

**Interreg
Europe**



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Interreg Europe overview

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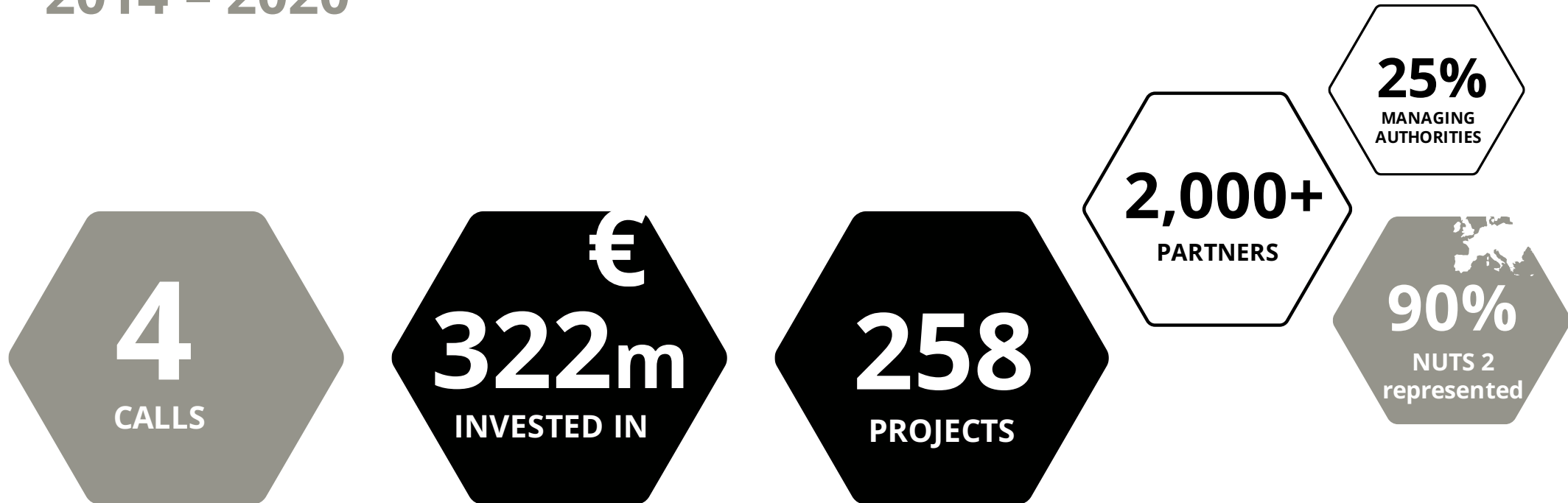


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1. Interreg Europe **state of play**

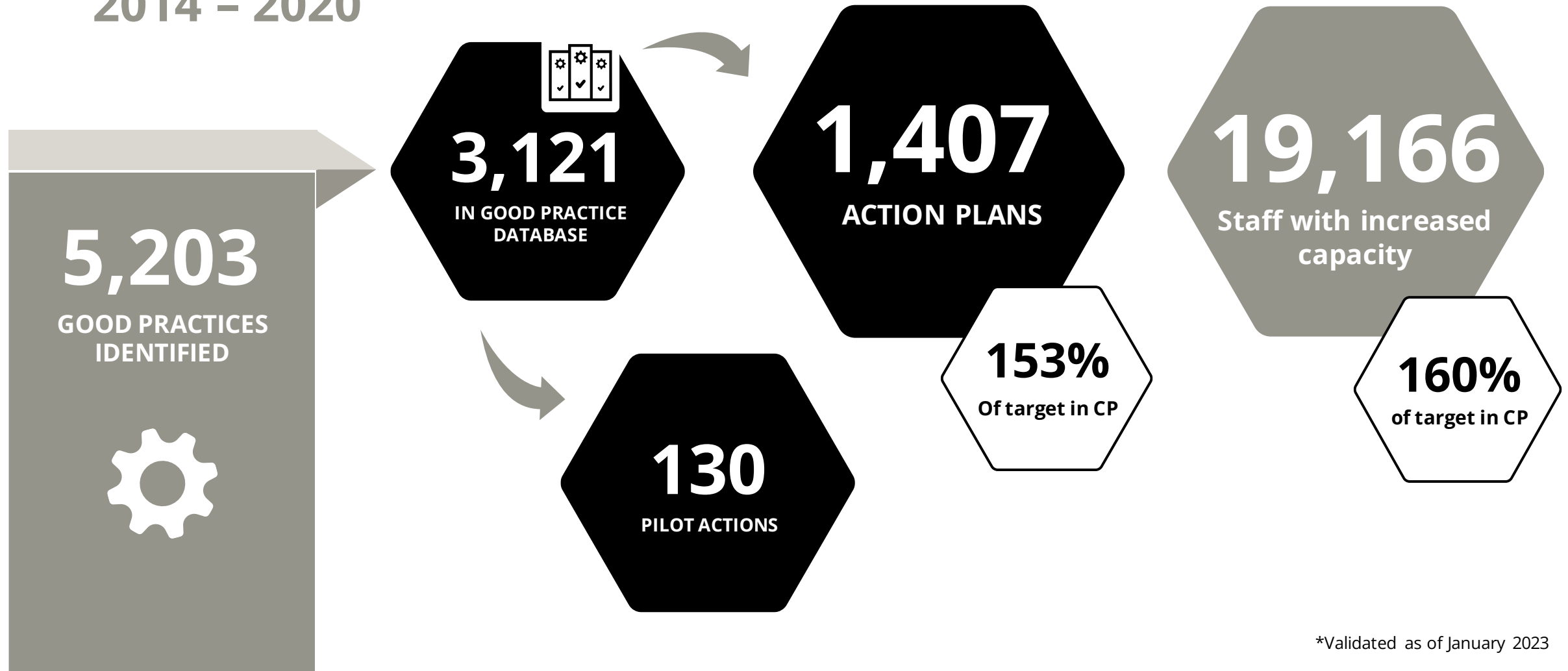
Interregional cooperation **projects**

2014 - 2020



Project* achievements

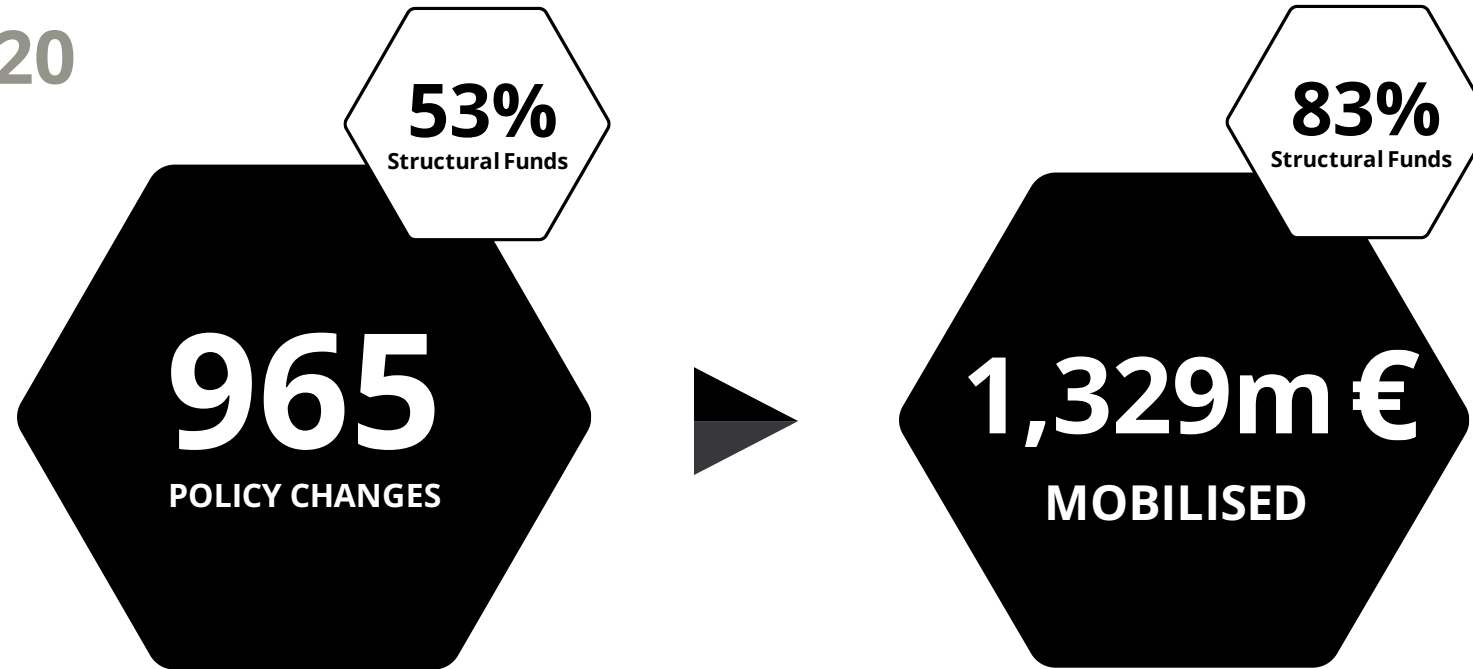
2014 - 2020



*Validated as of January 2023

Results achieved* by projects

2014 – 2020



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2. Low-carbon economy **SMEPlus**



Balanced allocation of projects per priority

Environment and
resource efficiency

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Low-carbon
economy

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Research and
innovation

65

SME
competitiveness

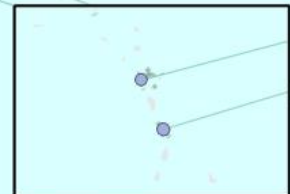
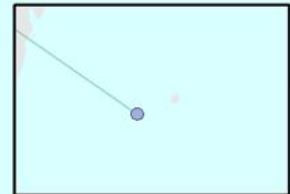
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Cooperation on low-carbon economy

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Projects

SMEPlus is the
only project
focusing on
SMEs

Partner role	Project connections
● Lead partners	Regions represented in the projects
● Partners	Regions not represented in the projects



Reunion

Guadeloupe

Atlantic Ocean

Arctic Circle

North Sea

Baltic Sea

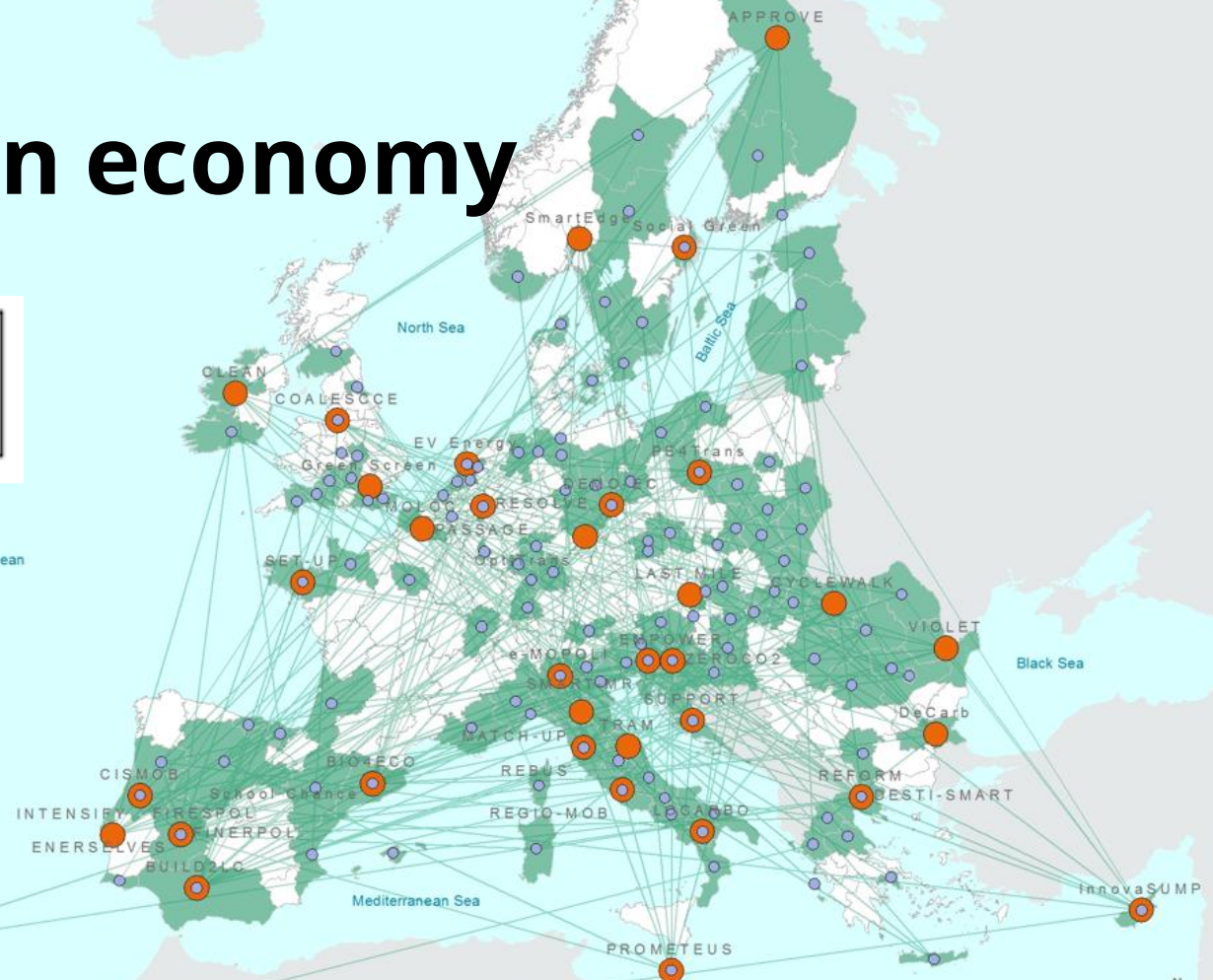
Black Sea

Mediterranean Sea



Coordinate System: ETRS 1989 LAEA
Central Meridian: 10°0'0"E

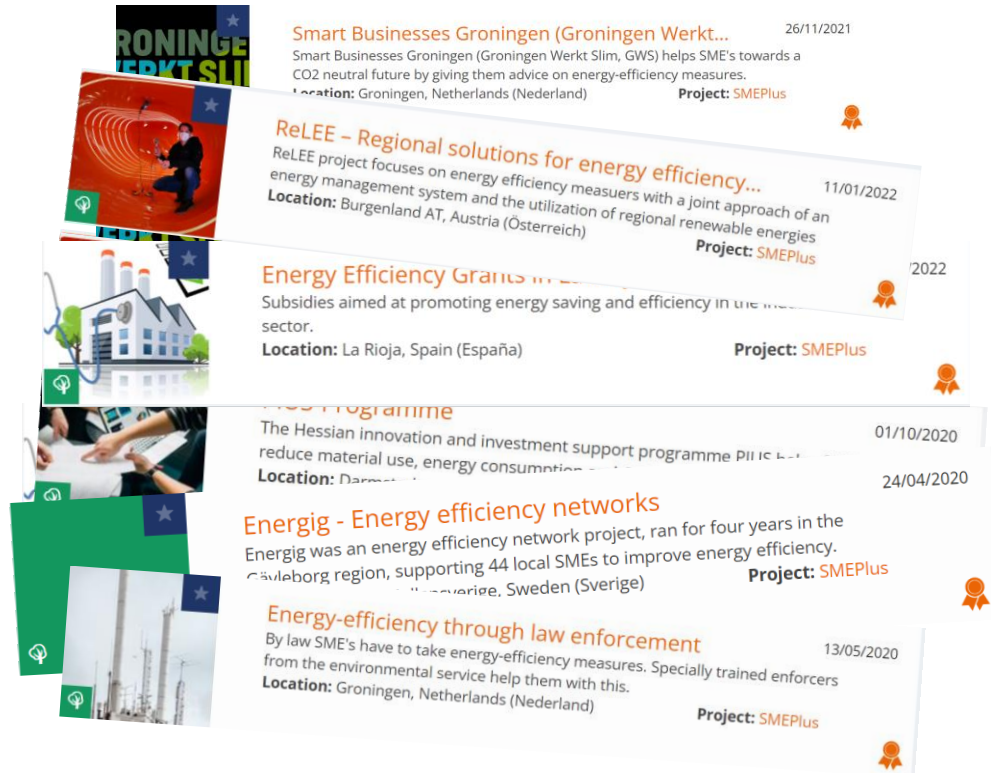
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Strengths of SMEPlus

- **Clear focus on Structural Funds programmes**
(5 policy instruments out of 6)
- **Achievements so far: 125 people with increased capacity**

Active contribution



- To Policy Learning **Platform** activities:
- **6 good practices** in Good practice database
 - 1 Matchmaking session
 - E-workshop on sustainable energy in SMEs
 - 1 PLP story on assisting SMEs in the low-carbon transition

3. Interreg Europe **2021-2027**



Sharing solutions for better regional policy



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 (in relation to the identification & transfer of good practices)

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



Different from cross-border or transnational cooperation

Programme **scope**

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



Concentration principle (80%)

Two actions



Projects

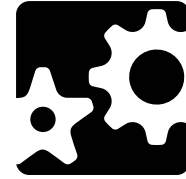
Limited number of regions exchanging and transferring experience on a shared regional development issue



Policy Learning Platform

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

Platform in a nutshell

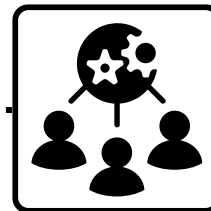


Provides **continuous policy-learning** opportunities
through access to:

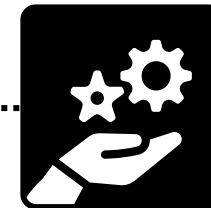
Knowledge



People



Expert support

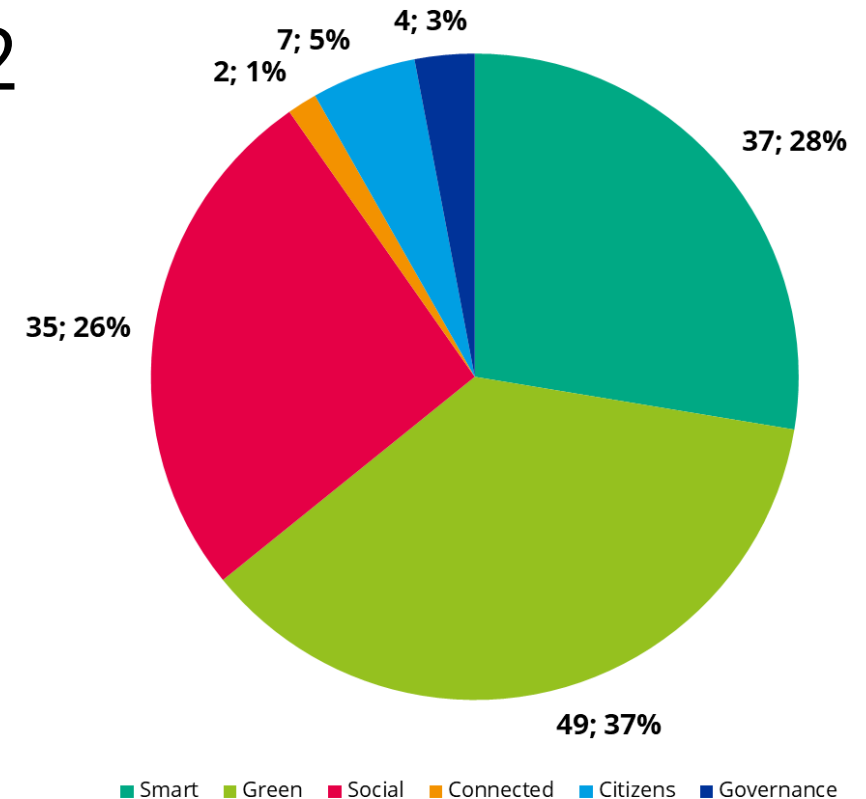
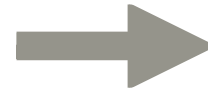


#policylearning

Calls for project proposals

First call closed on 31 May 2022

134	project proposals
1,073	partners coming from all partner states
EUR 1.4 million	average budget per project proposal
EUR 192 million	total ERDF budget requested



First call - **first lessons learned**

Eligibility

- Status of the **policy responsible authority**
- At least **one investment for jobs & growth goal programme**

Quality

- Description of the **policy instrument addressed**
- **Innovative character** (Interreg Europe cannot finance follow up projects)
- Geographical coverage **beyond transnational** cooperation areas (e.g., MED covers Slovenia, Bulgaria and part of France)

Calls for project proposals

Second call from 15 March to 9 June 2023

- Pre-call **online networking** events (Nov – Dec 2022)

15 Nov: **Smart**

17 Nov: **Social**

29 Nov: **Green**

01 Dec: **Connected, Citizens, Governance**

05 Dec: **Policy Learning Platform event**

- The call **launch event**

15 Mar 2023, Stockholm (SE): **Europe, let's cooperate!**

Recordings available!

All topics open



Project development assistance during call

Discover the programme

Look for funding

Approved projects

Get policy advice

Find policy

Next call for projects

Discover our terms of reference



1. Check project relevance

Use our self-assessment tool



2. Get inspired

See approved projects and project ideas



3. Share your project idea

Explain what you want to do with your project



4. Find partners

Look for relevant organisations



5. Ask for feedback

Get guidance before applying



6. Apply for the call

Submit your project proposal

Available during calls

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