



### **Six more months of learning for the project partners**

Over the last 12 months Cohes3ion partners have had to adapt the way they learn and communicate with each other. To continue the learning journey phase 1 of the project has been granted a six month extension until January 2022. [Find out more here](#)



### **Virtual Dissemination Event**

A key milestone in the Cohes3ion project took place on 25<sup>th</sup> March when delegates from across Europe joined us for our a virtual event – ‘Making multi-level governance work in Smart Specialisation (S3)’. A panel of experts from Cardiff University, The Basque Institute of Competitiveness, the European Commission Joint Research Centre and the Fraunhofer Institute for Systems and Innovation Research presented policy recommendations from the project and shared their insights.

If you missed out on the event but would like to catch up you can [watch the recording here](#)

### **Good Practice Guide published**

Partner regions showcase their S3 good practice in the guide published as one of the key outputs from Phase 1 of the project. The aim of the good practices was for each region to show what has worked in their regions and what could be useful in other partners regions.

[Read the Good Practice Guide here](#)

### **Cohes3ion project good practices recognised by Interreg Europe**

Four partners have had their good practices highlighted as exemplars through their publication on the Learning Platform good practice database.

- Welsh Government, Wales – [SBRI Centre of Excellence](#)
- Business Metropole, Germany – [Industrial Site Management Ruhr](#)
- Mazowieckie, Poland - [CEZAMAT](#) connecting R&D infrastructure with the regional and (inter)national ecosystems of innovation
- Mazowieckie, Poland – [Warsaw Metropolis](#)
- Calabria Region, Italy – [Green Home](#)

See how you could benefit from learning from other regions [here](#)

### **Policy Recommendations Guide published**

The document highlights learnings and summarises challenges and areas for improvement, setting out five groups of policy recommendations. [Read the Policy Recommendations Guide here](#)

### **Date for your diary**

#### **Virtual Event – 6 October 2021 – 09:30 BST / 10:30 CEST**

The Vanguard Initiative brings together over 30 European regions who are committed to inter-regional collaboration, focused through their Smart Specialisation strategies.

This event is open to all Vanguard Initiative member regions. We also welcome participation from policy makers and stakeholders across Europe, including representatives from companies, clusters and academia involved in innovation, research and smart specialization.

[Book your place here](#)

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## **ABOUT**

COHES3ION will integrate local and regional priorities into regional innovation policies, such as Smart Specialisation, increasing their impact and performance in terms of growth and job creation.

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