

Enhancing Rural Innovation Capacity and Performance: policy challenges and exchange of experiences

Thematic workshop, 5 December 2018, 08:45-17:00

This thematic workshop will allow participants to discuss, share experiences and learn about how to strengthen innovation capacity of rural and sparsely populated regions.



08:45-09:15	<p>Registration and coffee</p>
09:15-09:30	<p>Welcome and introduction from Interreg Europe JS Team and host region</p> <p>Erwin Siweris Programme director, Interreg Europe</p> <p>Monika Scherf Head of regional development office Lüneburg</p>
09:30-09:45	<p>Welcome from the Policy Learning Platform Research and Innovation Team</p> <p>Marc Pattinson and Carl Arvid Dahlöf Thematic Experts - Research and innovation</p>
09:45-10:00	<p>Participant introduction</p> <p>Interactive introductory exercise where participants introduce briefly their projects using “key words“ to the other attendees.</p>
10:00-11:15	<p>Updates on European level policies and research findings</p> <p>Presentation/panel session with representatives from OECD, European Commission and the Thematic Smart Specialisation Platform on Agri-Food. Followed by questions from thematic experts and audience.</p> <p>Andres Sanabria Regional and Rural Policy Unit Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Local Development and Tourism OECD</p> <p>Ingeborg Zaiser DG Agriculture and Rural Development European Commission</p> <p>Katerina Ciampi-Stancova (via link) Thematic Smart Specialisation Platform on Agri-Food</p>



11:15-11:30	Coffee break
11:30-12:45	Good Practice presentation and exchange on methods to enhance exchange experiences and impact on policy development Presentations of good practices by Interreg Europe projects, followed by questions from thematic experts and audience. P-IRIS (Lars Hustveit, Sogn and Fjordane County Municipality, Norway) Islands of Innovation (Simon Tijmsa, Province of Fryslân, Netherlands) RUMORE (Galya Vladova, HafenCity University Hamburg, Germany) RATIO (Michelle O'Sullivan, Cork Chamber, Ireland)
12:45-13:45	Networking lunch
13:45-14:45	Sharing experiences on the design of regional Action Plans Presentations of Action Plan design experience by Interreg Europe projects, followed by questions from thematic experts and audience. RATIO (Romina Magni de Antonio, FAMCP Federation of municipalities regions and provinces of Aragon, Spain) SKILLS+ (Ninetta Chaniotou, Kainuun Etu Oy, Finland) INNOGROW (Artūrs Penčura, Zemgale Planning region, Latvia)
14:45-15:00	Coffee break
15:00-16:15	Project Partner Session discussion on specific thematic areas Parallel discussion groups to discuss complementarities, ways to cooperate, and support measures from the Policy Learning Platform. A set of guiding questions will be prepared for each working group.
16:15-16:30	Reporting back from the break-out groups by experts/group rapporteurs
16:30-17:00	Concluding remarks and end of workshop Marc Pattinson and Carl Arvid Dahlöf Thematic Experts – Research and innovation

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