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Interreg Europe overview

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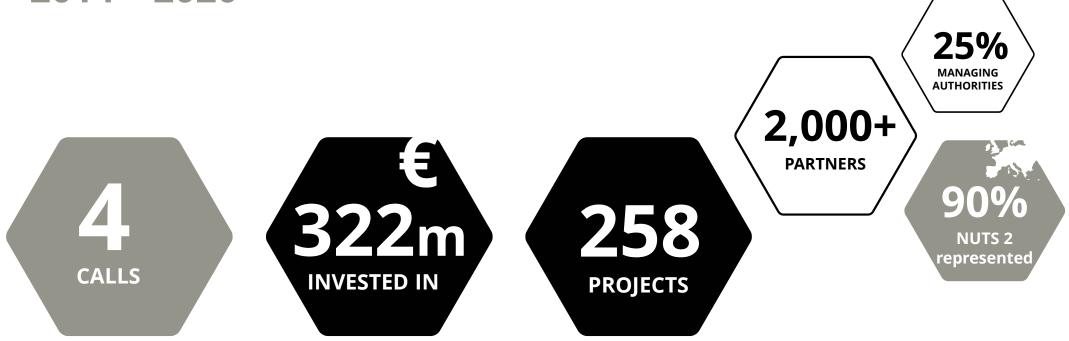
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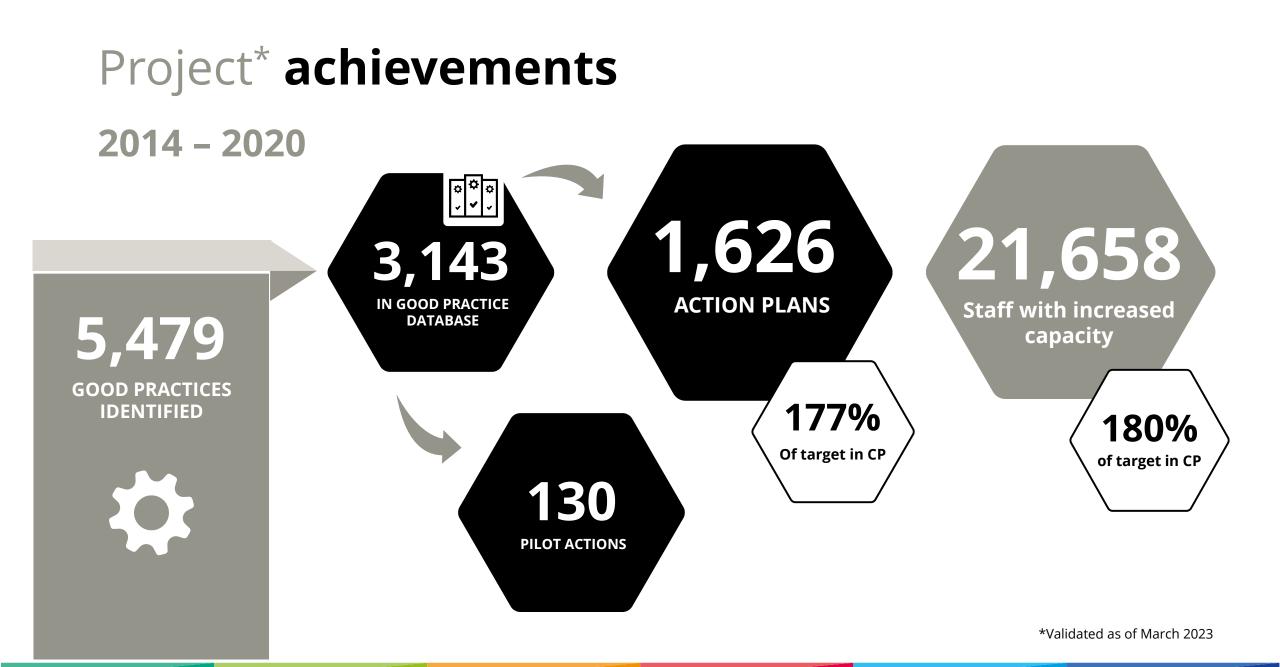
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Interreg Europe state of play

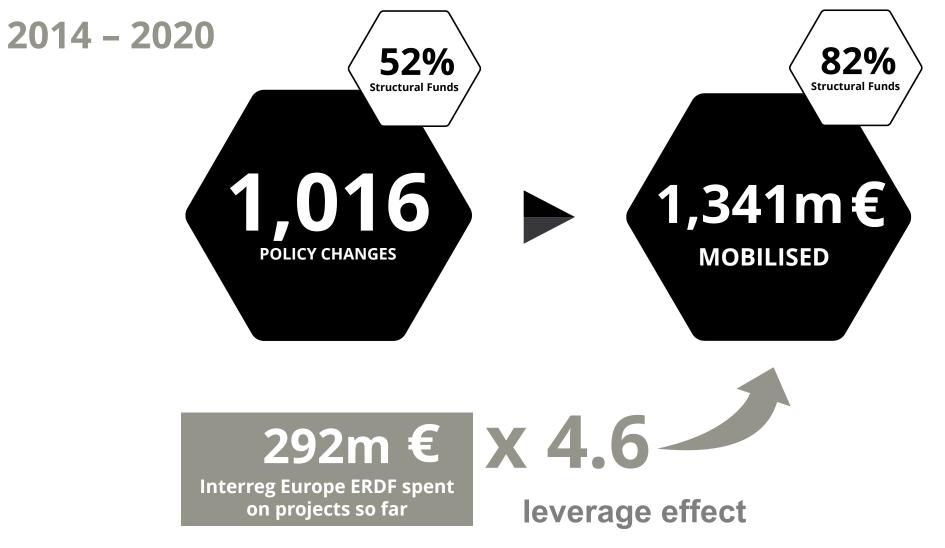
Interregional cooperation **projects** 2014 – 2020





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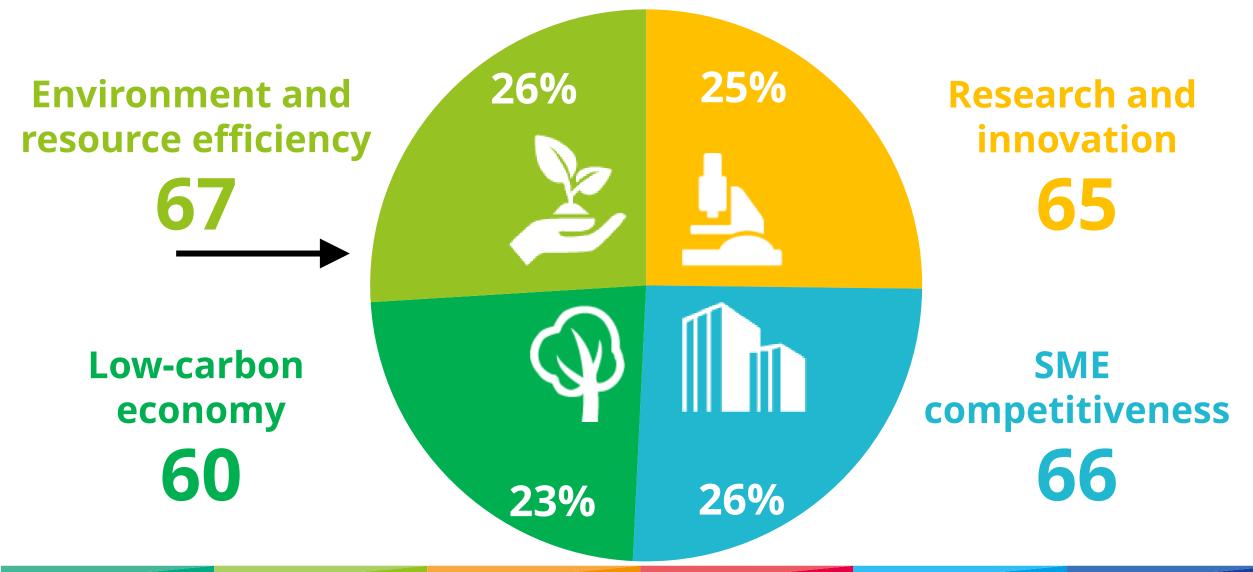
Results achieved* by projects



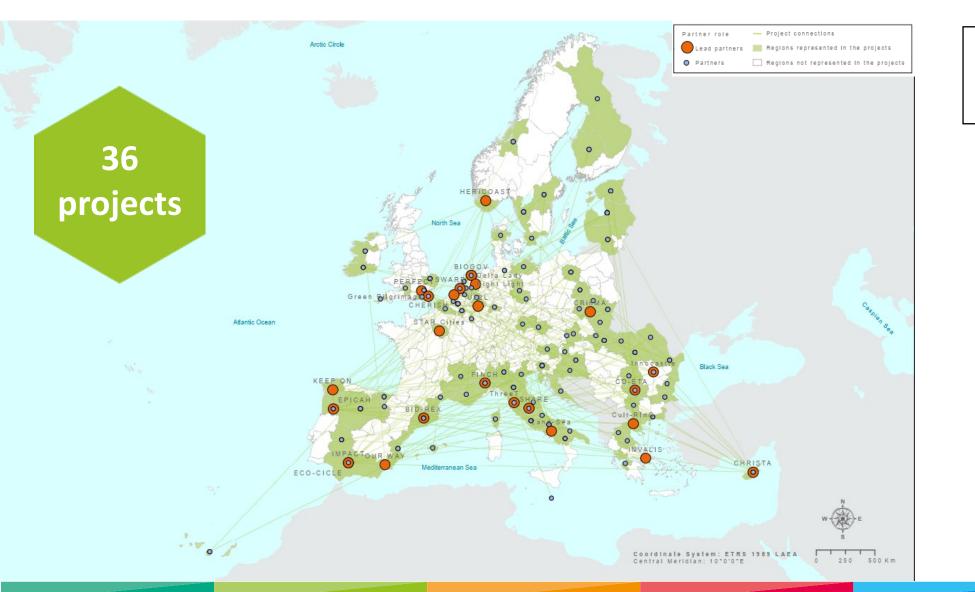
*Validated as of March 2023

Environment and resource efficiency PROGRESS

Balanced allocation of projects per priority



Cooperation on natural and cultural heritage



13 projects focused on fostering Natural heritage



1 pilot action on 'Green Infrastructure Decision Support for Ecosystem Services'

Clear **focus on structural funds** (**4**/6 policy instruments)

1 policy instrument already improved + other achievements to be reported in the last PR

Active contribution



To Policy Learning **Platform** activities:

- 21/25 good practices published in the PLP good practices database
- Participation in a thematic workshop ('Preserving and restoring ecosystems and biodiversity')
- Project featured in PLP Policy Briefs and Stories (on biodiversity, 'Greener and better prepared: cities and regions in the new EU Climate Adaptation Strategy', ...)

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Sharing solutions for

better regional policy





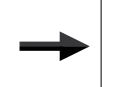
29 countries involved

Interreg Europe objective

Supports the identification and transfer of good practices among EU regions in order to improve regional development policies

Helps policy makers to find new solutions to their challenges

- Primarily dedicated to **public authorities**
- Focus on **exchange of experience**

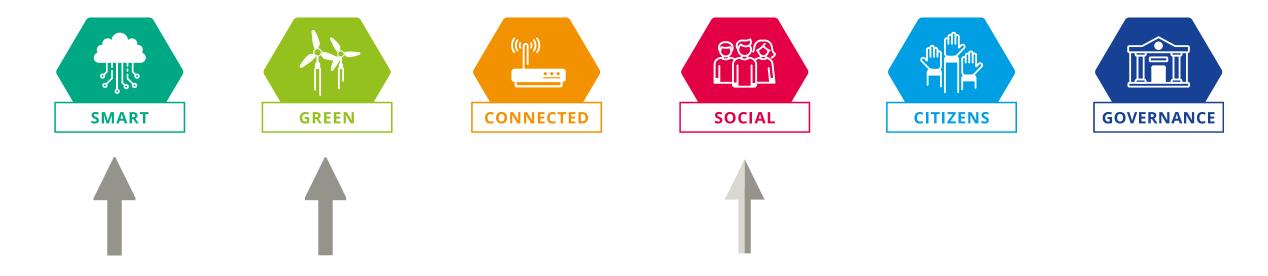


Different from crossborder or transnational cooperation

Programme **scope**

1 cross-cutting priority on capacity building





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







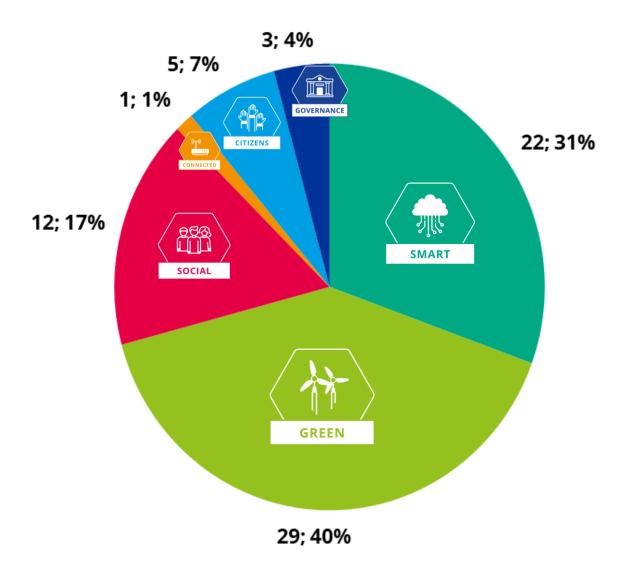
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First Call for project proposals

5 April to 31 May 2022

134 proposals submitted **72 projects approved**





First call - first lessons learned

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

Quality

Eligibility

2nd Call for project proposals

Open from 15 March to 9 June 2023

 Please check on our website the recordings of the pre-call online networking events organized in 2022:

Smart - 15 Nov 2022
Social - 17 Nov 2022
Green - 29 Nov 2022
Connected, Citizens, Governance - 1 Dec 2022
Policy Learning Platform event - 5 Dec 2022

• The call launch event

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



Project assistance during the call

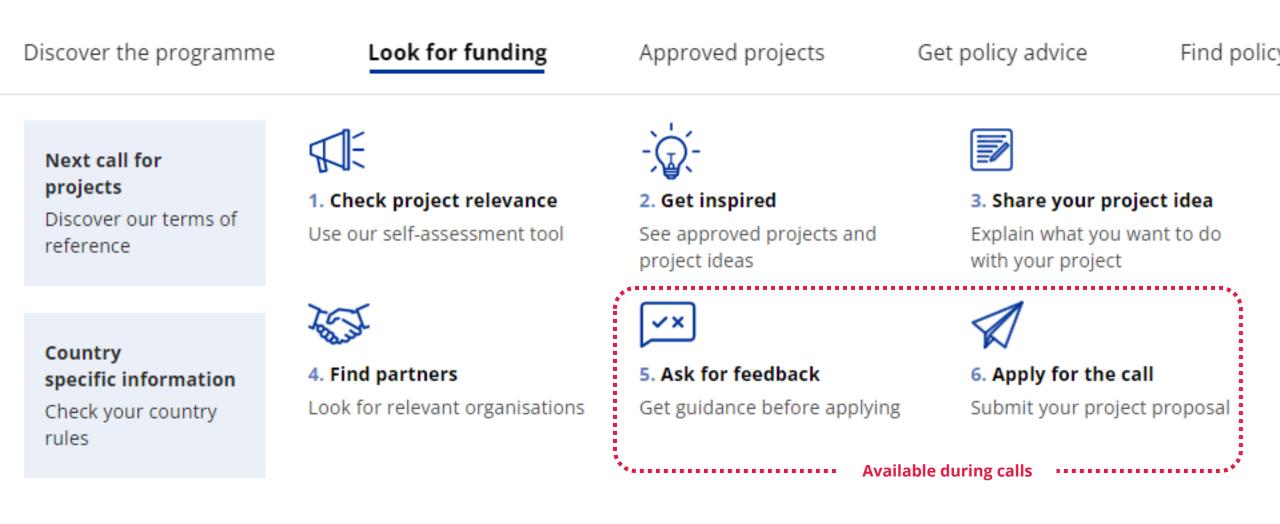
• **Q&A online sessions**: at 10 am on 24 Mar, 5 Apr, 21 Apr, 5 May, 17 May, and 2 Jun

Webinar series on project development:

Building a successful partnership on 24 April Designing project methodology on 25 April Management, budget and finances on 26 April Project communication on 27 April



Project development assistance during call



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Time for questions



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