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Partnership in action: The example of DRP

The partnership principle and its application in INTERREG

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Partnership Principle in the DRP

General framework

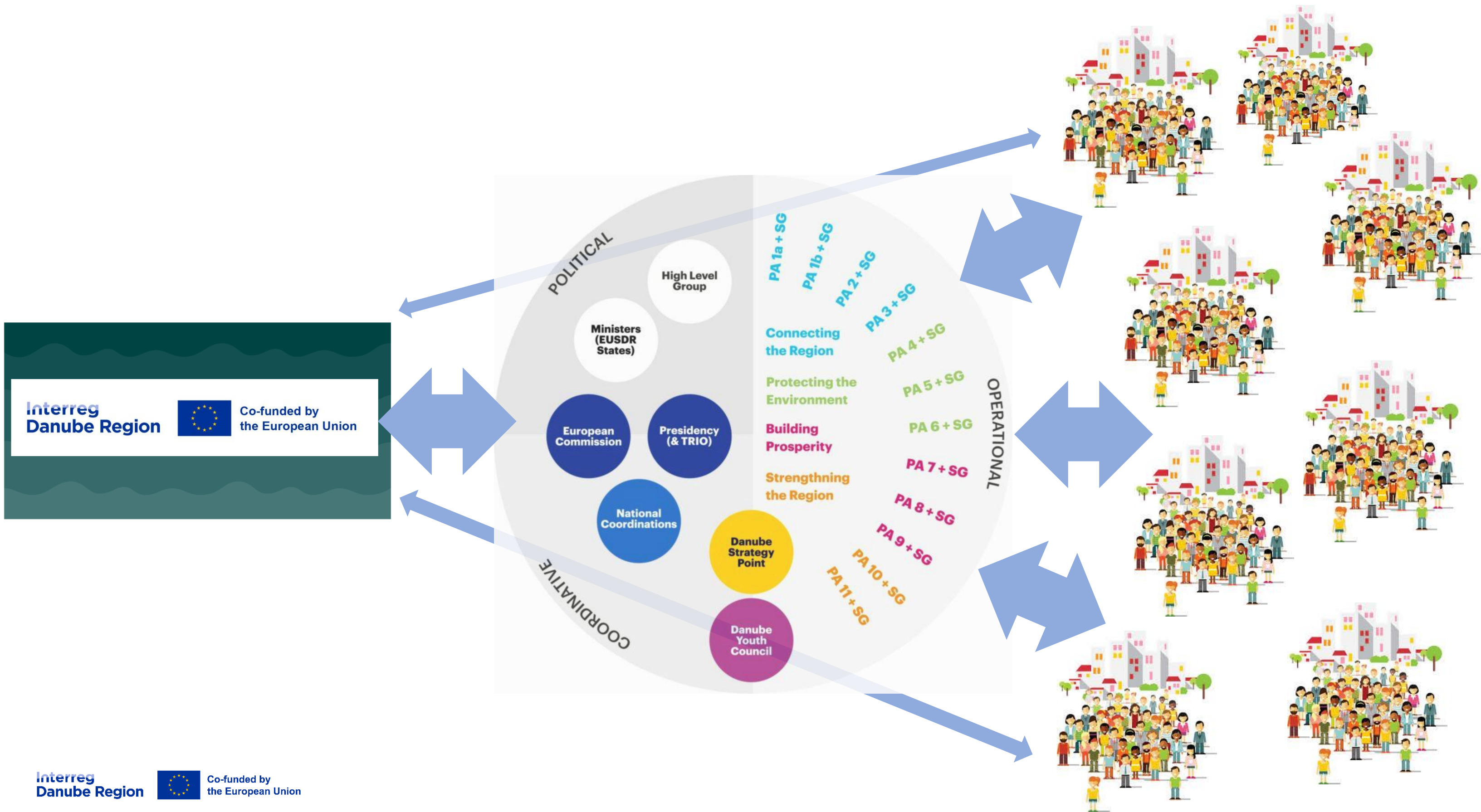
- Extensive inclusion of stakeholders in the programming process (+implementation, evaluation) through „regular“, DRP-driven measures
- MC and national MC representatives linked to national/regional (Coordination) Committees
- **ISO1: Direct linkages and intense interaction between DRP and EUSDR and related stakeholder communities**

Partnership Principle in the DRP

under ISO1

- DRP MC
 - EUSDR National Coordinators can be nominated as MC members
 - Danube Strategy Point with observer status
- Three direct support measures of DRP to EUSDR
 - Direct support of Priority Area Coordinators
 - Direct support of Danube Strategy Point
 - Seed Money Facility
- Continuous interaction between DRP and EUSDR on all levels and around all core-processes

Deepening Partnership Principle under ISO1



Partnership Principle under ISO1

Main Lessons learned

- Overall/Programme level: Clearly increased vertical and horizontal inclusion of stakeholders within ISO1 framework, esp. regarding MRS/EUSDR support
- Country level: Rather wide spread in stakeholder inclusion accross DRP-countries due to general state organization and administrative traditions
- Challenges: managing complexity, maintaining efficiency, ensuring legitimacy