymakers through a variety of formats.** Access policy briefs, webinars and peer review outcomes. Read about the latest EU trends, and stories featuring project results and good practices.

Inspire and get inspired

Europe is full of regional policy initiatives that proved their success and have the potential to inspire others. **The good practice database gathers over 2,300 good practices, reviewed and validated by experts.** Start exploring and share your own!



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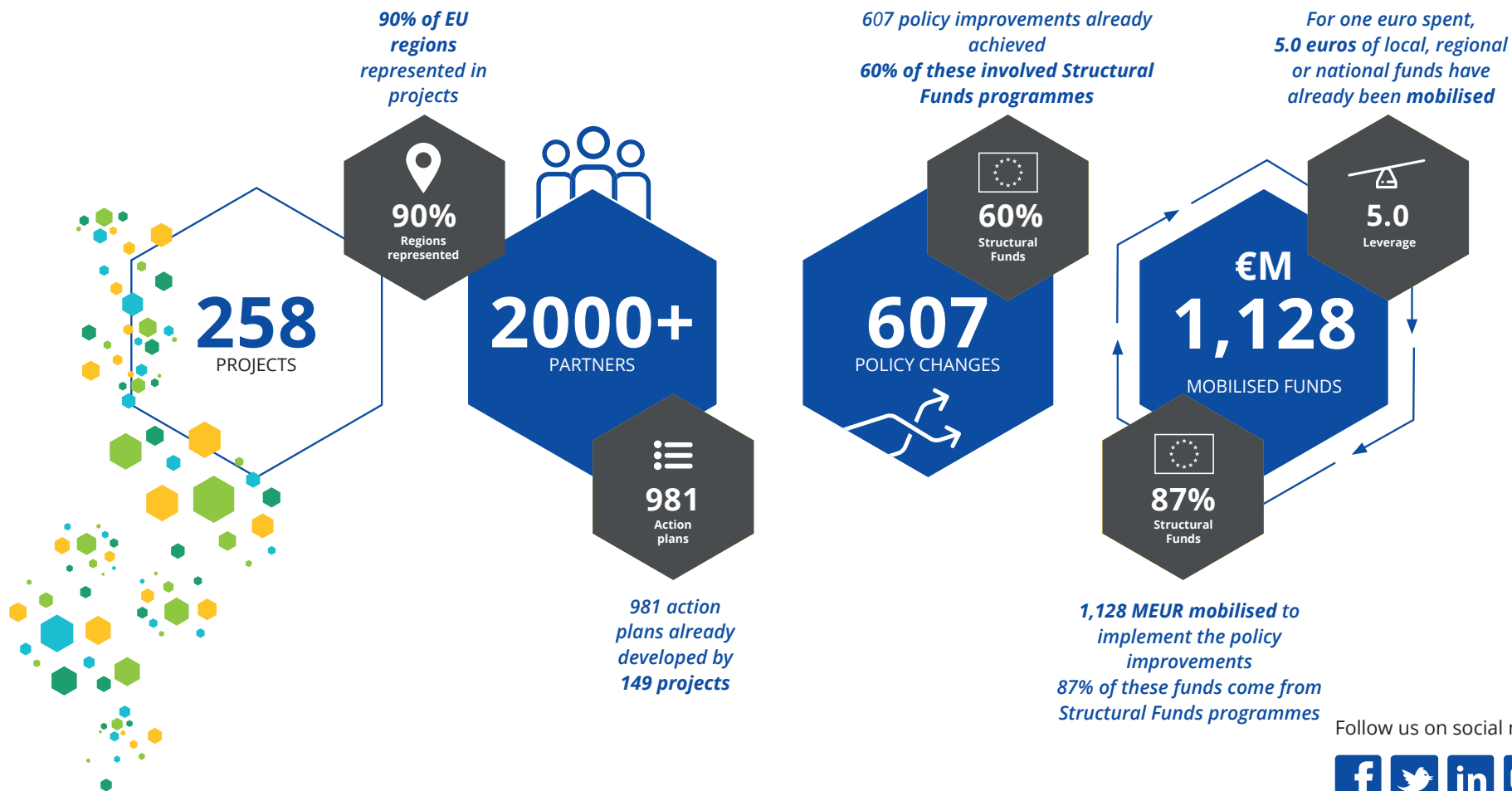
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Programme achievements

Our current programme runs until 2023.

Our cooperation activities have already led to many positive changes in national, regional and local development policies.



Figures as of June 2021.

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Programme success stories



IRELAND

Helping business and academia to collaborate

The Cyber Ireland cluster helps SMEs in south-west Ireland to exploit public research results and bridge the cyber skills gap. Good practices from Italy, Latvia and Lithuania have been influential in inspiring the development of the cluster.



SWEDEN

Going global with local support

The Gävleborg Export Centre, in North Central Sweden, has adopted a more demand-driven approach to supporting SMEs with export potential. Among its new services, inspired by Poland and Italy, the new centre now provides financial incentives and business advice.



SLOVAKIA

Information terminals for better public transport

Inhabitants and visitors to Slovakia's Košice region are enjoying new flexible transport options when visiting the local natural heritage. And they will soon use new public transport information terminals, inspired by ideas from Austria and Luxembourg.



GREECE

Helping SMEs to use resources efficiently

SMEs in Greece's Central Macedonia have been adapting their business practices for the circular economy with the help of a new one-stop liaison office and a voucher scheme. Inspired by ideas from Denmark, the office is promoting resource efficiency in the region through networking among SMEs.



AUSTRIA

Funding Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence

SMEs in Austria can work on trustworthy artificial intelligence projects thanks to a new programme 'KIplus'. The Austria Wirtschaftsservice Gesellschaft mbH shaped this funding programme following the recommendations of peers from Finland, Ireland, Poland, Spain and Switzerland at our Platform's peer review.