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# On interregional cooperation - from now on

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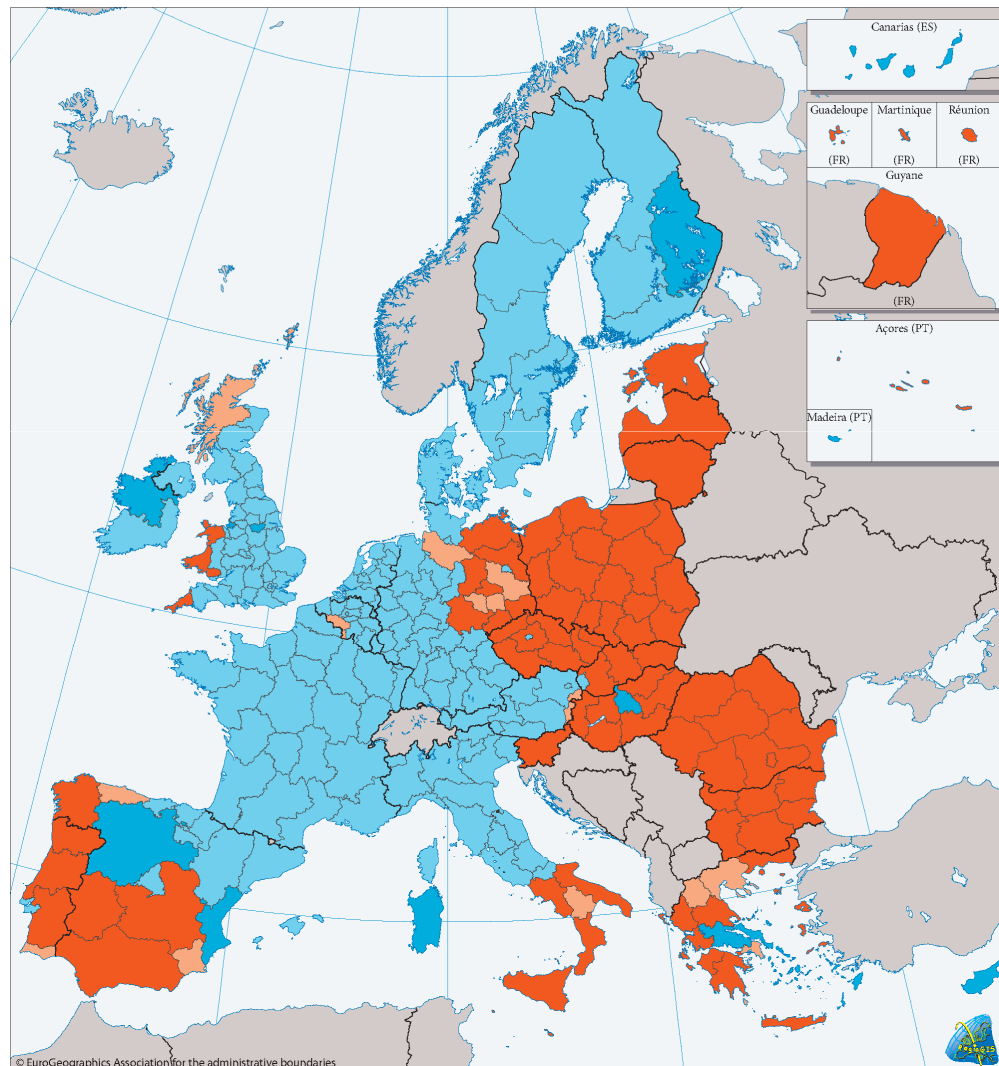
1. Programme context
2. Programme state of play
3. Results and achievements
4. Future of interregional cooperation



## EU Cohesion and Regional Policy

*Reducing disparities*

-  Convergence Regions
-  Phasing-out Regions
-  Phasing-in Regions
-  Competitiveness and Employment Regions



## EU Cohesion and Regional Policy

REGIONAL / NATIONAL PROGRAMMES

2007-2013

**Objective 1:**  
Convergence

**81.54%**  
**€ 282.8 billion**

**Objective 2:**  
Regional Competitiveness and  
Employment

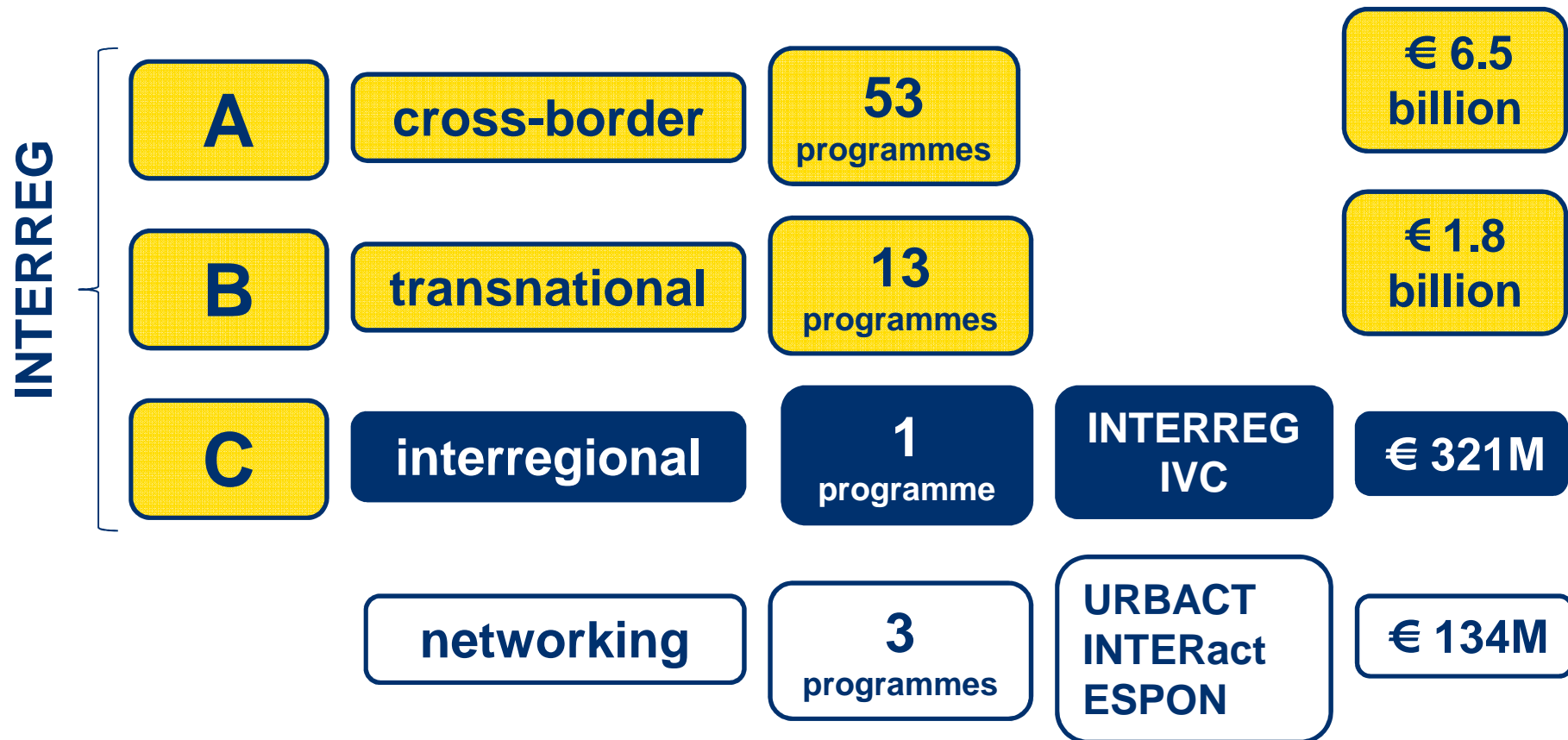
**15.95%**  
**€ 55 billion**

**Objective 3:**  
European Territorial Cooperation

**2.52%**  
**€ 8.7 billion**

## Objective 3: European Territorial Cooperation

**INTERREG:** 3 strands and 67 different programmes



## INTERREG IVC Overall Objective

Improve  
**the effectiveness of regional development policies**  
by  
matching less experienced and more advanced regions  
enabling **exchange of experiences** and knowledge  
in the fields of

**Innovation and the  
knowledge economy**

**Environment and risk  
prevention**

## INTERREG IVC Main Features

### Eligible area:

- EU 27
- Switzerland & Norway

**ERDF funding: € 302 m**

### 2 priorities

- Innovation & knowledge economy
- Environment & risk prevention

### 2 types of interventions

- Regional Initiative Project
- Capitalisation Project

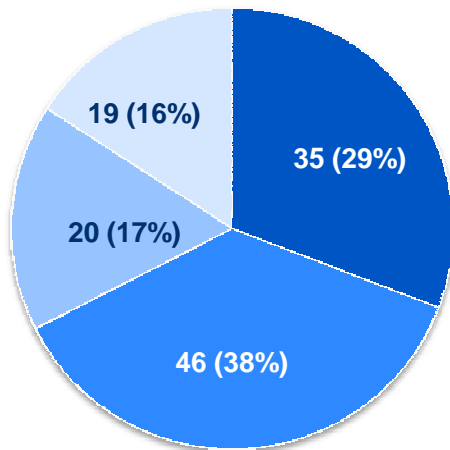


# Approved Projects 2007-2013

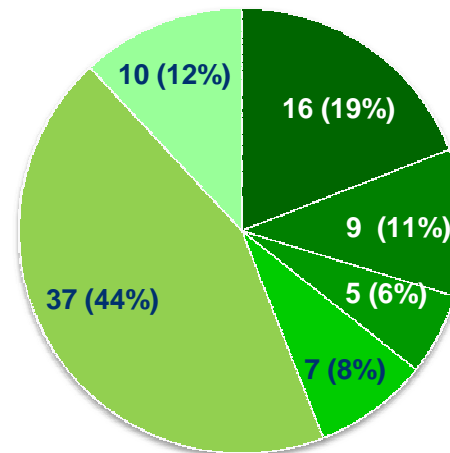
**204**  
projects

**2 276**  
partners

**ALL funds (302 M€) committed**



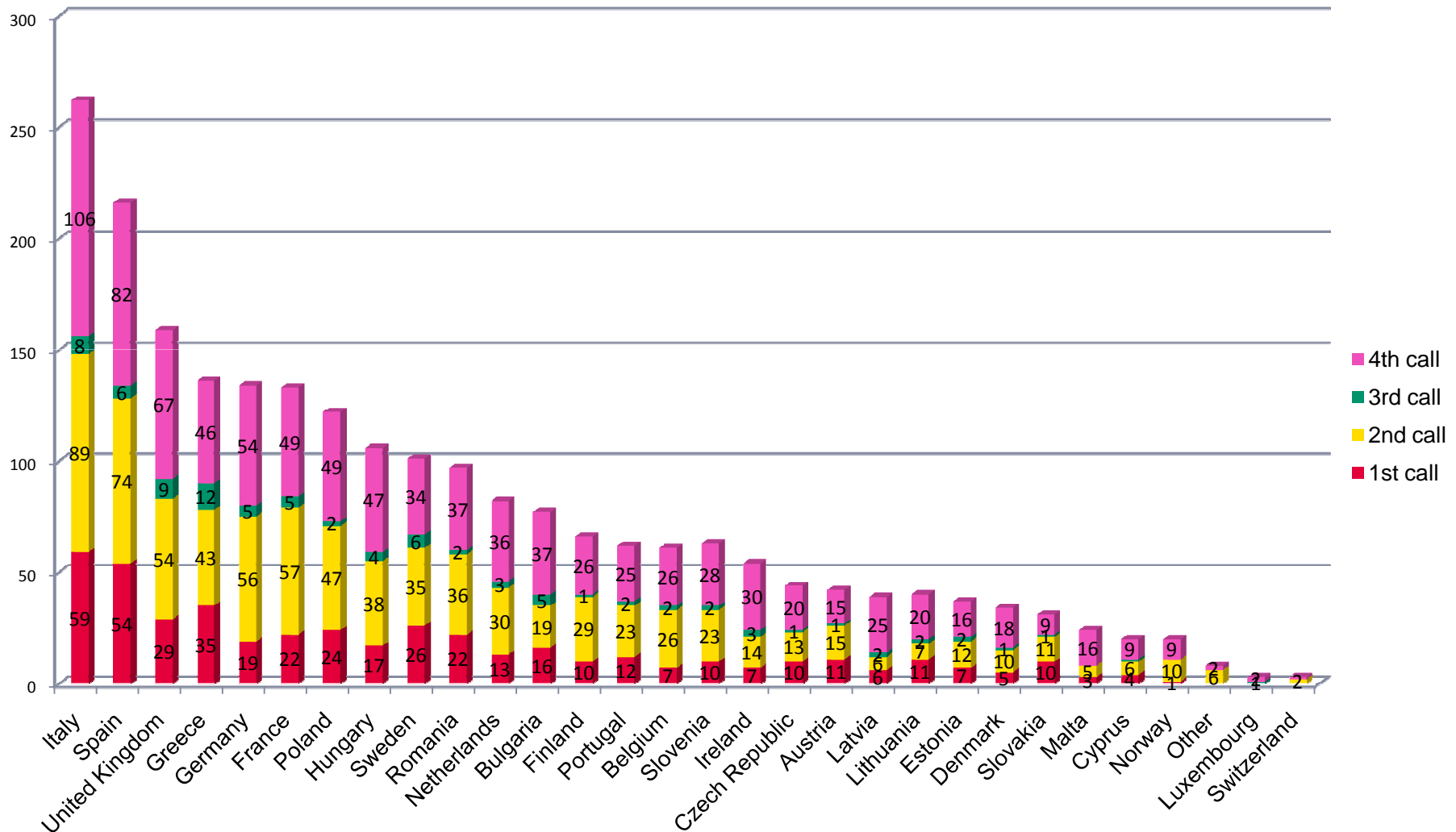
- Innovation, research and technology development
- Entrepreneurship and SMEs
- Information Society
- Employment, human capital and education



- Natural and technological risks
- Water management
- Waste management
- Biodiversity and preservation of natural heritage
- Energy and sustainable transport
- Cultural heritage and landscape



# Project partners per country



# Projects on Healthcare/ Telemedicine

(apart from RTF)

### ■ PEOPLE

- *Employment, human capital and education*
- RIP / 7 partners from ES (lead), IT, UK, NL, SE, PL & RO
- Sub-project **TCares** - to encourage and improve the take up of Telecare systems in the context of an ageing Europe

### ■ DART

- *Employment, human capital and education*
- RIP / 13 partners from DE (lead), IE, NL, FI, ES, IT, AT, CZ, SI, PL & RO
- To benchmark, identify and transfer appropriate solutions for dealing with demographic change (Health Care & Social Services one subject area)

### ■ IMMODI

- *Information Society*
- CAP / 10 partners from IT (lead), ES, BG, SE, FI, FR & DE
- Addresses the access and development of e-government and e-health services in mountainous and rural regions and territories of the EU

### ■ DLA

- *Information Society*
- RIP / 11 partners from PT (lead), ES, IT, EL, LV, EE, HU, DE & IE
- Addresses the adoption of Information and Communication Technologies tools in day-to-day practices of public administrations (e-health incl.)

### ■ CASA

- *Information Society*
- RIP / 13 partners from BE (lead), NL, UK, SE, DK, ES, IT, RO & PL
- To search for joint-up solutions for the deployment of assistive living solutions

### ■ Health4Growth

- *Entrepreneurship and SMEs*
- RIP / 11 partners from HU (lead), SI, BG, BE, NL, PT, IT & LV
- To improve the operational environment of local economic players within the health sector



# Programme Capitalisation

To better **exploit projects results** for the benefit of local and regional authorities in Europe

Experienced thematic experts will analyse the projects in order to

- identify synergies & complementarities
- discover innovative approaches & make them available to all EU regions
- draw policy recommendations for national & EU levels

# 12 capitalisation topics

## 106 projects

### Priority 1

1. Innovation capacity of SMEs – 8
2. Innovation Systems – 9  
(triple helix & open innovation)
3. Eco-innovation – 7
4. Creative industries – 10
5. Entrepreneurship – 9
6. E-government services – 6
- 7. Demographic change – 9**
8. Rural development – 8

### Priority 2

1. Climate change – 7
2. Energy efficiency – 13
3. Renewable energy – 6
4. Sustainable public transport – 14

# Timeline of implementation

Date	Activity
April – June 2010	Experiment in programme capitalisation in sub-theme: “Innovation, research and technology development”
June 2011	MC decision for thematic programme capitalisation
March - June 2012	Selection and contracting of external topic experts
July 2012	Briefing of external topic experts & start of data collection
October - November 2012	Thematic workshops with projects
Spring 2013	Annual topic reports/ publication/ presentations

## Good practices transferred

**2,675** good practices identified



**110** successfully transferred

*(Data up to 30/06/2011)*



## E-Health Example – Information Society

### Practice:

Remote monitoring of implantable devices of patients with CVD and a clinical study

**From:**  
Veneto Region (IT)



**To:**  
Region of Southern Denmark (DK)

### Practice:

Video transmissions for telemedicine services within diabetes

**From:**  
University Hospital of North Norway (NO)



**To:**  
Norrbotten Region (SE)



Already **102** national/ regional/ local policies improved:

#### Priority 1

**67** policies improved

#### Priority 2

**35** policies improved

Programme overall objective:  
***“Improvement of regional and local policies”***



### Examples of policy improvement

*Sub-theme: Information Society*

Project: RTF

Partner concerned: NHS 24 Scotland (UK)

Policy improved: NHS 24 deployment programme for home based solutions to support patients with long term conditions and the frail and vulnerable elderly after sharing information with Catalonia and South Denmark.



# Framework for the future: the EU2020 strategy

### 3 priorities

### 7 « flagship » initiatives

#### Smart growth

Innovation Union  
Youth on the move  
**A digital Agenda for Europe**

#### Sustainable growth

Resource efficient Europe  
An Industrial Policy for the globalisation area

#### Inclusive growth

An agenda for new skills and jobs  
European Platform against poverty

### 11 'thematic objectives' / 'investment priorities'

in the general and ERDF draft regulations

### Draft Regulation for ETC 2014-2020

- Link to cohesion policy reinforced
  - Goal to transfer good practices into operational programmes = mainstreaming
  - Result orientation = action plans
- Emphasis on capacity building
  - Relevance of the current thematic programme capitalisation exercise
- Regions of Knowledge
  - Interregional cooperation to foster cooperation between innovative research-intensive clusters

# Interregional Cooperation Objective 2014-2020

- Target
  - Improvement of policies likely to remain
  - Question of focus (Regional Development vs. Goal 1)
- Means
  - Soft cooperation likely to remain
    - Exchange of experience
  - Question of intensity (RIP/ CAP/ Mini-programmes)
  - Capitalisation – which level (project/ programme/ beyond)
- Themes
  - Up to 11 thematic objectives to select from

### Three options for 2014-2020 programme

#### A/ Improved integrated programme (IVC-like)

No revolution

INTERREG philosophy kept (based on projects)

#### B/ Support programme to Regional Operational Programmes (ROPs)

A fundamental change

Idea of strategic learning platforms

#### C/ Combination of A and B

**Thank you for your attention!**