

EU public consultation on INTERREG EUROPE

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The interregional cooperation programme 2014-2020, called 'INTERREG EUROPE', is currently being shaped. Your answers to [this questionnaire](#) will contribute to improving the shape of the future programme and ensuring its sound implementation. While not all questions are compulsory, we would appreciate you answering as many as possible. The consultation will run from 10 January until 21 March 2014. Please consult the Cooperation Programme draft and Environmental report before completing (available here: www.interreg4c.eu/programme/2014-2020).

NB. This is a pdf of the [online questionnaire](#) to allow respondents to prepare their answers for submission online.

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Identification

Please note that the responses to the survey will be treated anonymously. For statistical reasons, it is necessary to gather information on the types and location of stakeholders responding.

*Organisation name: ...

*Type of organisation:

- National public authority
- Regional public authority
- Local public authority
- Development Agency
- University, Knowledge / Research Institute, institute for higher education
- Education / Training Centre
- Business support actor / chamber of commerce
- Civil society structure (association/foundation)
- EU institution
- International organisation
- EGTC / European grouping
- Consultancy
- Other private sector
- Other, please specify:

*Sector of activity:

- Research, technological development and innovation
- SME and Entrepreneurship
- Low-carbon economy in all sectors
- Environmental protection and/or promotion of resource efficiency
- Other, please specify: ...

*Country: *NB: For European groupings, please refer to the location of the legal body acting on behalf of the whole territory*

- (30 Partner States, and 'other, please specify')

Region:

- (NUTS 2 level)

Have you been involved in an INTERREG IVC project?

- No
- Yes, please specify which one: ...

Programme Strategy

Section 1 of the draft Cooperation Programme describes the overall context and strategy of the programme. We would like to invite you to provide your feedback with regard to the following aspects:

1. The needs and challenges addressed by the INTERREG EUROPE programme as outlined in section 1.1.3 are:

	I agree	I partly agree	I disagree
Clear			
Relevant			
Complete			
Comments:			

2. The proposed strategy of the programme and its overall objective as outlined in section 1.1.4 are:

	I agree	I partly agree	I disagree
Clear			
Relevant			
Comments:			

Thematic priorities

Section 2 of the draft Cooperation Programme describes each of the specific (thematic) objectives of the programme in each of the four priority axes selected.

3. The specific objectives under "Research, Technological Development and Innovation" priority axis are:

	Relevant for interregional cooperation	Partly relevant for interregional cooperation	Not relevant for interregional cooperation
<i>Specific Objective 1.1 Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, in the field of research and innovation infrastructure and capacities</i>			
<i>Specific Objective 1.2 Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, that support the delivery of innovation by actors in regional innovation chains in areas of "smart specialisation" and innovation opportunity</i>			

Comments:

The specific objective under "Competitiveness of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises" priority axis is:

	Relevant for interregional cooperation	Partly relevant for interregional cooperation	Not relevant for interregional cooperation
<i>Specific Objective 2.1 Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, supporting SMEs in all stages of their life cycle to develop and achieve growth and engage in innovation</i>			

Comments:

The specific objective under "Low Carbon Economy" priority axis is:

	Relevant for interregional cooperation	Partly relevant for interregional cooperation	Not relevant for interregional cooperation
<i>Specific Objective 3.1 Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, addressing the transition to a low-carbon economy</i>			

Comments:

The specific objectives under "Environment and Resource Efficiency" priority axis are:

	Relevant for interregional cooperation	Partly relevant for interregional cooperation	Not relevant for interregional cooperation
<i>Specific Objective 4.1 Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, in the field of the protection and development of natural and cultural heritage</i>			
<i>Specific Objective 4.2 Improve the implementation of regional development policies and programmes, in particular programmes for Investment for Growth and Jobs and, where relevant, ETC programmes, aimed at increasing resource-efficiency, green growth and eco-innovation and environmental performance management</i>			

Comments:

Actions supported by the programme

Section 2 of the draft Cooperation Programme outlines two actions to be supported by INTERREG EUROPE, namely a) interregional cooperation projects and b) policy learning platforms.

4. Please rate the following statements

a) interregional cooperation projects

	I agree	I partly agree	I disagree
This type of action is relevant			
<i>Comments:</i>			
Its objectives are clear			
<i>Comments:</i>			
The indicative project activities are relevant			
<i>Comments:</i>			
A second project phase dedicated to monitoring the action plans is useful			
<i>Comments:</i>			
It is likely that these actions contribute to an improved implementation of Structural Funds programmes			
<i>Comments:</i>			

b) policy learning platforms

	I agree	I partly agree	I disagree
This type of action is relevant			
<i>Comments:</i>			
Its objectives are clear			
<i>Comments:</i>			
The indicative platform activities are relevant			
<i>Comments:</i>			
It is likely that these actions contribute to an improved implementation of Structural Funds programmes			
<i>Comments:</i>			

Please select the service(s) of the platforms which you find the most relevant:

- Disseminating innovative thematic approaches developed within European Structural and Investment Funds programmes
- Disseminating thematic policy recommendations
- Organising thematic peer reviews
- Organising thematic events to meet and exchange with European counterparts
- Providing thematic advice in relation to Structural and Investment Funds programmes implementation
- Other, please specify:

STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The assessment of the environmental effects of the INTERREG EUROPE programme is detailed in the separate Environmental Report.

5. The Environmental Report is:

	I agree	I partly agree	I disagree
Clear			
Complete			
<i>Comments:</i>			

6. *Do you have any objections to the draft Cooperation Programme and / or Environmental report?

- No
- Yes, please specify: [go to]
 - Draft Cooperation Programme:
 - Section 1. Strategy:
 - Section 2. Description of the priority axes:
 - Section 3. Financing plan of the cooperation programme:
 - Section 4. Integrated approach to territorial development:
 - Section 5. Implementation provisions for the cooperation programme:
 - Section 6. Coordination between funds:
 - Section 7. Reduction of administrative burden for beneficiaries:
 - Section 8. Horizontal principles:
 - Section 9. Separate elements:
 - Environmental report:
 - Chapter 1: Introduction:
 - Chapter 2: The 2014-2020 Interregional Cooperation Programme (INTERREG EUROPE):
 - Chapter 3: Environmental Objectives:
 - Chapter 4: Characteristics of the environment, status of the environment in case of non-implementation of the programme and existing environmental problems
 - Chapter 5: Potential significant impacts on the environment (positive/negative):
 - Chapter 6: Recommendations:
 - Chapter 7: Notes on problems in the compilation of required data and information:
 - Chapter 8: Proposed monitoring measures:

- Non-technical summary:

7. Do you plan to be involved in an interregional cooperation project?

- No
- Yes, please specify on which topic:
 - Research and innovation infrastructure and capacities
 - “Smart specialisation” and innovation opportunity
 - Supporting SMEs in all stages of their life cycle to develop and achieve growth and engage in innovation
 - Transition to a low-carbon economy
 - Protection and development of natural and cultural heritage
 - Increasing resource-efficiency, green growth and eco-innovation and environmental performance management

8. Do you intend to use the planned services of the policy learning platforms?

- No
- Yes, please specify on which topic:
 - Research, Technological Development and Innovation
 - Competitiveness of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises
 - Low Carbon Economy
 - Environment and Resource Efficiency

9. Do you have any further remarks on the INTERREG EUROPE draft programme?

10. Should you wish to be kept informed of the outcome of the consultation, you can provide contact details below.

Name: ...

Surname: ...

Email: ...

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Thank you for completing our consultation. If you have provided your email address, you will receive a summary of the consultation process. Follow the latest developments of INTERREG EUROPE on our website: www.interreg4c.eu/programme/2014-2020